



Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church
Tuesday, January 30, 2023

Lenten Devotions Publication

Faith stories have begun to trickle in, but we have a long way to go to get 40! Remember, they don't have to be complex or long or elaborate — just a short testament about your faith. You can drop it off at the office or email to Lisa at lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com.

Amazon Gift Card Drive for Raenelle Thoms

By now most of you have heard that there was a damaging fire at Schuyler Elementary School recently. First UMC member Raenelle Thoms's classroom was a total loss.

Twenty-four years of teaching resources and supplies were gone overnight. The Missions Committee is sponsoring an Amazon Gift Card drive for Raenelle so she can start to put her classroom back together. Scrip offers \$25 Amazon cards, as do most major retailers in town. We will collect the cards in the office through Sunday, February 4 and pass them on to Raenelle.



Fourth Quarter



**Contribution Statements
are being mailed out
today, January 30. Please
take note of the special
insert enclosed!**



How are you called to serve?

As we approach this Lenten season, there's no better time to evaluate our spiritual gifts. What special thoughts or feelings has God put on your heart lately? Do you feel able to act on them, or is something holding you back?

It's important to remember that our spiritual gifts are flexible and fluid. They grow and increase in number over time, further enhancing both our service work and our personal ministries. Discovering or reassessing our spiritual gifts reveals many opportunities for our personal and group ministry activities — where they are now, and what they could become in the future.

If you want to learn more about harnessing the power of your spiritual gifts, call the church office, or email me at lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com.

Lisa Nielsen

Coordinator of Communications and Laity Development

Our Church

This Week at a Glance: Wednesday, 1/31 — Tuesday, 2/6

Wednesday January 31	Thursday February 1	Friday February 2	Saturday February 3	Sunday February 4	Monday February 5	Tuesday February 6
UMM Prayer Breakfast 6:30 AM • FH Wednesday Afterschool & JAM Activities 2:30 PM • FH Prayer Team 4 PM • Lib Al-Anon 5:30 PM • #007	Aware 10:30 AM • Marilyn's House <u>Red Cross Blood Drive</u> Noon • CmR <u>Sleeping Matt Weaving</u> 1 PM • Room down from Quilting Room Food Pantry 4 PM NAMI 7 PM • Lib	<u>Columbus Homeschool</u> 9 AM • CmR/YU <u>Habitat for Humanity</u> Noon • WR		Worship On-Site at 8 AM Worship On-Site & Online at 10:30 AM Confirmation Session 1 PM • GA <u>4H Robotics</u> 1 PM • Ald	Crown Villa Bible Study 1 PM • Dining Room GriefShare 3 PM • Lib PEO/FJ 7 PM • FH	<u>Quilters</u> 9 AM • Quilter's Rm Tues AM Bible Study 9 AM • CP <u>CMS Dodgeballers</u> 4 PM • CmR Martial Arts 5:30 PM • #006 Support Group 5:45 PM • #007 GROWMen 6 PM • Sanct Choir Rehearsal 6 PM • Sanct <u>Boy Scouts #212</u> 6:30 PM • CmR
Blue women's groups Dark Red men's groups Green worship	Orange youth Purple caring ministries Brown First UMC program/admin mtgs	Pink small groups Bright Red special events	Bold = First UMC event Unbold = outside event or community partner <u>Underlined</u> = at the Outreach Center	Room Key: Church Sanct Sanctuary BP Backpack Room CR Community Room MR Meditation Room QR Quilter's Room	Room Key: Outreach Center Ald Aldersgate CP Chapel Parlor FH Fellowship Hall GA Gathering Area Lib Library	RR Robotics Room WR Wesley Room YU Youth Underground

Upcoming

mark your calendars

**February 4 / 2023 Mission Shares
Celebration Pancake Feed!**

February 11/ Confirmation Sunday

February 14 / Ash Wednesday

February 21 / Lenton Luncheon
(1 of 5)

**February 23 & 24 / Caring
Congregations Webinar**
Times to be announced.

**Does your 2023 Nativity
look like this?**
**If not, you may be missing a
piece or two!**



If you're missing pieces from this year's Children's Nativity Set, please stop in the office. There are only a few pieces left. (Sorry, no complete sets left.)

