

TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH

USHERS: 9:30 a.m. Jerry Wiese, Dave Rubenthaler, Kristen Roberts
11:00 a.m. Eric Wilkinson, Dennis Bode

9:30 WORSHIP CARE TEAM MEMBER: Susan Massa

GRATEFUL TOGETHER COMMITMENT SUNDAY: Today we dedicate our estimate of giving cards and celebrate God's bounty and provision by eating pie together. Join us in Fellowship Hall between services.

Advent Studies

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Christmas Stories: Celebrating, Questioning & Explaining the Biblical Narratives. This online asynchronous class is hosted by Homebrewed Christianity and will feature four virtual lectures with Dr. John Dominic Crossan. At your own pace, follow his book *The First Christmas: What the Gospels Really Teach About Jesus' Birth*. The first streamed session is **Nov. 28, 12:00 noon MST**. Sign up and find more information at <http://crossanthroughadvent.com>.

God is in the Manger: Reflections on Advent and Christmas.

Ross Loomis and Rev. Mark Lee will lead a 4-week study of *God is in the Manger: Reflections on Advent and Christmas* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The study will meet Wednesday afternoons from **1:00-2:00 pm** in-person on **11/30, 12/7, 12/14, and 12/21** in the Village Commons. Sign up during Sunday fellowship hour in November or by emailing Rev. Mark Lee at AFDL@fcfmc.net.

Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist.

Sandy Merriweather will lead a 4-week study of *Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist* by Rev. Adam Hamilton. The study will meet Wednesday evenings from **6:30-7:30 pm** MT via Zoom on **11/30, 12/7, 12/14, and 12/21**. Sign up during Sunday fellowship hour in November or by emailing Rev. Mark Lee at AFDL@fcfmc.net.

FAITH FORMATION

ADVENT WORKSHOP

December 4th from 2:30 -4:30 pm

What is it? Children & families create a variety of take-home Advent crafts, enjoy Christmas treats, drink hot drinks and listen to music. This event is a long-standing tradition for the children of our church, put on by the First Church community.

If you have never attended this event, it is something you will not want to miss! If you are interested in being a crafter, we need lots of volunteers. If you have never hosted a craft table, it is so much fun. If you are not crafty, we can provide a craft for you. Interested? Sign up here to host a craft table.



WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

9:30 SERVICE



Max & Sandy
Beavers

June & Bob
Bjercke

Nancy
Bryan

Tom & Karen
Guter

Rynell
Mather

9:30 SERVICE

11:00 SERVICE



Tim & Kathy
Neal

Cindy
Starck

Mark & Cindy
Yergler

Lisa
Carlson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISCOVER YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Spiritual gifts are attributes given to Christian believers for the building up of the whole body of Christ. We all have a mixture of gifts that work together and give each of us a unique way to contribute to ministry. Please use



this QR code or <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/spiritual-gifts-inventory/en> to take the Spiritual Gifts Inventory to discover the spiritual gifts that God is calling you to share at this time. If you would like to know how you can best share your gifts at First Church and beyond, please email Rev. Cynthia (c.paquette@fcfmc.net) to chat. Let us know in your 2023 Commitment form how you will share your gifts.



Coming Next Week: November 27, 2022

Ringling, Singing on Our Way

Isaiah 2:1-5



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November 20, 2022

You are most welcome at First Church.

We are a fully inclusive, deeply relational community inviting all people to experience God's presence today.

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!