Sunday

January 1, 2023 10:50 am

"The cosmos is within us.

We are made of star-stuff.

We are a way for the universe to know itself."

~ Carl Sagan



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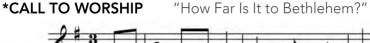


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Oliver Messiaen

WELCOME





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*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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Red hymnal #254

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We invite all to sign in on the pads found near the center aisle of your pew.

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COMMUNION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Black Hymnal #2257a-d

Prayers of Concern Prayers of Thanksgiving

LORD'S PRAYER

Divine Presence in heaven, blessed be your name, your kindom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today the bread we need. Forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from trying times, and deliver us from evil. For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Everyone is invited to share in this holy sacrament. Please cup your hands to receive the bread, then dip the bread into the cup.

BUILDING A CULTURE OF GENEROSITY

*CLOSING HYMN

"The First Noel"

Red hymnal #245

BLESSING FOR THE JOURNEY

POSTLUDE

"Praise Him, Sun and Moon; Praise Him, Ye Stars of Light"
Robert Hebble

Please join us after the service today to remove our Christmas decorations.
We would appreciate any help you can give.
Food will be provided.

Welcome

We are happy to have you worship with us this morning! Join us Sunday mornings for worship at 8:30 & 10:50 am, and Faith Studies Classes at 9:35-10:35 am for children, youth, and adults.

Personal listening devices and large-print hymnals & worship guides are available from the ushers. Please silence your phones. Children are always welcome in worship; childcare is also available in the Nursery, located in the east hallway.

All are welcome.

Today is Sunday, January 1, 2023

10:50 am Worship Service, the Sanctuary9:35 am No Faith Studies or Sunday School

Faith Studies @First

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

Children Sunday School - Our children will meet every Sunday for activities and fun! Every Sunday will be something fun and different!

• 2 years - 2nd grade

Room 206

• 3rd grade - 5th grade

Room 209

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.

• Jr High & Sr High (6th-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 — We gather at 9:30, and begin a 20-minute sit in silence at 9:35, closing with The Lord's Prayer. All are welcome.

Mead Chapel, Door #9 or 11

Connections — These Gen-Xers meet to discuss the place of faith in addressing current social challenges. **Room 107**

Explorers — Seekers who inquire in depth by reading and discussing a book.

Adult Education Library

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

Young Adult Class — These Millennials meet to discuss current events and our faith. **East Parlor**

Please check out our online calendar at fumcomaha.org/events for

From Participants to Partners

We welcome *ALL* to meaningful participation in the life and ministries of FUMC Omaha. When you are ready to move from meaningful participant to meaningful membership through your prayers, presence, gifts, service, witness, and enthusiasm, please contact Morita or Maddi by e-mail or phone; they would be delighted to answer your questions and get to know you better!

Morita.Truman@fumcomaha.org; 402-556-6262 x 1002 Maddi.Baugous@fumcomaha.org; 402-556-6262 x 1006

You are invited to explore the many ways we are a community, growing and sharing love to bring change into the world:

Mercy & Justice Ministry Teams

Eco Team, Feeding Ministries, Fiercely Inclusive Team, Immigration Ministry, Poverty Education and Advocacy Team (PEAT), Omaha Together One Community (OTOC), Racial Justice, Salt & Light, Volunteer in Mission (VIM)

Music Ministries

Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, Youth and Children's Choirs, Instrumentalists, Summer Choir

Spiritual Practices

Centering Prayer, Labyrinth, Tai Chi, Taizé Worship

Faith Studies

Adult classes: Boomers +/-, Centering Prayer, Connections, Explorers, Faith Links, Young Adult.

Youth & Children

Youth and Children Sunday School 3 years - 12th grade. United Methodist Youth Group (UMYF).

Health, Healing & Spiritual Formation

Blood Pressure Screening, HELP Closet, Parish Nurse, Stephen Ministries, Tai Chi

Church Volunteers & Fellowship Groups

Afternoon Circle, Book Review, Craft Group, Front Desk, Hospitality Crew, Movie Group, Mow Crew, Stitchin' Sisters, Transportation Ministry, United Women in Faith (UWF), Wedding Assistants, Welcome & Support Team

For more information on any of these groups, please contact Cass Opal, Director of Communication & Membership, at Cass.Opal@fumcomaha.org or call 402-556-6262 x1001

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm Closed Friday & Saturday



Announcing

January 1, 2023



Monday, January 2

Building Closed

10:30 - 11:30 am Ruth Kruse Celebration of Life, Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 3

