



South African Freedom Song

**\*SENDING FORTH**

**\*POSTLUDE**  
 "God of Grace and God of Glory" Paul Manz

# Welcome

**Today is Sunday, July 8, 2018**

- 8:30 & 10:50 am **Worship Service, Sanctuary**
- 9:15 am Social Time, the Commons
- 9:30 am Chin Immanuel Church, Ada Mead Hall
- 9:35 am **Faith Studies @First**
- 9:35 am Stephen Ministry Meeting, the Conference Room
- 12:00 PM Youth Emergency Services (YES) Meal Prep, the Main Kitchen

**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 Kent 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



We are supporting the Living Hope Pantry. Please bring food items that are easy to prepare: **Canned fruit with pull tab/Squeeze Applesauce, Macaroni & Cheese, Ramen, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Fiber One Bars, Cereal and Capri Suns.** Please place items in the Donation Box in the Gathering Place..

## Mercy and Justice

**Meals for Youth Emergency Services**—Join Feeding Ministries the second Sunday of each month after 2nd service in the main kitchen. We will prepare casseroles for Y.E.S. Each night, 50-70 youth drop by their Harney Street location for something to eat. Contact Judy Prenzler, prenzlerjk@gmail.com, 402-889-8091, if you can assist or want more information.

**Sunday, July 8, The Commons**

**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. We also have a member in need of transportation home (near 108th & Q St) once a month. Both wish to attend second service. 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 or Candice Nielsen at 402-556-6262 x1001 or e-mail Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org if you are willing or would like more information.

## Spiritual Practices @First

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

- ◆ Taizé Worship—1<sup>st</sup> Saturday monthly, 5:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Morning Yoga—Mondays, 9:30 am, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Tai Chi For Balance—Tuesdays, 3:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Meditation—Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Earth Vigil—Third Wednesday monthly, 6:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Zumba— Will resume Wednesday, September 5 in the Commons
- ◆ Evening Yoga—Thursday, 6:15 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Centering Prayer, Sundays, 9:35 am and 1st Sunday monthly, 4:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Outdoor Labyrinth, Garden & Gazebo—24/7

## Church Staff Contact Information

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## Faith Studies @First

**Children & Youth**

**Children Faith Studies/Kids Zone** – We offer fun, friendly, and up-beat faith learning for the youngest members of our faith community. We have classes year-round for children ages 3-year-old to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Children will be dropped off and picked up in their individual classrooms.

- 3-year-old/Pre-K **Nursery (room 105)**
- Kindergarten (5 & 6-year-olds), **Room 204**  
 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders
- 4th, 5th, and 6th graders **Room 208**

**Youth Faith Studies** – Our youth, in 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, meet in a combined Junior High and Senior High class for the summer,. Youth Faith Studies center around dynamic current events and motivating faith topics, and concentrate on faith formation, scripture literacy, interfaith dialogue, and all the stuff that matters.

- Junior High & Senior High (7th-12th grade) -**Room 114**

**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** — Seekers who inquire in depth by reading and discussing a book. This week we will continue our discussion on *Reimagining God*. **Adult Education Library**

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

**Stay Connected.**  
**Check us out online!**  
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**Office Hours:**  
 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm  
 Sunday, 8:30 am-12:00 pm; Closed Friday & Saturday



Sunday, July 8, 2018

10:50 am



PRELUDE

"Walk Together, Children, Don't You Get Weary" Trad. Spiritual; arr. Eugene Hancock

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.

\*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

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

"God is Here Today"

Musical notation for "God is Here Today" with lyrics: God is here to - day; as cer - tain as the air I breathe, as cer - tain as the morn - ing sun that ris - - es, as cer - tain when I sing you'll hear my song.

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\*OPENING HYMN

"God of Love and God of Power" Red hymnal #578

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

Rev. Kent H. Little

Today is a gift from God. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Musical notation for "Today is a gift from God" with lyrics: This is the day, yes! This is the day, yes! This is the day that God has made!

SCRIPTURE

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

Mark 6:1-13

SERMON

"Shake it Off"

Rev. Kent H. Little

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Red hymnal #519

BAPTISM/WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Being baptized today: Anavie Hope Lyons

Reinstating membership today: Carri and Edwin Lyons

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hymn of Prayer

"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

Musical notation for "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us" with lyrics: Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us words of fire and flame. Help our strug - gling voic - es praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

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Prayers of Concern

This we pray. Hospitalized this week: Bud Phillips

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.

BECAUSE YOU GIVE

"For Love Shall Be Our Song"

Douglas E. Wagner

God is love, God is peace, God is joy and gladness. May we then live our lives in love, in peace, in joy with Christ our Lord. For love shall be our song, as we lift our hearts to the Lord; so as members of the family of God, rejoice, give thanks and praise. And when others do us wrong, patience we will show, to forgive as Christ did us; seeds of love we'll sow. God is love, God is peace, God is joy and gladness. May we then live our lives in love, in peace, in joy with Christ our Lord.

\*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Red hymnal #94

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

"We Shall Not Give Up the Fight"

Musical notation for "We Shall Not Give Up the Fight" with lyrics: 1. & 4. We shall not give up the fight, we have on - ly start - ed, we have on - ly start - ed, we have on - ly start - ed. 2. To - geth - er we'll have vic - to - ry, hand hold - ing hand, hand 3. Nev - er, ev - er put to flight, we're bound to win, we're