

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

The Vision of First Church is to be an inclusive, deeply relational community inviting all people to experience God's presence today.

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE—WE STRIVE FOR IT.

In the spirit of Jesus Christ, First United Methodist Church of Fort Collins commits to offering a community in which persons of diverse age, color, culture, sexual orientation and gender identity, economic status, and physical or mental ability are all welcomed and affirmed. To all who have known pain of exclusion or discrimination from church or in society, we seek forgiveness and offer a place of respite and welcome.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR CHURCH and would like more information, please ask one of our greeters or ushers or visit the **Welcome Center**. They can direct you to classrooms, nursery, restrooms, food, and fellowship, as well as introduce you to our staff. We would be honored to get to know you better and learn about your life and spiritual needs. Our community may not know you yet, but we already love you and hope you will make this your spiritual home. Thank you for joining us today, and God bless you!

WEEKLY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES—9:45 A.M.

Please sign your children in at the Children's Ministries check-in desk, south entrance, before the 9:30 a.m. worship service begins. Children join their parents/guardians for worship in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of Children's Time. Then, parents of preschoolers escort their children to Room 121, and children grades K-5 meet outside the Sanctuary. The teachers will escort elementary children to their classrooms.

Parents, please pick your children up from their designated location following the service.



SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH GROUP: If you are a teen, we have something for YOU! Youth (grades 6-12) are welcome to participate in our Sunday Morning Youth Group that happens at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. Join our Youth Director and leaders in the Youth basement for a time of fellowship and spiritual growth that are fun and relevant to students!

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT GROUPS—Please join us.

9:30 a.m. Samaritan Class—Parlor; Serendipity Class—Village Commons; Upper Room Class—Upper Room (Room 235)
11:00 a.m. Open Hearts Class—Village Commons

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please stand as you are able

Gathering Music *Christ Arose* arr. Camp Kirkland
 First Church Instrumental Ensemble

Thine Is the Glory Karl Osterland

Welcome Dr. Melanie Rosa

Introit *Hallelujah Amen from Judas Maccabeus* G.F. Handel
 Sanctuary Choir

*Call to Worship 9:30 Mike Kohler
 11:00 Sandy Merriweather

*Hymn of Praise *Christ the Lord Has Risen Today* UMH #302
(verses 1-4)

Chorus (9:30) *Up from the Grave He Arose* UMH #322
(chorus only)

Children's Message Barb Grauberger

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(chorus only)

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Anthem *Christ the Lord Has Risen Today* arr. Bish
 Sanctuary Choir

Offering Our Gifts to God

Ways to give to First Church:

1. Give online at <https://fcfumc.net/> or on the First UMC App (Click on Give).
2. Text to give 1 800 364 GIVE (4483) (Text Message FirstChurch).
3. Automatic draft through online giving.
4. Check or cash
 (Every loose \$1 bill goes to those in need).

Offertory *Easter Celebration* arr. Camp Kirkland
 First Church Instrumental Ensemble

*Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

Scripture John 20:1-18 9:30 Mike Kohler
 11:00 Sandy Merriweather

Sermon "Foolish Faith" Dr. Melanie Rosa

*Hymn of Dedication *Thine Be the Glory* UMH #308

*Choral Benediction *Hallelujah Chorus* G. F. Handel
 Sanctuary Choir

*Benediction Dr. Melanie Rosa

Postlude *Toccata from Symphony V* Charles-Marie Widor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAITH FORMATION

RETREAT: A SMALL GROUP FOR PRACTICAL SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Rev. Cynthia will be starting a small group for people who would like to be on a practical spiritual formation journey together. We will be learning about spiritual disciplines, practicing the spiritual disciplines, and growing together. There will be two groups that will meet weekly on Mondays: in person at noon and on zoom at 7 PM for an hour starting May 2. Interested? Please sign up using the form below: <https://docs.google.com/forms/1Z9Q6Jtn14mlbWKTvjNG66vHICXkGtR2Q0KPkKbTcbkw/edit> or email c.paquette@fcfumc.net. To start a group, we need 10 people to sign up.



REGISTER NOW FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! The theme is Food Truck Party-on a roll with God! June 6th-10th from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Sign up prior to May 8th for early bird pricing and a guaranteed spot. <https://first-united-methodist-fort-collins.mycokesburyvbs.com/>



ESTATE PLANNING PRESENTATION—May 1, 2022

Do you have a Will? Has your Will been reviewed or updated recently? Have you talked openly with family and loved ones about your plans? Please join us on May 1st at 12 P.M. in the Parlor for a free presentation on estate planning where attorneys Kathryn Lonowski and Mike Samelson will discuss the things everyone should know, regardless of your age. Lunch will be provided.

TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH

USHERS 9:30 a.m. Bob Pawlikowski, Blake Barkoskie, Jeff and Sarah Johnson, Dave Rubenthaler, Kristen Roberts, Randie Bell
11:00 a.m. Don Silar, Martha and Dale Conant

WE CARE ABOUT YOUR HEALTH: Wearing a face mask at FUMC is now at your discretion.



EASTER SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Please enjoy **Easter cookies, donuts, healthy snacks, and beverages** in the **Fellowship Hall** from **10:30 to 11:15 A.M.**



A RECOGNITION FOR 20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Please join us on **April 24**, for a cake reception in the Fellowship Hall to thank, honor, and recognize **HENRY REYNA**, our **FACILITIES MANAGER** for **20 years of service at First Church...** and to many more!

OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 18th, to provide our staff with a well-deserved day of rest.



Coming Next Week: April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

Risking the Trust, Trusting the Risk

John 20:19-31: Acts 5:27-32

FLOWER DONATIONS

David Adkins
David Adkins and Greg O'Barr
Elizabeth Adams
Elva Alden
Emily, Alex, Lincoln and Raymond Anderson
Kristin Andreen

Jane and Darwin Bacon
Dean and Susan Block
Judith and Heather Christie and Wenona Arndt
Mary Cochran

Dale and Martha Conant
Connie Dedon
Janet Shupe Delaney
Davin Ricketts Dirroux
Mary and Chuck Evans

Mike and Marla Foley

Ellie and Rebecca Gilmore

Dennis and Diana Grant

Margaret and George Janson
Cliff and Vera Kahl
Erleen Keating and Family
Lynne Klingelsmith
Gordon and Karen Knuckey
Mary Martz
Pam Metzger
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Andrea Naylor
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Karrie Patterson
Whitney Pennington and Josh Keller

Jill Phipps
Ruth Potter

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The Raab Family
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The Rohla Family
Cynthia Ross-Bell

Maurine and Jan Sanford
Ted and Linda Schlagenhaut

Janet Shupe
Steve Spelts

Tracy and Mark Swanson
Brian and Gail Wells

Joe and Beverly Winsett

In honor of Joel Bacon
In honor of Melanie Rosa, and in memory of our grandparents
In honor of Pat Francisco
In honor of the prayer shawl ministry
In memory of Ernest Martz

In memory of Buck and Joyce Roebuck
In memory of Jane and Wayne Batty
In honor of Dr. Melanie Rosa
In memory of our parents
In memory of Bruce Christie

In memory of Bobby Cochran, Marshall and Coleen Cochran, Doug Cochran, Helen Waskovich and Anna Waskovich

In memory of our parents
In memory of Dedon & Garrett Family
In memory of my husband, Steve
In memory of Mel and Mae Bailey
In memory of Jessie and Vincent Evans and Crystal Andre Johnson; In honor of our Grandchildren, Nikita and Heidi Andre and Everett and Finley Neubaum
In memory of our parents: The Foleys and the The Heimsoshs

In memory of Wanda Winecoff and Ruth Groh and in honor of Kathleen Johnson and Darlene Mae Miller
In memory of Dale and Daphne Kimbell, Dori Grant and Nerijus Poskus, Daphne Urban and Family

In memory of our parents
In memory of Cliff's brother, Keith Kahl
In memory of Terry Keating
In memory of my father, Robert Blandy
In memory of our loved ones
In memory of Ernest Roy Martz
In memory of my parents
In memory of Melanie Sue and Dylan Fuller Myers

In honor of our son, Austin
In honor of Elizabeth Edgerton
In honor of Craig Shuler, Joan Richard, Janet Shupe, Susan Massa, Karen Waldron and Mary Ann Kertula
In honor of Larry and Beverly Patterson
In honor of Dee Pennington; In memory of Maddie Duffey; In memory of Pedger and Emily Parker

In memory of Ken Gallaway
In honor of Melanie Rosa; In memory of Eric David Potter and Anna Kylen
In memory of Mel and Mae Bailey, Taylor Blair Pull and Tim Ricketts

In honor of Helen and Sam
In memory of Roy Rohla
In memory of our mothers—Joan M. Kern and Maxine Stryker Ross

In memory of Mary Duncan and James Sanford
In memory of our parents
In memory of Sally and Peggy Daniels and in honor of our grandchildren
In memory of my parents
In honor of Sydney and Agnes Spelts; Elizabeth Edgerton

In honor of and in memory of our parents
In memory of our parents, Charles and Kathryn Wells and John and Joann Westberg
In memory of our parents

FIRST United Methodist CHURCH

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Easter Sunday

April 17, 2022



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Sunday Worship Services are at 9:30 and 11:00. There are many opportunities for spiritual growth and connection for all ages.

Thank you for joining us today!