

Mead Chapel Dedication

We give thanks your continued patience during the much needed renovation of the Mead Chapel. We are so excited to share with you our newly updated sacred space! All activities will now return to the Mead Chapel. **TODAY, after second service**, we invite you to gather within the Mead Chapel for a special Dedication of the new space. We encourage all to take a peek into the Chapel and see all of the beauty and care given to the space.

A special thank you to our Building Manager, Steve Nehrig, our Building Staff, and all the helping hands who made this renovation possible.

Building Our Future Together

Beginning today, August 11, the FUMC Foundation Board is initiating an extended campaign to provide opportunities to learn details of our Foundation and its importance to the current and future operation of our church. Throughout the remainder of this year and into 2020, there will be a series of newsletters, announcements, Q&A sessions and briefings/interactions with financial and legal professionals to help us all become more aware of our Foundation and how we can sustain and grow this important resource to meet the needs and aspirations of the future of our church.

TODAY—We will give thanks for the great blessing that “Pioneer” Members are to our church. Pioneers Members are those who have been in the Methodist tradition for forty years or more. They have given of themselves and their resources in good times and in difficult times. They have kept the church alive so that mission and ministry can continue through the generations. We invite you to join us as we celebrate and honor the Pioneer Members of our faith community during the **8:30 and 10:50 am** services.

Transportation Ministry Many members in our Omaha community are in need of transportation to and from church. Maybe you’ve noticed a familiar face missing in your pew! Currently, there are four individuals on our waiting list requesting rides to and from church on Sunday mornings. These individuals are willing to attend either or both services if needed. If you would like to ensure all are welcome in this space, including those unable to drive, **please contact Candice at 402-556-6262 x1001, or e-mail at: Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org.** to find out how you may be able to support this important and meaningful ministry!

Upcoming Events @FUMC

ACTIVE SHOOTER / EMERGENCY TRAINING

In light of current events in our culture and society we have asked Rev. Hollie Tapley, our Conference Disaster Response Coordinator to come and take our congregation through an Active Shooter Training. We want to make sure all our staff, ushers, and greeters go through this training; however, I believe it will be most beneficial for as many of our congregation to attend as well. The more who know what to do, the safer we will be. Along with this training we will also review proper action in the event of a fire, tornado, or other emergencies we may encounter. I hope we have as many as possible present for this important event. ~ **Rev. Kent**

August 18, 2019, 1:30-3:00pm in the Sanctuary

Announcing

August 11, 2019



Events @FUMC this week:

Monday, August 12, 2019

- 9:30 am Yoga, Mead Chapel
- 1:00 pm Recovery Inc., Room 111
- 5:00 pm Health and Healing Ministries Committee, Room 108
- 5:30 pm River City Mixed Chorus Auditions, the Commons, Room 112

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

- 3:30 pm Tai Chi, Mead Chapel
- 6:00 pm Movie Group, Dale Clark Library (lower level)

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

- 12:00 pm Meditation Group, Mead Chapel
- 6:00 pm Building & Grounds, Room 108
- 6:30 pm Zumba, the Commons
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Ada Mead Hall
- 7:00 pm OTOC Payday Lending Team, Room 111

Thursday, August 15, 2019

- 9:00 am Bulletin Folders, the Conference Room
- 10:00 am Starr Book Review, the Parlor
- 5:30 pm OTOC Transition Team, Room 111
- 6:15 pm Yoga, Mead Chapel

Friday, August 16, 2019

- 9:00 am TOPS, Room 111

Saturday, August 17, 2019

- 4:00 pm Proud Horizons, Ada Mead Hall

Sunday, August 18, 2019

- 8:15 am Toddler Nursery Opens, room 105
- 8:30 am Lost and Needs to be Found Table, the Commons
- 8:30 am Sunday Worship Service, the Sanctuary**
- 9:15 am Hospitality Hour, the Commons
- 9:30 am Small Group Sign-Ups, the Crossroad Commons
- 9:35 am Blood Pressure Screening, the Conference Room
- 9:35 am Faith Studies
- 10:50 am Sunday Worship Service, the Sanctuary**
- 12:00 pm Fellowship Meal, the Commons
- 1:30 pm Active Shooter Training, the Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm UMYF, Room 112

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

Sermon Series on LISTENING TO THE MYSTICS

We continue with a new sermon series based on Mystics. *Please join us*

SUNDAYS, 8:30 & 10:50 am

Summer Organizing Training: Importance of Private and Public Relationships

Join OTOC leaders for training about what Public Life is, what can be accomplished in the public arena like congregations and politics, and how to build meaningful public relationships.

August 12, 7 - 8:30 pm,
Augustana Lutheran Church,
3647 Lafayette Ave, Omaha

AUGUST FELLOWSHIP MEAL

The Coziahr family is sponsoring the August Fellowship Meal: Walking Tacos with all the fixing! Customize your walking taco – or find out what they are – and enjoy some delicious summer watermelon and a few famous Coziahr desserts. A free-will offering will be accepted. Funds raised will go to the Big Garden.

