### 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 rise as you are able.

Gathering Music Processional on Martin Shaw "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Welcome Rev. Bradley Laurvick Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Prelude Voluntary in D Edward Elgar

\*Call to Worship 9:30 Mike Kohler 11:00 Kelly McBartlett

Hymn of Praise Praise to the Lord, the Almighty UMH #139

(vs. 1 & 2)

Chorus (9:30) Where Children Belong TFWS #2233

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism Lindsay Waldron & Blakely Marie Waldron

Children's Message Barb Grauberger

Chorus (9:30) Where Children Belong TFWS #2233

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Anthem Psalm 46 John Ness Beck

Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Colossians 3:15-17

Sermon Growing in Gratitude

Offering Our Gifts to God

### **Giving to God through First Church:**

- 1. Give online at fcfumc.net or on the First UMC App.
- 2. Check or cash.
- 3. Offering your time, talents, gifts, service and witness.

Offertory Lord of the Dance arr. Joel Raney

David Adkins, piano and Dr. Joel Bacon, organ

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

Sending Prayer

\*Hymn of Dedication The Summons TFWS #2130

\*Benediction

Postlude Toccata in D Minor J. S. Bach

David Adkins, organ

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## MEORIANT

# PLEASE CHECK YOUR CONTACT INFO FOR NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

In an effort to have the most current information in our new directory, we are asking people to check what we have on file regarding name, address, phone number - landline and/or cell email address(es), and children still living at home. Please look at the printed listing at the Welcome Center when you are at the church building and make changes by **NOVEMBER 13**. Please DO NOT make changes to other people's information. If you have changed your contact info in the last three years, please email Gail Wells at membership@fcfumc.net or call 970.482.2436, Ext 111 to make changes.

### **MISSIONS**



### Pine Ridge Experience Turkey Time 2022 Scheduled for December 8-10

If you are looking for a rewarding experience during the holidays, then consider joining us on a trip to Pine Ridge Reservation, SD, where we will serve 150 turkey dinners and get to know our Native American brothers and sisters. We will carpool to the site and stay in the dorms at the Reconciliation Center, where we will learn about some of their history.

Consider joining us for this opportunity! Sign up today in the Mission Corner. For more information, please contact Elaine Karns at (970) 225-6720.

## First Name QR codes below) Regular Attender and drop in offering plate OR Scan appropriate **FIRST CHURCH CONNECTION CARD** Please contact me about membership Returning Guest 9:30 | 11:00 | Last Name am a First Time Guest let me know about volunteer opportunities email list weekly "First Wire" add me to the Please Please Prayer Phone Email Date

### **TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH**

**USHERS:** 9:30 a.m. Karen Kiser, Josh Keller, Whitney Pennington

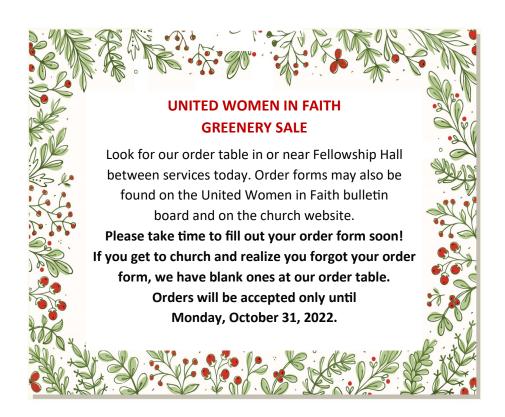
11:00 a.m. Eric Wilkinson, Daphne Bear

9:30 WORSHIP CARE TEAM MEMBER: Robert Kiser

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Today's altar flowers are given by Norma Cowell, in memory of John Staples.

**TRUNK OR TREAT** is being held in the parking lot from 3:30—4:30 p.m.

CHILI COOK-OFF will be held in Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m.



# Holiday Courageous Conversations Discussion

Sunday, November 13, 2022, 12:15pm - 1:30pm (lunch included)
First United Methodist Church, Fort Collins, in the Parlor

Holidays can be challenging when we gather with family and friends who differ in political opinions and personal beliefs. In his work with us this year, **Dr. Allen Hilton** helped us think about having Courageous Conversations in a polarized world. Please join us at **12:15pm** on **Sunday, November 13** to practice having these difficult conversations with family and friends. Everyone is welcome whether or not you attended the Courageous Conversations Workshop. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall after the 9:30 worship service.

Please register by Thursday 11/10 to guarantee lunch.

Questions or concerns? Contact Lisa Fenton Free: <a href="mailto:fentonfreelisa@gmail.com">fentonfreelisa@gmail.com</a>.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Philips Stoppford

Conducting his new extended work

Missa Deus Nobiscum (Mass for the People)

for Chorus and Orchestra

Featuring the choirs of First United Methodist Church and St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Fort Collins

with members of the Fort Collins Symphony Orchestra and solo works by guest organist Dr. Joel Bacon

Sunday, November 13
3:00 p.m.
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
2000 Stover Street, Fort Collins, CO 80524

For more information: stlukesfc.org fcfumc.net

Coming Next Week: November 6, 2022

"Together as a Team"

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a



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### October 30, 2022

You are most welcome at First Church.

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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!