

"Renew Your Church"

Re - new your church, its min - is - tries re - store:
 Teach us your word, re - veal its truth di - vine;
 Teach us to pray, for you are ev - er near;
 Teach us to love, with strength of heart and mind,
 both to serve and a - dore. Make us a - gain as
 on our path let it shine. Tell of your works, your
 your still voice let us hear. Our souls are rest - less
 each and all - hu - man-kind! Break down old walls of
 salt through-out the land, and as light from a stand. 'Mid
 might - y acts of grace; from each page show your face. As
 till they rest in you; this is life, full and true. Be -
 prej - u - dice and hate; leave us not to our fate. As
 som - ber shad - ows of the night, _____ where
 you have sent _____ your Christ to save, _____ in
 fore your pres - ence keep us still _____ that
 you have loved _____ and giv'n your life _____ to
 greed and ha - tred spread their blight, O send us forth with
 love to tri - umph o'er the grave, O let our hearts with
 we may find for us your will and seek your guid - ance
 end hos - til - i - ty and strife, your grace we must be
 pow'r en - dued. Help us, God, be re - newed.
 love be stirred. Help us, God, know your word.
 ev - 'ry day. Teach us, God, how to pray.
 mind - ful of: Teach us, God, how to love.

Words: Kenneth L. Cober; Music: Trad. English melody.

Volunteer @First

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.

Usher and Greeter Volunteers Needed— We are in need of new Usher and Greeter volunteers to finish the 2018 year and begin the 2019 year. If you would like to be part of our Welcoming Spirit, please contact Candice Nielsen at Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org or call 402-556-6262 x1001. Or, please contact our Second Service Usher Coordinator, Jean Keeney, jean.keeney12@gmail.com, or our Greeter Coordinator, Dave England, at daveengland135@cox.net

Our Faith in Action



Donation Box—We will be collecting Coats of ALL sizes this month for the North Omaha neighborhoods of Binney-Wirt and Belvedere, our community partners. Coats will be fitted to families when we gather together on November 17 for Thanksgiving fellowship in North Omaha. We are in need of sizes 2XL and 3XL!! Also, pasta, chicken, canned fruit and vegetables, cake mixes, cereal and soup for the Living Hope Pantry are needed this month.

Mercy and Justice

For a guide to having a "Low Carbon Thanksgiving" please check out coolharvest.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 up-beat 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**

Please check out our online calendar at fumcomaha.org/calendar for more information on Spiritual Practices, Events, and Meetings at FUMC.

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, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Outdoor Labyrinth, Garden & Gazebo—24/7

Sunday, November 11, 2018

10:50 am



PRELUDE

“When Morning Gilds the Skies” Emma Lou Diemer

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

“Bind Us Together”

Musical notation for the Call to Worship with lyrics: Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love.

***OPENING HYMN**

“Love Divine, All Love Excelling” Red hymnal #384

***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 12:28-34

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

SERMON

“Jesus’ Top Three” Rev. Kent H. Little

HYMN OF RESPONSE

“The Gift of Love” Red hymnal #408

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Kent H. Little

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.

Hymn of Prayer

“Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole”

Musical notation for Hymn of Prayer with lyrics: In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your com - pas - sion. By your grace, you con - sole. Make us ho - ly, make us whole.

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Prayers of Concern

To the family of James Schlichtemier who transitioned to new life. The white candle on the Communion table celebrates his life.

This we pray.

Hymn of Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving

For Ric Jensen and his hard work with the Youth and the Chili Cook-off.

This we pray.

Hymn of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

Creator God 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 WE GIVE

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

An Offering of Music

Youth Choir

“Rise Up”

You're broken down and tired of living life on a merry go round, and you can't find the fighter; but I see it in you, so we gonna walk it out and move mountains. And I'll rise up, I'll rise like the day, I'll rise up, I'll rise unafraid, I'll rise up, and I'll do it a thousand times again. And I'll rise up high like the waves, I'll rise up in spit of the ache, I'll rise up and I'll do it a thousand times again. When the silence isn't quiet, and it feels like it's getting hard to breathe, and I know you feel like dying, but I promise we'll take the world to its feet and move mountains. I'll rise up, and do it a thousand times again.

***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

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Renew Your Church” (found on the next panel)

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE**

“Tocatta on ‘Hyfrydol’” arr. Craig Phillips

Welcome

Today is Sunday, November 11, 2018

8:15 am	Nursery Opens, room 105
8:30 & 10:50 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:15 am	Social Time, the Commons
9:35 am	Faith Studies @First
10:15 am	Youth Choir Rehearsal, the Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Tween Scene / Confirmation Choir, room 204
12:00 pm	Chili Cook-off, the Commons

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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