9:00 am Facebook Devotion

10:00 - 11:00 am Staff Meeting, Room 112

Wednesday, January 4

5:30 - 6:15 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

6:30 - 8:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

6:30 – 8:00 pm AA Meeting, Ada Mead Hall

Thursday, January 5

10:00 am - 12:00 pm United Women in Faith, Room 112

9:00 am Facebook Devotion

Friday, January 6

9:30 - 10:30 am Together We Win, Room 111

9:30 - 11:30 am Tai-Chi, Mead Chapel

Saturday, January 7

5:00 - 6:00 pm Taizé Service, Mead Chapel

Sunday, January 8

8:30 - 9:30 am Sunday Morning Early Worship, Sanctuary

Faith Studies / Sunday School

9:35 - 10:30 am Boomers, Room 112

9:35 - 10:30 am Connections, Room 104

9:35 - 10:30 am Explorers, Library

9:35 - 10:30 am Faithlinks, Room 111

9:35 - 10:30 am Children's Sunday School, Room 206 & 209

9:35 - 10:30 am Youth Sunday School, Room 114

9:35 - 10:30 am Young Adults Sunday School, Parlor

9:30 - 10:15 am Centering Prayer - Mead Chapel

10:50 am - 11:50 am

Sunday Morning Worship, Sanctuary

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

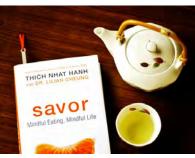
Confirmation Classes

Starting January 8th running every Sunday thru April, with April 16th being Confirmation Sunday.

For more into contact Chris Marshall 402-660-7932 Chris.marshall@fumcomaha.org

Savor: Mindful Eating, Mindful Life six week book study offered via zoom starting January 12

Would you like a healthier relationship with food? You are invited to join others for a weekly conversation about the book Savor: Mindful Eating, Mindful Life by Thich Nhat Hanh and Dr. Lilian Cheung. Learning from the Buddhist



tradition, we will get beyond shame and guilt and explore ways in which we can truly enjoy and savor food AND nurture a more healthy, mindful life.

The group will meet via zoom Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. starting January 12 and concluding February 16th.

We encourage buying books from local book sellers like Urban Abbey. They can also be purchased used (recycled is good for the environment) online.

Contact Carol Windrum if you have interest in joining this book study, cawindrum@gmail.com

CHURCH COUNCIL

All church members are welcome to attend and participate.

Tuesday, January 10 6:00 pm Room 112





A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Ruth Kruse

October 26, 1930 - December 13, 2022

January 2, 2023 | 10:30 am
First United Methodist Church Omaha

A Culture of Generosity

At Omaha First we believe generosity is a spiritual practice. When a gift is given faithfully we consider it sacred. For those able to participate in financial giving, you may support your community of faith in these ways:

Mail your check to the church: 7020 Cass Street, Omaha, NE 68132

On our website: www.fumcomaha.org/giving, on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/FUMComaha. We give thanks for the continued generosity of our faithful members and friends. If you have questions regarding your giving, please contact our Finance Director,

Noni Cambridge, at Noni.Cambridge@fumcomaha.org.



The FUMC building will be closed Monday, January 2

Clair Cares Food Pantry

Volunteers Needed!

For More Information, Contact Judy Prenzler at prenzler@cox.net
Next Opportunity for Volunteering:

January 19 & 20

5544 Ames Ave, Omaha

Donations of food or money are always welcome. We are in need of nonperishable food items.

Please drop off at FUMC, 7020 Cass St., 8:30 am - 4:00 pm M - Th (food donation container provided outside door #2)

LIVING HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Open M-F, 10 am - 4 pm

Tri Community UMC, 6001 Fontenelle Blvd, Omaha

Closed on major holidays.

Volunteers needed for all days.

Contact Ron Alexander at rwalexander222@gmail.com
Drop off Food Donations at FUMC

(food donation container provided outside door #2)



MOVIE GROUP

Tuesday, January 10, 6 pm, via ZOOM!

BANSHEES

of INISHERIN

Optional dinner before Zoom meeting at local restaurant.

Email Bonnie Wallace at bonniewallace59@gmail.com

Taizé Worship

Meditative Spirituality with Distinctive Music and Candlelight

Saturday, January 7 5:00pm | Mead Chapel (enter door 9 or 11)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Inspired by the Taizé ecumenical community in France, the Taizé Prayer Service has spread around the world because of its unique style inviting people into a deeper experience of

God's love. The service includes songs, short readings, spoken prayers and silence. The beautiful chapel and the use of candles add to the meditative nature of the service.

The service is an opportunity to open our hearts and minds, to listen and to rest in Divine Presence. It is a spiritual practice.





Saturday, January 21, 2023 | 7 - 10 pm Suggested Donation \$10 | 18 and under Free

Squares, Rounds, Contras, Polkas, Waltzes & More *Great Family Fun!* No Experience Necessary!

All Dances Taught by Caller Eric Manley

Sponsored by the Lively Rivertown String Band

First United Methodist Church

7020 Cass Street Omaha, NE 68132 • 402.556.6262 Enter through door #4 on the East side



Church Staff Contact Information

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Listed below are the four digit staff extension numbers.

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PASTORAL CARE

If you are in need of additional support, pastoral care, or there is an emergency, please reach out to

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Morita.Truman@fumcomaha.org or call 402.556.6262 x1002

Maddi Baugous at

Maddi.Baugous@fumcomaha.org or call 402.556.6262 x1006

We are here for you!



You can also email Lynne Elwood lelwood2@amail.com to be added to our prayer chain.

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On-Line Service - 10:50 only Facebook.com/FUMCOmaha

