

4. Thou reign-est in glo-ry; thou dwell-est in light; thine
 an-gels a-dore thee, all veil-ing their sight; all
 laud we would ren-der: O help us to see 'tis
 on-ly the splen-dor of light hid-eth thee.

***SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE
 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" Wayne Wold

Welcome

Today is Sunday, July 30, 2017

- 8:15 am Toddler Nursery Opens
- 8:30 & 10:50 am **Worship Service, the Sanctuary**
- 9:15 am Community Supported Agriculture (CSA), North Outdoor Courtyard
- 9:15 am Social Time, the Commons
- 9:30 am Chin Immanuel Church, Ada Mead Hall
- 9:35 am **Faith Studies @First**
- 10:00 am Summer Choir, the Sanctuary
- 5:05 pm Congregation Baseball Game **Wear your Compassion T-Shirts!***, Werner Park (12356 Ballpark Way)

Transportation Volunteers Needed— Anyone with a sedan or small SUV who is willing to drive a member to or from church to northwest Omaha once or twice a month. Our members in need of transportation can offer rich conversations with a wonderful opportunity for intelligent and inspiring dialogue. Please call Carol LaCroix at 402-551-2177 if you are willing or would like more information.

From Participants to Partners

All are always welcome to participate in the life and ministries of FUMC Omaha. When you are ready to move from participant to partnership through your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness, please contact Jane or Cynthia by e-mail or phone; we'd be delighted to answer your questions and get to know one another!

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Our Faith in Action



In August we will be collecting school supplies for Lewis and Clark Middle School. Their most needed items are: spiral and composition notebooks (wide rule), trapper-keepers, 3-ring binders (preferably not plain white/black ones), and tissue boxes.

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Thank you for supporting the ministries of FUMC. Contribution letters are provided to identified donors for tax-deduction records at year end.



Giving Station. There is a black stand with an iPad attached in the Narthex (foyer). It's a giving station that allows people to make donations and/or purchase FUMC items. More and more people do not carry checks or cash with them. Our Giving Station is another way to support our ministries. Whether you give by cash, check, automatic bank transfers, or the new credit card station, we give thanks for faithful and generous giving that allows our ministries to continue and our community to share God's love.



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 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm
 Sunday, 8:30 am-12:00 pm; Closed Friday & Saturday



Faith Studies @First

Children & Youth

Kids Zone—All children ages 3 years through 5th grade meet in room 204. Children will return to their classrooms with their teachers for faith learning and fun. Pick-up for all ages in room 204.

Youth Faith Studies – Junior High (grades 6-8) meet in room 114, and Senior High (grades 9-12) meet in room 107 for interesting discussions about stuff that matters to young people.

Adult Classes—Sunday morning

Boomers +/- — Explore topics around the theme "Progressive Christian Living." **Room 112**

Centering Prayer — This prayer time begins with 10 minutes of fellowship, followed by a 20-minute sit in silence, closing with The Lord's Prayer. All are welcome! **Mead Chapel**

Connections — These Gen-Xers meet to discuss the place of faith in addressing current social challenges. **Room 203**

Explorers — We start discussion of *Sabbath as Resistance* by Walter Brueggemann. **Adult Education Library**

Faithlinks — This inter-generational class looks at a current issue through the lens of our Christian faith. **Room 111**

Sunday Afternoon & Weekday Opportunities:

- ◇ **Church on the Rocks**—An open and affirming space to air questions, challenge ideas, and find fellowship for young adults. **Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, Blackstone Social (3910 Farnam St)**
- ◇ **Spiritual Practices**—All are welcome to explore a variety of ways to connect with the Holy and Journey in faith. **Wednesdays, 5:00 pm, the Parlor.**
- ◇ **ZUMBA**—Zumba is open to all skill levels. Join Pastor Cynthia move and groove! **Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30 pm, the Commons.**
- ◇ **Earth Vigil**—A small group who gather for silent meditation for the earth. **Third Wednesday monthly, 6:30-7:00 pm, Mead Chapel.**
- ◇ **Worship in the Tradition of Taizé** — A 45-minute spiritual service. **First Saturday monthly, 5:00 pm, Mead Chapel.**

Spiritual Practices @First

All are welcome to join in at any time—no cost involved~

- ◆ Taizé Worship—1st Saturday monthly, 5:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Yoga—Mondays, 9:30 am Thursdays, 6:15 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Gentle Aerobics— Is on a Summer Break! See you after Labor Day!
- ◆ Tai Chi For Balance—Tuesdays, 3:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Meditation—Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Spiritual Practices—Wednesdays, 5:00 pm, the Parlor
- ◆ Centering Prayer, Sundays, 9:35 am, 1st Sunday monthly, 4:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Outdoor Labyrinth, Garden & Gazebo—24/7

Sunday, July 30, 2017

10:50 am

First United Methodist Church



PRELUDE

"Oh, What Sorrow, Oh, What Joy"

Haya folk tune; arr. Carl Heine

WELCOME

Personal listening devices and large-print hymnals & worship guides are available from the ushers. Please silence your phones. Children are always welcome in worship; childcare is also available in the Nursery, room 105.

*THE SOUND OF THE BELL

At the sound of the bell, please rise in body or spirit, breathe deeply, and face the center to see the Christ in one another.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

"God Hath Spoken by the Prophets"

Musical notation for Call to Worship with lyrics: God hath spoken by the prophets, spoken the unending word.

*OPENING HYMN

"Hope of the World"

Red hymnal #178

*LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE

GATHERING OF CHILDREN

"Where Children Belong"

Black hymnal #2233

The children are invited to gather at the front of the church.

CHILDREN'S WORD

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

Today is a gift from God.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Musical notation for Children's Word with lyrics: This is the day, yes! This is the day, yes! This is the day that God has made!

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 10:3-5, 10-12

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Inconvenient Prophet"

Dr. Jane Florence

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Grant Us Wisdom to Perceive You"

Musical notation for Hymn of Response with lyrics: Grant us wisdom to perceive you, Grant us faithfulness in praying, Grant us diligence in doing, Grant us courage to proclaim you; hearts awakened to receive you, strength to keep our souls from straying, patience when your truth pursuing, Savior of our lives we name you; minds alert to thoughts that grieve you, sense to cease from disobeying, eager to receive renews, May our actions never shame you; God of mercy, hear us.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hymn of Prayer

"You Alone Are My Heart's Desire"

Musical notation for Prayers of the People with lyrics: You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

Prayers of Concern

Hospitalized this week: Barb Geier

This we pray.

Hymn of Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving

This we pray.

Hymn of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

*SALAAM, SHALOM, PEACE be with you.

And also with you.

OFFERING

Summer Choir

"Blessed Are Those Who Trust"

Daniel Burton

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is, for they shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river. Her leaf shall be green in the year of drought, nor shall she cease from yielding fruit.

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*COMMUNITY IN ACTION

*CLOSING HYMN

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Musical notation for Closing Hymn with lyrics: 1. Immortal, invisible, 2. Unresting, unchanging, and God only wise, in light inaccessible, silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou hid from our eyes, most blessed, most ruling in might; thy justice like glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy clouds which are to rise, thy great name we praise. fountains of goodness and love. 3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught change thee.