The Kids



Enchilada Sales

February 5-21, 2024

Sold by the dozen. Purchase from a youth mission team member or the church office.

Chicken, Beef, or Cheese (\$26/dozen)

Will be ready for pick up on March 8 after 3 PM.



January 31

Wear something Super Bowl!



If you are missing any pieces from this year's Children's Nativity Set, please stop in the office.

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Confirmation
Sunday

February 11

10:30 service

Please continue to pray for our Confirmands, Sponsors, Parents, and instructors in finals weeks before Confirmation Sunday.

Confirmands: Skyler Swearingen, Cade Gaedeke, Landon Heule, Izzy King, and Aurorah Metcalfe

Mentors: Bob Adams, Gordon Kosch, Alan Danforth, Jane Galley, and Anne Kallesen

Instructors: Pastor K and Sarah Borgman

Parents: Tim and Robin Swearingen, John and Cody Heule, Chad and Christine Gaedeke, Jason and Emilie Metcalfe, and Manuel and LeeAnna King-Ortiz



Youth Choir is back!!!

Practice will be Sundays from
9:50—10:10 AM at the church.
Meet in the Fellowship Hall!

For Grades 3-12!

The “Want” Ads

Help our church be seen and heard!

We’re looking for a few more people to run sound and livestream our services. Training provided! Contact the Church Office if you would like to participate.

Our youth need change for the Coin Vortex at the Outreach Center! The kids LOVE to put your change in! And all donations go to UMCOR. You can give your contributions to Sarah Borgman when you see her, or feel free to bring them to the office anytime between 7:30 AM and 6 PM, Monday thru Thursday.

If you would like to help with the **sleeping mat project** but can’t attend the Thursday afternoon weaving sessions, you can **cut plastic bags** at home to be used during the weaving sessions! Check out the tutorial video at www.midwestmission.org/loom, or stop into the office and have Lisa show you. It’s easy, it’s fun, and it’s for a great cause!



The Green Team

The Green Team is looking for people to help with recycling efforts at the church and Outreach Center.

We also need people to help make sleeping mats.

Contact **Rodney** at **402-910-8434**.



**American
Red Cross**

**First UMC Red Cross
Blood Drive
Monday, February 26
Noon-6 pm**

Blood donations are critically needed at this time. As an extra incentive to give, **all contributors at the 2/26 drive will receive a \$20 Amazon Gift Card.** Call Connie Jensen at 402-910-9725 today to schedule your appointment!



Remember to buy Scrip gift cards from the Church — good for all your shopping and gift-giving needs! Scrip purchases provide valuable revenue for church-related expenses! Check out our current list of cards available for purchase on page 9.

Committee and Small Group Opportunities

Committees

Camping*

Doug Kallesen, dkallesen@neb.rr.com (Contact Doug for information on additional opportunities to help as they arise.)

Care Team*

TBD

Christian Social Witness

4th Monday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Jamie Snyder, rsnyder4@neb.rr.com

Education

2nd Monday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Raenelle Thoms, rlwalgren@yahoo.com

Endowment*

Doug Olson, dmolson@neb.rr.com

Evangelism

2nd Monday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Liz Lash, lizzielash@gmail.com

Memorial

2nd Tuesdays • 2 PM • TBD, [Email]

Missions

2nd Monday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Jane Schneider, jeffschneider68601@gmail.com

OPS Team

4th Tuesday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Miki Naylor, mikinaylor@yahoo.com

Worship

2nd Monday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Alan Danforth, awdhusker42@gmail.com

Youth Ministry

2nd Monday/monthly • 6:30 PM • Sarah Borgman, sarah.borgman@columbusfumc.com

*as scheduled

Adult Sunday School

Kaleidoscope

Sunday AM • 9 AM • Room 007

Jim Hanna, Denny Kinkaid, Rocky Plettner
jim.hanna@frontier.com, rud2@eaglecom.net,
rg1plett@gmail.com

Seekers

Sunday AM • 9 AM • 006

Brook Seams, Doug Kallesen
seamsbrooke@gmail.com, dkallesen@neb.rr.com

Women's Groups

United Women in Faith

Good Morning Circle

Third Wednesday of the Month • 9:30 AM, Chapel Parlor •
Cindy Rohde, cindyrohde86@yahoo.com

