

**\*SENDING FORTH**

**\*POSTLUDE**

“Go Out with Joy”

Mark Kurtz

Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple  
 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing  
 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the

make, the path through noise and si - lence, the  
 way, whose hope burns through the ter - rors, whose  
 road. We wait for land of prom - ise where

way of give and take. The trail is found in  
 love sus - tains the day. We yearn for ho - ly  
 milk and hon - ey flow, but wait - ing not for

des - ert, and winds the moun - tain round, then  
 free - dom while of - ten we are bound; to -  
 plac - es, you meet us all a - round. Our

leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.  
 geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.  
 cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

“Bless Now, O God, the Journey”

# Welcome

**Today is Sunday, March 10, 2019**

8:15 am	Nursery Opens, room 105
<b>8:30 &amp; 10:50 am</b>	<b>Worship Service, Sanctuary</b>
9:15 am	Social Time, the Commons
9:35 am	Stephen Ministry, the Conference Room
<b>9:35 am</b>	<b>Our Way Forward Forum, the Commons</b>
<b>9:35 am</b>	<b>Faith Studies @First</b>
12:00 noon	YES Meal Prep, Main Kitchen
12:00 noon	Youth Choir Rehearsal, Clark Rehearsal Hall
6:00 pm	United Methodist Youth (UMYF), room 112

**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

**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.

**TODAY! Sunday, March 10, 12:00 pm, the Main Kitchen**

## 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 & Thursdays, 3:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Meditation—Wednesdays, 12:00 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

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**Consistent Giving Made Easy**



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 transfer, 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/Hosanna Choir** – 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. Please drop-off and pick-up your child in their individual classroom:

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

Hosanna Choir will meet in **room 204 from 9:45-10:05 am**

**Tween Scene** – Moving from Elementary into Jr. High is an exciting time in the life of our children! Our tween scene Faith Studies group is for our 5th and 6th graders and meets every Sunday, and has a monthly outing together! Tween Scene will start in their classroom and be picked up in the choir room (room 204).

- Tween Scene (5th and 6th graders) **Room 208**

Tween Scene Choir will meet in **room 204 from 10:05-10:35 am**

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

Youth Choir will resume January 6, 2019 and meet in **Clark Rehearsal Hall (Music Room) from 12:00-12:30 pm**

**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 studying *The 4th Gospel* by Bishop Spong. **Adult Education Library**

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

**Reading the Bible Again for the First Time** — Join Pastors Kent and Cynthia as they lead a study on the Old and New Testament based on the book, *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*, by Marcus Borg. **The Parlor**

Please check out our online calendar at [fumcomaha.org/calendar](http://fumcomaha.org/calendar) for more information on Spiritual Practices, Events, and Meetings at FUMC.

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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, March 10, 2019**

**8:30 am & 10:50 am**



**PRELUDE**

"Schematics"

Robert Hebble

**WELCOME**

Rev. Kent H. Little

Please silence your phones. Children are always welcome in worship; child-care is also available in the Nursery, room 105. We invite all to sign-in on the black pads found near the center aisle of your pew.

**SONG OF WELCOMING**

Chancel Choir

**\*CENTERING SINGING BOWL**

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

In the Spir - it let us trav - el, o - pen to each oth - er's  
 pain; let our loves and fears un - rav - el, cel - e -  
 brate the space we gain: There's a place for deep - est  
 dream - ing, there's a time for heart to care, in the  
 Spir - it's live - ly schem - ing there is al - ways room to spare.

**\*OPENING HYMN**

"Jesus, Tempted in the Desert"

Black hymnal #2105

**WISDOM READINGS**

Islam, Qur'an 41:53

Luke 4:1-13

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

**Thanks be to God.**

**TIME WITH OUR 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!**

This is the day, yes! This is the day, yes!  
 This is the day \_\_\_\_\_ that God has made! \_\_\_\_\_

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**BECAUSE WE GIVE / THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**An Offering of Music**

8:30 am Congregational

"Bless Now, O God, the Journey"

(Music is listed on back side of bulletin)

10:50 am Chancel Choir

"Lord, I Looked Down the Road"

William Grant Still

Lord, I looked down the road, and I wondered: 'Twas a long way to go. Lord, I didn't think that I could ever make it: 'Twas a long way to go. Lord, I buckled on my shoes and I started: 'Twas a long way to go.

**\*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!**

**THE TIME OF PRAYER AND MEDITATION**

**Hymn of Prayer**

"As Pilgrims on Our Way"

Can we, as pil - - - grims on our way, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ con - fess our faith \_\_\_\_\_ in God to - day \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ as we re - call \_\_\_\_\_ from jour - neys past \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ the signs that held \_\_\_\_\_ our pur - pose fast?

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**Prayers of Concern**

Claudia Hesselgesser and Kay Peters

LB627— Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity

This we pray.

**Hymn of Prayer**

**Prayers of Thanksgiving**

This we pray.

**Hymn of Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Sung Lord's Prayer**

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

**\*THE PEACE CANDLE**

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

**\*SALAAM, SHALOM, PEACE**

And also with you.

**HYMN OF PREPARATION**

(10:50 am Service Only)

"Bless Now, O God, the Journey"

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**MESSAGE**

"Where Are You Going?"

Rev. Kent H. Little

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

"Traveling with God"

1. One more step a - long the world I go,  
 2. 'Round the cor - ners of the world I turn,  
 3. As I trav - el through the bad and good,  
 4. Give me cour - age when the road is rough,  
 5. You are old - er than the world can be,  
 one more step a - long the world I go. From the old things  
 more and more a - bout the world I learn. All the new things  
 keep me trav - el - ing the way I should. Where I see no  
 keep me lov - ing though the world is tough. Leap and sing in  
 you are young - er than the life in me. Ev - er old and  
 to the new, keep me trav - el - ing a - long with you.  
 that I see, you'll be look - ing at a - long with me.  
 way to go, you'll be tell - ing me the way, I know.  
 all I do, keep me trav - el - ing a - long with you.  
 ev - er new, keep me trav - el - ing a - long with you.  
 And it's from the old I trav - el to the new,  
 keep me trav - el - ing a - long with you.

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