



2018 Vacation Bible School
Monday, July 9—Thursday, July 12
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

ReNew: Grow in Faith. Have Fun. Change the World

**RE
NEW**
 THE GREEN VBS™

ReNew is an environmentally focused VBS program that inspires children and adults to grow in faith, have fun, and change the world as they practice stewardship of creation. This year's program has been modified and simplified to make it green. It is centered on our relationship and responsibility for God's creation. All participants will be encouraged to "think globally and act locally" every single day.

We are ready and excited for our future Eco-Leaders to participate in this year's VBS. Enrollment and more information may be found online at fumcomaha.org/events in the July month. Paper enrollment is available at the Front Office.

For questions or more information, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Kyle Sorys, at Kyle.Sorys@fumcomaha.org or call 402-556-6262 x1008

Announcing

June 10, 2018



This Week's Events @FUMC

Monday, June 11 2018

- 9:00 am..... Camp Rainbow, rooms 101-104 (Monday-Thursday)
- 5:00 pm..... Health and Healing Ministries, room 108
- 5:30 pm..... ESL Class, room 109 (Mondays & Wednesdays)
- 5:30 pm..... River City Tech Week, the Commons (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday)
- 7:00 pm..... Finance Committee, room 208

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

- 3:30 pm..... Tai Chi, Mead Chapel
- 6:30 pm..... Omaha Area Sanctuary Network, room 108
- 7:30 pm..... Harp Concert, Mead Chapel

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

- 12:00 pm..... Meditation Group, Mead Chapel

Thursday, June 14, 2018

- 9:30 am..... Bulletin Folders, the Conference Room
- 6:15 pm..... Evening Yoga, Mead Chapel

Friday, June 15, 2018

- 9:00 am..... Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), room 111

Saturday, June 16, 2018

- 4:00 pm..... Proud Horizons, Ada Mead Hall
- 6:00 pm..... Jane's Farewell Dinner, the Commons

Sunday, June 17, 2018

- 8:15 am..... Toddler Nursery Opens, room 105
- 8:30 & 10:50 am Sunday Worship Services, the Sanctuary**
- 9:15 am..... Hospitality and Coffee Hour, the Commons
- 9:35 am..... Faith Studies @First
- 9:35 am..... Compassion T-Shirt sale, the Gathering Place
- 9:35 am..... Blood Pressure Screenings, the Conference Room

For a complete list of events, please visit fumcomaha.org/calendar



Your Name Here

***A message from the Welcoming
and Hospitality Committee—***

We ask all in our faith community to wear your name tag each week to show signs of welcoming and hospitality to all who enter our space. If you do not have a name tag, or need a replacement, please sign up to order a new one at the Front Office, or contact Candice Nielsen at 402-556-6262 x1001 or e-mail Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org

We encourage you to practice wearing your name tag in time for Rev. Kent Little's first Sunday, July 1, so that he may better get to know you and help attach your face to your name!

Jane's Farewell

Rev. Dr. Jane Florence has been our Senior Pastor for the last 11 years. She has been appointed as Senior Pastor of St. Paul UMC in Lincoln. Jane's leadership will be missed and our congregation is stronger because of Jane's time here. We would like to thank Jane for her faithful service to this church. From all of us at FUMC, we give you thanks for your leadership, compassion, and care. We will hold you in our prayers, and in our hearts. Blessings to you, Pastor Jane.

It's Time for Pride Planning!—

Pride will be here before you know it and we need your help! We'll need help selling t-shirts, recruiting people to walk in the parade, recruiting help for the festival booth, and more! If you are interested in helping to plan FUMC's Pride activities, contact Rosey Higgs at roseyhiggs@gmail.com or Denise Rogondino at drogondino@gmail.com.

Mark your calendars for the Pride Parade and Festival on June 30!

