

# Welcome

**Today is Sunday, October 7, 2018**

8:30 & 10:50 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:15 am	Hospitality and Social Time, the Commons
9:35 am	Faith Studies @First
10:15 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, the Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Trunk-or-Treat Planning Committee / Children/ Family Council, Education Office
12:00 pm	Confirmation / Tween Scene Choir, room 204
12:00 pm	Youth Choir, Clark Rehearsal Hall (Music Room)
4:00 pm	Centering Prayer, Mead Chapel
6:00 pm	UMYF, meet in the Commons

**Gift of a Good Death has been rescheduled for Sunday, October 21.** If you have any questions, please contact Ranita Lilyhorn at [RL3frog@cox.net](mailto:RL3frog@cox.net) or call 402-215-5641. We will still meet next Sunday, October 14 at 2:00 pm in the Parlor.

## 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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## Mercy and Justice

**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](mailto:Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org) if you are willing or would like more information.

**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, [prezlerjk@gmail.com](mailto:prezlerjk@gmail.com), 402-889-8091, if you can assist or want more information. **Sunday, October 14, 12:00 pm, the Main Kitchen**

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



## Our Faith in Action



The needs are many—for our Donation Box we are asking for specifics to help the pantry at First United Methodist Church in O'Neil as they are helping with the fallout from the ICE raid. Originally, Homeland Security was targeting those who are human traffickers and raided several businesses. The tragic unfolding narrative of detention and separation of the immigrant families is occurring three hours away from Omaha. Three miles from our church, the displacement of refugee families also is heartbreaking. The Donation Box in the Gathering Place is one way to help.



### Coming Out Singing Sunday

Today, October 7, members of River City Mixed Chorus (RCMC) will be handing out mini packages of skittles before and after services to raise awareness for National Coming Out Day, which is October 11. Suggested donation is \$1 for the skittles, and funds raised will help chorus members attend the GALA Festival of Choruses in 2020 in Minneapolis. Please help us support our RCMC friends! For more information, please visit [www.rcmc.org](http://www.rcmc.org).

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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.



## Faith Studies @First

### Children & Youth—Sunday morning, 9:35-10:35 am

**Children Faith Studies/Kids Zone** – We offer fun, friendly, and upbeat faith learning for the youngest members of our faith community. Children meet with their age group, as well as spend time singing together in Hosanna Choir. Drop-off and pick-up for children will be in their individual classrooms:

- 3-year-old/Pre-K, and Kindergarten **Room 205/206**
- 1st & 2nd grade **Room 207**
- 3rd & 4th grade **Room 209**
- 5th & 6th grade **Room 208**

**Youth Faith Studies** – Our 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. Confirmation for 7th graders (and 8th graders we missed last year) will meet at 9:35 am in room 108. Grades 8-12 meet in room 114.

- Confirmation (7th-8th grade) **Room 108**
- Jr High & Sr High (8th-12th grade) **Room 114**

### Adult Classes—Sunday morning, 9:35 –10:35 am

**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 discussion on *Beyond Belief* by Elaine Pagel. **Adult Education Library**

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

## 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
- ◆ Morning Yoga—Mondays, 9:30 am, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Tai Chi For Balance—Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Meditation—Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Earth Vigil—Third Wednesday monthly, 6:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Zumba— Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, the Commons
- ◆ Evening Yoga—Thursdays, 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

**Sunday, October 7, 2018**

**10:50 am**



**PRELUDE**

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" Mark Sedio

**WELCOME**

Rev. Kent H. Little

Please silence your phones. Children are always welcome in worship; child-care 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

"Seek Ye First"

Musical notation for "Seek Ye First" with lyrics: Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteous-ness, and all these things shall be added un-to you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"We Are Called" Black hymnal #2172

**\*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!

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**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 6:7-13

May we be mindful of the Spirit who speaks here and now...  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

"Two"

Rev. Kent H. Little

**\*SALAAM, SHALOM, PEACE** be with you.

**And also with you.**

**BECAUSE WE GIVE**

Chancel Choir

**World Communion Sunday  
An Offering of Music**

"How Can I Keep From Singing?"

David Schwoebel

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation, I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails the new creation. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing; it finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? What though the joys and comforts die? My Savior still is living. What though the shadows gather 'round? A new song Christ is giving. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging; since Christ is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing? I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it; and day by day this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing; all things are mine since I am His. How can I keep from singing?

**\*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!**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Black hymnal #2257a-d

We invite all to enter into a time of centering silence.

Prayer candles are located in the front, back, and sides of the Sanctuary for reflective and personal representation of prayers. All are welcome to light a candle as a symbol of your spoken or unspoken prayers;

**Prayers of Concern**

This we pray.  
**Loving God, hear our prayers.**

**Prayers of Thanksgiving**

This we pray.  
**Loving God, we give you thanks.**

**Sung Lord's Prayer**

The Cantor will sing a phrase and the Congregation will repeat it.

**GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

All present, anyone and everyone, are invited to share in this holy sacrament.

Gluten-free bread is available by request at the front on the piano side.

During the serving of Communion, the Congregation will sing:  
"Live in Charity (Ubi Caritas)" Black hymnal #2179

**COMMUNITY IN ACTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN**

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Musical notation for "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" with lyrics: Let us talents and tongues employ, All you works of God, bless the Lord! Hills and mountains now sing God's worth, Come human-ity, sing a-long, Bless the Lord, all you pure of heart, reach-ing out with a shout of joy; All you an-gels, now bless the Lord; all you green things that grow on earth: sing, you peo-ple of God, a song; all you hum-ble, God's prais-es start; bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, come you heav-ens and pow'rs that be, seas and riv-ers, you springs and wells, priests and ser-vants, your Lord now bless, God in heav-en and Son a-dore, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard, praise the Lord and God's maj-es-ty, beasts and cat-tle, you birds and whales, join, you spir-its and souls at rest, bless the Spir-it for-ev-er-more! Raise your voic-es high, praise and mag-ni-fy, all you works of God, praise the Lord!

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**\*SENDING FORTH**

**\*POSTLUDE**

"Postlude on Old Hundredth"

Fred Bock