Friendship Circle

Third Wednesday of the Month • NOON • Gathering Area •
Martha Davidson, davidsonj6@outlook.com

Eve Circle

Third Wednesday of the Month • 1:30 AM, Chapel Parlor •
Arlene Loseke, 402-564-4825

UWF Book Review Club

Fourth Thursday of the Month • 1:30 PM • Chapel Parlor •
Anne Kallesen, dkallesen@neb.rr.com

Men's Groups

United Methodist Men

UMM/GROWMen Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday Mornings • 6:30 AM • Fellowship Hall •
Bob Williams, rrwilliams3841@gmail.com

GROWMen

First Tuesday of the Month • 6:00 PM • Fellowship Hall •
Doug Kallesen, dkallesen@neb.rr.com

Music Groups

Chancel Choir

Sarah Cunningham • Tuesdays, 6 PM • Sanctuary
lilun1973@gmail.com

Contact Lisa
at 402-564-8463 or at
lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com
for corrections, additions
or deletions.

More Small Group; Youth Opportunities

Small Groups

AAA*

Janet Jones, lkhiggs@gmail.com

Alpha*

Anne Kallesen, dkallesen@neb.rr.com

Aware

Thursdays/weekly • 10:30 AM • Marilyn Zehring's House
mhzehri@icloud.com

Backpack Program

Tuesdays/weekly • 10 AM & 5:30 PM
Denene Owens, denene1@neb.rr.com (Contact Denene for
information on additional opportunities to help as they arise.)

Bible Study

Thursday/monthly • 10:30 AM • Meridian Gardens
Martha Davidson, davidsonj6@outlook.com and
Anne Kallesen, dkallesen@neb.rr.com

Griefshare*

Dee Kinkaid, rud2@eaglecom.net

Helping Hands*

Lisa Nielsen, lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com

Keystone

First Friday/monthly • 11:45 AM • Columbus Community Cntr.
Martha Davidson, davidsonj6@outlook.com

Meridian Gardens Bible Study

Thursdays/weekly • 2 PM • Meridian Gardens Comm. Room
Martha Davidson, davidsonj6@outlook.com

Prayer Shawl Group*

Ann Chesley, chesley1@frontiernet.net

Prayer Team

Wednesdays/weekly • 6:30 PM • Library
Martha Davidson, davidsonj6@outlook.com

Spiritual Gifts*

Lisa Nielsen, lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tuesdays/weekly • 9 AM • Library
Brooke Seams, seams.brooke@gmail.com

Quilters

Tuesdays/weekly • 9 AM • Quilters Room •
Nancy Hanna, nancy.hanna48@gmail.com

Youth Sunday School

Youth Sunday School Classes

Sundays, 9 AM • Nursery — High School Seniors
Sarah Borgman, sarah.borgman@columbusfumc.org

Wednesday Nite JAM Youth Groups

Kidz Korner (grades K– Grade 4)

Robin Swearingen and Seulki Lee • Wednesday, 7 – 8 PM • OC

Fever (Grades 5-8)

Sarah Borgman, Nancy Hansen, Gordon Kosch, Renee
DeLaCruz • Wednesday, 7 – 8 PM • OC

Katalyst (High School)

Brian and Judy Dobbs • Wednesday, 7—8 PM • OC

Youth Mission Trip*

as scheduled*

Sarah Borgman • sarah.borgman@columbusfumc.com

Teen Alpha*

as scheduled*

Sarah Borgman • sarah.borgman@columbusfumc.com

Don't see your
group listed?
Contact Lisa
at 402-564-8463
or

lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com!

**as scheduled*

Our Church Family



HAPPY Anniversary!

