



Commission on a Way Forward
Council of Bishops



You're Invited!

The FORWARD IN UNITY Process Team of the Great Plains Conference invites you to learn more about the options shared by the Commission on a Way Forward, a group of 32 people who have worked to preserve unity within the denomination despite differences over human sexuality.

Bishop Ruben Saenz Jr. is leading town hall meeting in all 17 districts leading up to the special session of General Conference in February 2019 in St. Louis. Each meeting will feature details of three proposals and will provide an opportunity for discussion.

You're invited to come listen, learn, and most importantly, share. Refreshments will be served.

Saturday, August 25, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, St. Luke UMC (11810 Burke Street)



Thank you for continuing to save the atmosphere for green house gases by composting your food wastes. We are no longer using the green compostable bags. Our FUMC food wastes continue to be picked up and processed through pigs instead of worms. We are asking that you use an ice cream bucket or something similar and just dump the food waste in the orange buckets by the dumpster. NO PLASTIC bags, please. Thank you!

New Membership Class

Sunday, September 9

12:00 pm the Parlor



All those who wish to join, or wish to know more about FUMC Omaha and the United Methodist Church are invited to meet with Rev. Kent after second service on Sunday, September 9. There will be a time for conversation and questions as well as an opportunity to learn more about what is involved with joining the church. Current members willing to offer their insight and wealth of knowledge are welcome to attend, too!

Refreshments and a quick meal will be provided, so we ask all to RSVP so we may know how many to expect. If you wish to attend, please contact Rev. Kent at Kent.Little@fumcomaha.org, or call 402-556-6262 x1002. We hope to see you there!

Announcing

August 5, 2018



This Week's Events @FUMC

Monday, August 6, 2018

9:30 am..... Yoga, Mead Chapel
5:30 pm..... ESL Class, room 109 (Mondays & Wednesdays)

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

3:30 pm..... Tai Chi, Mead Chapel
6:00 pm..... OTOC Mental Health Action Team, room 111
7:00 pm..... Mercy & Justice, room 112

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

12:00 pm..... Meditation Group, Mead Chapel
7:00 pm..... Alcoholics Anonymous, Ada Mead Hall

Thursday, August 9, 2018

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

Friday, August 10, 2018

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

Saturday, August 11, 2018

8:30 am..... Stephen Ministry Network, room 11
4:00 pm..... Proud Horizons, Ada Mead Hall

Sunday, August 12, 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
12:00 pm..... Youth Emergency Services (YES) Meal Prep, the Main Kitchen

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



Church Ministry Fair
Sunday, September 16
Faith Studies Hour
(9:35-10:35 am)
in the Commons





MISSION TRIP

Please join our Senior High Youth TODAY, August 5 during the Faith Studies Hour in the Commons as they share their experiences while on their 2018 Summer Mission Trip in Rockport, Texas.

You'll experience pictures of the home the youth helped restore as well as some fun videos that will bring joy to your heart and bring hope for the future!

**TODAY! Sunday, August 5
Faith Studies Hour (9:35-10:35 am), in the Commons**

Cottage Meetings—

We are underway with the Cottage Meetings with Rev. Little. The purpose of the Cottage Meetings is to allow personal connections, conversations, and introductions in a more intimate setting.

Please sign-up in the Gathering Place continuing today if you would like to participate in the meetings.

For more information, please contact Marylin Stewart by phone 402-390-0237 or email MarylinS@aol.com or Mitch Bean by phone 308-627-1360 or email mlbean2015@gmail.com.

Movie Group—

Join us to discuss the movie, *Leave No Trace*. 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, August 14 6:00 pm, W. Dale Clark Library (215 S. 15 St, lower level room B)**

Race Relations Discussion on Gentrification and Housing— Join us for dinner and discussion on how gentrification is very real and happening here in Omaha. In collaboration with the Policy Research & Innovation Organization, we will ask what have we observed and how can we be involved in stopping the gentrification process? For more information, please contact Pastor Cynthia Lindenmeyer at 402-556-6262 x1006 or Cynthia.Lindenmeyer@fumc-omaha.org. **Tuesday, August 28, 6:00-8:30 pm, the Commons**

Spiritual Transformation Class— Seeking personal transformation to replace negativity, fear, and doubt with optimism, love, and joy? Join Ruthie Lees for a class studying the book, *Love is Letting Go of Fear*. This safe space is welcome to all who seek a new perspective in life and desire to reach a space of renewal. For more information, contact Ruthie Lees at Ruth_Lees@cox.net. This group will be limited to 12 people who are committed to coming weekly. **Tuesday, September 4 (until Advent), 5:00-6:00 pm, the Parlor**



Acolyte Training—Sunday, August 26
All Children entering 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade
9:35-10:00 am
Meet in the Sanctuary



It is time to plan for the Confirmation Class of 2018-2019!

If your youth will be entering 7th or 8th Grade and has not completed Confirmation, we invite you to contact Rev. Kent Little at Kent.Little@fumcomaha.org or call 402-556-6262 x1002 to learn more about this year's Confirmation Class beginning Sunday, September 9.

If you would like to answer the call to help lead our Confirmation Class, please contact Rev. Kent to discuss how you may foster a relationship and aid in the spiritual growth of our faith community's newest members.

Honor Thy Self— We invite all women over 60 to join our Honor Thy Self group. Our special guest speaker will be Jane Beran, former owner of Jane's Health Market in Benson. She will talk to us about "Healthy Lifestyle Choices As We Age". This will include the daily exercise routine and nutritional juicing program she follows now since retiring. Questions, call Ruthie Lees at 402 991-3168. **Tuesday, August 21, 10:00 am, the Parlor.**

Feeding Ministries— One of our Feeding Ministries includes preparing and serving a meal at the Siena Francis House on the third Wednesday monthly. Currently, we have 7 FUMC groups that each buy, cook and serve for one meal. To continue this ministry, the remaining 5 months need funding (\$500 per month) and people power.

*Please consider donating financially to this cause by noting "Siena" on your contribution.
If you would like to assist with cooking or serving, please contact Judy Prenzler at prezler@cox.net or at 402-889-8091.*



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 continue to wear your name tag as Rev. Little gets to know our faith community better and will assist putting your face to your name!