Compassion T-Shirts will be on sale in the Gathering Place continuing TODAY! June 10, 9:35 am

Movie Group— Join us to discuss *RBG*, a highly-rated movie based on the life of Ruth Ginsburg. Following the discussion, we will enjoy food and lively conversation at a local restaurant in the Old Market. All are welcome to one or both events! **Tuesday, June 12, 6:00 pm, W. Dale Clark Library (215 S. 15 St, lower level room B)**

Honor Thy Self— We invite all women in the 60+ age group to join us for our program, "Fun with Me Now." We will recognize Fun and making Fun happen! Connie Johnk will facilitate this month's program. Questions? Please call Ruthie Lees at 402-991-3168. **Tuesday, June 19, 10:00 am, the Parlor**

Continuing Discussions on Race Relations— What are you prepared to engage in when it comes to race equity? We will talk about specific race-related incidents that make headlines as well as what we've experienced in our own lives and talk about what we did or did not do and why, and how to develop a mindset that offers unity and equity. **Tuesday, June 19, 6:30-8:00 pm, the Commons**

Binney Wirt Picnic— Come meet our neighbors at the Binney Wirt Picnic at the **Binney/Wirt/Spencer Park (1812 Wirt Street) on Saturday, June 23, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.** This will be a fun event for all ages—please bring your sunscreen, lawn chairs, and water bottle. Guests are invited to bring side dishes to share (potato or pasta salad, fruit, beans, chips, etc.). Plenty of parking on the side-streets. We hope you will join us!

News from SPRC— We are excited to share that Bishop Saenz has appointed **Rev. Kent Little as our Senior Pastor effective July 1, 2018.** The Staff Parish Relations Committee met with Kent and his wife, TruDee. We were impressed with his progressive theology, commitment to social justice, and background in serving a Reconciling Congregation. Rev. Little is from Kansas as his most recent appointment was College Hill UMC in Wichita. We believe Pastor Kent will be a great fit for FUMC. Please welcome Kent and TruDee to Omaha and to our congregation.

With hope— FUMC-Omaha Staff Parish Relations Committee

Opportunity at your Doorstep— All are invited to join our quarterly meeting at the Foodbank for the Heartland where we will repackage meals, produce, or other group activities. Please join us for this very much needed volunteer activity. Questions? Contact Sharon Hofmann at topscat@msn.com. **Tuesday, June 19, 1:00-3:30 pm, Foodbank for the Heartland (10525 J St)**

OTOC Forum— Join us for the OTOC Forum on housing the most vulnerable among us as stories and facts in pursuit of safe and affordable housing in Omaha are shared. **Sunday, June 24, during the Faith Studies Hour (9:35-10:35 am), the Commons**

Beat the Heat with the 2nd Annual Niobrara River Float Trip— We are scheduled for a 3 day, 2 night float trip for August 2nd-4th. Cost to be determined after interest level is known. Last year's cost was around \$100 per person. Please contact Blain Baker at 307-399-2126 or Miriam Chapman at 402-981-5986 (texting is okay) to indicate interest or to learn more about this fun fellowship event!

OTOC Summer Events— Join OTOC leaders at these important events!

Please visit OTOC.org for more information:

Summer Training—Organizing House meetings Part 1— Monday, June 11, 7:00 pm, Augustana Lutheran Church (3647 Lafayette)

OTOC Issue Café: Nebraska Medicaid Expansion: Now it's up to YOU— Wednesday, June 13, 6:45-8:00 pm, Urban Abbey (1026 Jackson Street)

OTOC Issue Café: A Merciful Alternative to Payday Lending— Tuesday, June 19, 6:45-8:00 pm, Urban Abbey (1026 Jackson Street)

Young Adult Fellowship— All FUMC Young Adults (20s, 30s, & 40s) are invited to a weekly casual fellowship gathering. All who wish to unwind and connect with other young adults are more than welcome to come together and converse over food and drinks. Meet friends and new faces, unwind and enjoy! For location details and more information, please contact Kyle Sorys at 402-556-6262 x1008 or e-mail Kyle.Sorys@fumcomaha.org.

Coffee Servers Needed— This vital ministry is in need of volunteers to extend hospitality to all who enter our space. From pick-up and prep, to maintenance during the social hour, to clean-up after... We have a spot for you!

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