January 30

Katie Ferris
Tim Owens
Ginger Willard

January 31

Tim Garretson
Nora Lash
Tania Stahl
Rodney Supencheck

February 1

Hunter Gassmann

February 2

Payton Stephan
Sara Weber

February 3

Dakota Hoyt
Kodie Kracl

February 4

Maven Hill
Beth Kurtenbach

February 6

Tracy Krepel
Jesse Timm

February 8

Duane Fluckiger
Shannon Svasek

February 9

Jenny Trotter

February 10

Keith Riley

February 11

Brandon Avila-Boswell

February 12

Doug Olson
Lisa Schacher
Jeff Vasina
Jonathan Weil
Scott Zwick

February 13

Macy Carlson
Jill Colegrove

February 14

Dan Davidchik
Pam Folsom
Jutta Graham
Dorothy Olson

February 8

Rich & Cindy Rohde — 38 years
PO Box 487 Genoa, NE 68640-0487

February 12

Joe & Debrah Hanson — 47 years
PO Box 292 Platte Center, NE 68653-0292

February 14

Warren & Michelle Voorhees — 18 years
PO Box 243 Platte Center, NE 68653-0243

February 26

Nick & Cindy Kool — 41
2455 23rd Avenue



Altar Flowers 2024

The Altar Flower Calendar is posted in the Gathering Area and ready for your sign-ups! Providing Altar Flowers is a lovely way to honor or remember loved ones and friends.

Our X-Y-Z Members

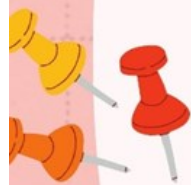
(90+ years young and up) are listed in bold with addresses included for your card-sending convenience!

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, made an error listing it or if you would prefer not to have it listed, please call the Church Office at 402-564-8463 to let us know.



**LOOKING FOR
ADVISORS
TEACHERS / HELPERS**

COLUMBUS FUMC AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM



**PIANO, GUITAR, ANY INSTRUMENTS, CRAFT, SEWING, QUILTING,
KNITTING, COOKING, MUSIC, DANCE, PLAY, AND SO ON!
IF YOU WOULD LOVE TO HELP PLAN THE PROGRAM
OR TEACH KIDS, LET SEULKI KNOW!!**



ASK NOW!



REV. SEULKI CHOI

slhoho87@gmail.com

862-246-3096





\$crip available for Purchase\$

Ace Hardware - \$25
Amazon - **\$10 (*)**, \$25
Amigos - \$10
Applebee's - \$10, \$25
Arby's - \$5
Bath & Body Works - \$10
Bed, Bath, and Beyond - \$10, \$25
Big Apple Bagel - \$5
Buckle - \$25
Burger King - \$10
Cabela's - \$25
Casey's - \$25, \$100
CVS Pharmacy - \$25
Dairy Queen - \$10
Dunkin Donuts - \$25
"NEW"
El Tapatio - \$10
Famous Footwear - \$25
Godfather's Pizza - \$10
Hobby Lobby - \$25
Husker House - \$20
Hy-Vee - \$25, \$50, \$100
iTunes - \$15
J.C. Penney's - \$25
Kohl's - \$25
Maurice's - \$20



McDonald's - \$10
Menard's - \$25, \$50
Olive Garden - \$25
Panda Express - \$25
Panera Bread - \$10
Papa Murphy's - \$10
Picket Fence - \$10
Pizza Hut - \$10
Pizza Ranch - \$25
Runza - \$10
Scooter's - \$10
Sephora - \$25 "NEW"
Sheels Sporting Goods - \$25
Stack 'n Steak - \$10
Starbucks - **\$5 (*)**, \$10
Subway - \$10
Super Saver - \$20, \$50, \$100
Taco Bell - \$10
Target - **\$10 (*)**, \$25
Tooley Drug - \$10, \$20, \$50
Under Armor - \$25
Valentino's - \$10, \$20
Walgreen's - \$25
Wal-Mart - **\$10 (*)**, \$25, \$100
Wendy's - \$25

(*) = Seasonal

Church Worship

Sunday 8 AM Worship

Sunday JAM (Jesus and Me) — **9 AM**
(all ages!)

10:30 AM Worship

**Sarah's Bible Story on Facebook
& Website @ 9 AM on Sundays!**

Outreach Center Worship

Wednesday Nite JAM — 6:30 PM
(all ages!)

Facebook Page

First UMC & Outreach Center
Columbus, NE



Instagram

Firstumccolumbusne

YouTube Channel

First UMC & Outreach Center
Columbus, NE



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Front Desk Volunteers

*Contact the office
for more information!*



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Church

2710 14th Street
402-564-8463

Outreach Center

3602 16th Street
402-564-8362

Church Office Hours: Monday — Thursday, 7:30 AM to 6 PM

The Church Office is open over the lunch hour.

The West Doors are open during business hours.