August 18, 12:00 pm, the Commons

Honor Thyself Our Honor Thyself program in August will be presented by Joy Johnson Brown. Joy will talk about her Boob Girl's Book XI, "The Gun Found At Mark's". Please plan to join us, and change your Life! All women 60+ are welcome!

Tuesday, August 20 10:00 am, room 111
Questions: contact Ruthie Lees at 402-991-3168

Movie Group "THE FAREWELL"

Tuesday, August 13th, 6:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for the discussion and for dinner in a nearby restaurant following the discussion.

Dale Clark Library
15th and Douglas (Lower Level)

★ Lost and Needs to be Found ★

Our Lost & Found drawer is overflowing!

All lost and needs to be found items are on display in the Commons. Please look through the items and see if there is something you lost. Items will be on display for the remainder of August. Any unclaimed items will be sent to Tip-Top Thrift Shop.

Spiritual Study on the book

Wild Mercy by Mirabai Starr.

All are welcome to join us

Sundays, 9:35—10:35 am, the Parlor
Thursdays, 10-11:30 am, the Parlor

TURNING POINT, "A Portrait Exhibition" by Monica Maxwell

Monica Maxwell is a contemporary realist visual artist and photographer working in Omaha, NE. Come view her oil portraits of Omaha women sharing their stories.

On display August 10th-31st,
the Gathering Place

Picnic on the Front Lawn

Sunday, September 15

Our FUMC Welcome & Support Team and Children & Family Council invite all to our annual Picnic on the Front Lawn! After second service on **Sunday, September 15**, we will enjoy the late summer sun on our beautiful front lawn (or watch the late summer rain in the Commons). Bring a lawn chair, blanket, and your family! For those in need of a table, we will have our picnic tables and a few round tables and chairs out, too! We will enjoy delicious picnic food and celebrate fellowship, together. There will be a DJ, karaoke, bouncy house, and other fun outdoor games (all weather-permitting). We will also unveil our new small group selections!! A free-will offering will help fund future fellowship events at the church.

We need volunteers! In order to have a church-wide picnic, we need a church-wide crew of volunteers to help make the meal a success!

If you would like to volunteer, please contact
Candice Nielsen (Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org)
or Bogart Nomad (Bogart.Nomad@fumcomaha.org)

Ministry Fair

Sunday, September 22, 9:35-10:35 am

Please mark your calendars for our Annual Ministry Fair on **Sunday, September 22** in the Commons. The purpose of the Ministry Fair is to display all of the amazing ministries First United Methodist Church has to offer. From Small Groups, Mercy and Justice Committees, Fellowship and Ministry Teams, and our Faith Studies Classes, we have a variety of ways for each individual in our faith community to connect! We would like this year's fair to be our biggest one yet! We encourage all small groups, committees, teams, and Faith Studies classes to begin planning your display!

Questions? Contact Candice Nielsen at
Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org

Hospitality Servers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to pick-up donuts, make the coffee, and set out the treats on Sunday mornings. This vital ministry fuels our Hospitality Hour, and provides a space for meaningful conversation and fellowship to occur. If you enjoy a coffee, bagel, donut, or tea on Sundays, please consider volunteering to continue this mission. Training is available, and Sundays without servers are quickly approaching. Sign-up today by contacting

Candice Nielsen at
Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org.

Spiritual Practices at FUMC

Tai Chi Through August, 3:30 pm, Tuesdays Only,
Mead Chapel

Yoga Mon, 9:30-10:30 am, Thurs, 6:15-7:00 pm,
Mead Chapel

Zumba Wednesday, 6:30 pm in the Commons

Acolyte Training – Bringing the flame into a Worship service is a very real and fun way for our children to be active ministers in the faith community. We will be training any new 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th graders who choose to participate. Acolyting is easy and meaningful. We are training just after the early service at 9:40 am today and August 18. Meet in the back of the church and find Director of Children and Youth Education, Bogart Nomad. Pastor Kent will also visit with the new trainees.



Questions? Contact Bogart at
Bogart.Nomad@fumcomaha.org
or call 402-556-6262 x1008.

SAVE THE DATE Please mark your calendars for our Annual Charge Conference on Sunday, **November 17, 2019 at 3:00 pm**. Bishop Ruben Saenz Jr. will be preaching to the joint charge conference. Meeting will be held at

St. Andrew's UMC (15050 W Maple Rd)

Small Groups @FUMC

Small groups are a way for members in our faith community to come together based upon a shared interest and spark fellowship and meaningful relationships. While we have several small groups already in place at FUMC, we are always looking to add more! **Stop by the Crossroad Commons to put down your inspiration of what kind of small group that would peak your interest!** These groups can be formed around anything – book club, a love of coffee, nature walks, etc. They are open for all, and do not have to meet every week or even meet at the church! We want to empower our community of faith to grow in their development with God and with others. The Welcome and Support Team will gather your ideas at the end of August, and unveil our new FUMC Small Groups at the Fall Kick-Off Picnic in September! For more information, or to submit your small group idea via e-mail, please contact

Candice Nielsen at
Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org.