

# 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	<i>Awake, My Heart with Gladness</i>	Wayne Wold
Welcome		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Prelude	<i>Prelude on “Easter Hymn”</i>	John Ferguson
*Call to Worship		9:30 John Allum 11:00 Rick Norton
*Hymn of Praise	<i>Easter People Raise Your Voices</i>	UMH #304
Chorus (9:30)	<i>Up from the Grave He Arose (chorus only)</i>	UMH #322
Children’s Message		Barb Grauberger
Chorus (9:30)	<i>Up from the Grave He Arose (chorus only)</i>	UMH #322
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Anthem	<i>My Heart Ever Faithful</i> Dr. Dawn Grapes, <i>flute</i>	J. S. Bach/arr. Jack Schrader
Scripture	John 20:19-31	9:30 John Allum 11:00 Rick Norton
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).

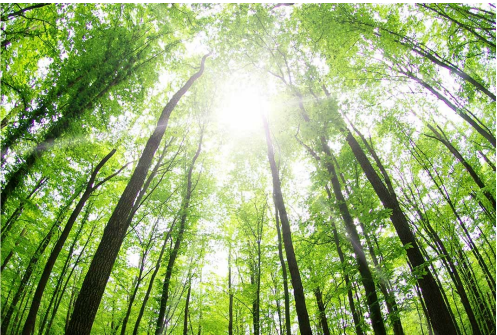
Offertory	<i>O God Beyond all Praising</i>	G. Holst/arr. Mark Albrecht
	Dr. Dawn Grapes, <i>flute</i>	
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH #94
Scripture	Acts 5:27-32	9:30 John Allum 11:00 Rick Norton
Sermon	“Risking the Trust, Trusting the Risk”	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
*Hymn of Dedication	<i>Now the Green Blade Riseth</i>	UMH #311
*Benediction		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Postlude	<i>Toccata on “O Sons and Daughters”</i>	Lynnwood Farnam

# 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//1Z9Q6JTnl4mIbWKTVjNG66vHiCXkGtR2Q0K\\_PpKbTcbkw/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms//1Z9Q6JTnl4mIbWKTVjNG66vHiCXkGtR2Q0K_PpKbTcbkw/edit) or email [c.paquette@fcfumc.net](mailto: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 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Sign up prior to May 8<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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. Joy Wintersteen, Sarah Johnson, Kathryn Lonowski  
11:00 a.m. Pam Metzger, Susan Leinhart

**9:30 WORSHIP CARE TEAM MEMBER:** Donna Newkirk

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers are given in memory of Marshall Carl Petring, who would have celebrated his 92nd birthday today. Gone but not forgotten. Elva and family

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



### A RECOGNITION FOR 20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Please join us **today** 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!



### CONCORDIA HANDBELL CHOIR TO RING AT FUMC May 10 – 7:00 PM

The Concordia Handbell Choir is on tour this spring and will be presenting a concert at First Church on May 10 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. If you could help by providing overnight housing for 2 (or more) of these college students please email David Adkins at [choirdir@fcfumc.net](mailto:choirdir@fcfumc.net). There are a total of 25 students, and providing overnight stays for the students in homes saves considerably on the expenses of their tour. They are an outstanding choir that will present a concert of varied music that will be fun and entertaining for all ages. Please plan to attend, and if you can help by providing housing for a minimum of two students, please let David Adkins know. Thank you!

### MISSIONS

#### PUTNAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- **April 29** Read with a Loved One and Donuts with the Principal 8:50-9:45.
- **May 3** Teacher Appreciation smoothie-making and delivery with the school secretary 8-10AM. Please contact Janet Krech [ajkrech@msn.com](mailto:ajkrech@msn.com), 9702250330, to volunteer.



## OUR CHURCH STAFF

### Pastors

**Dr. Melanie Rosa**, *Lead Pastor*

**Rev. Cynthia Paquette**, *Executive Pastor*

### Music Staff

**David Adkins**, *Director of Music Ministries & Communications*

**Dr. Joel Bacon**, *Organist/Artist in Residence*

**Brenna Martin**, *Children's Choir Coordinator*

**Abigale Gilson**, *Children's Choir Director*

**Karen Stooddy**, *Organist Emeritus*

### Program Staff

**Barb Grauberger**, *Director of Children and Family Ministries*

**Victoria Burkett**, *Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries*

**David Reid**, *Community Builder*

**Laurie Elliott**, *Childcare Coordinator & Interim Pre-School Director*

**Liza Judd-Salimbeni**, *Kids' Closet Coordinator*

**Gail Farnum**, *Director of Parent's Day Out*

### Administrative and Facilities Staff

**Jim Doser**, *Worship Technology Lead*

**Nathan Abrahamson**, *Worship Technology Assistant*

**Shelley Nelson**, *Administrative & Communications Assistant*

**Shauna Bjork**, *Accountant*

**Julie Iven**, *Financial Secretary*

**Gail Wells**, *Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator*

**Henry Reyna**, *Facilities Manager*

**Max Reyes**, *Custodian*

**Michael Shestak**, *Custodian, Sunday Hospitality Coordinator*



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## Second Sunday of Easter April 24, 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.

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