



Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church
Tuesday, October 31, 2023

This Week at a Glance: Wednesday, 10/31 — Tuesday, 11/7

Wednesday November 1	Thursday November 2	Friday November 3	Saturday November 4	Sunday November 5	Monday November 6	Tuesday November 7
UMM Prayer Breakfast 6:30 AM • FH <u>Wednesday Afterschool</u> 2:30 PM • CmR <u>Wednesday Nite Meal</u> 5:30 PM • CmR <u>Wednesday Nite JAM</u> 6:30 • WR AI-Anon 5:30 PM • #007 Robotics (Kitt) 6 PM • RR Prayer Team 6:30 PM • Lib	AWARE 10:30 AM • Marilyn Zehring's House <u>Red Cross Drive</u> 11:30 AM • CmR Afternoon Alpha 2 PM • FH <u>First UM Food Pantry</u> 4 PM — 6 PM Martial Arts 5:30 PM • #006 Girl Scouts (Hobza) 6 PM • FH <u>Driver's Ed</u> 7 PM • CmR NAMI 7 PM • Lib CCC Choir Rehearsal 7 PM • Sanct	<u>Columbus Homeschoolers</u> 9 AM • CmR <u>Habitat for Humanity</u> Noon • WR	Remember to set your clocks back ... :-)	We're BACK to the CHURCH!!! <u>All Saints Sunday</u> Worship On-Site at 8 AM <u>Worship On-Site & Online at 10:30 AM</u> <u>4H Robotics</u> 1 PM • Ald <u>Robotics (Kitt)</u> 1 PM • RR <u>Habitat for Humanity</u> <u>High School Group</u> 3:45 PM • WR Group Gathering 4 PM • GA <u>Teen Alpha</u> 6:30 PM • YR	CCC Choir Rehearsal 11 AM • Sanct <u>Crown Villa Bible Study</u> 1 PM • Dining Room Grief Share 4 PM • Lib <u>Center for Survivors</u> 5:30 PM • YU PEO/FJ 6 PM • FH	Quilters 9 AM • Quilter's Rm <u>Tues AM Bible Study</u> 9 AM • CP <u>CMS Dodgeballers</u> 4 PM • CmR Choir Rehearsal 6 PM • WR GROW Men 6 PM • FH <u>Boy Scouts #212</u> 6:30 PM • CmR <u>Driver's Ed</u> 7 PM • CmR Survivors of Suicide 7 PM • Lib
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: Downtown 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

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and MORE!

Surviving the Holidays

Monday, November 13 • 2 PM
in the Library

If grief makes the holidays difficult for you,
join us for this 2-hour session that will give
you tips and tools for getting through.

No fee, and please feel welcome to stay for
the GriefShare session afterward. Contact
the Church Office at 402-564-8463 or
Dee Kinkaid at 402-564-6599.

Coming Soon

Upcoming

mark your calendars

November 5 / 1st Sunday Potluck

Host: UMM/Grow Men

Entrée: Fried Chicken

November 10-11 / Youth Pie Making

Pies will be ready after 6 PM on

Nov 11 in the Fellowship Hall

November 16 / Souper Soups!

Contact the office for more information.

December 3 / 1st Sunday of Advent

1st Sunday Potluck

Host: TBD

Entrée: TBD

December 9/ UWF Christmas Coffee

December 10 / 2nd Sunday of Advent

December 17 / 3rd Sunday of Advent

Christmas Program!

December 24 / Christmas Eve

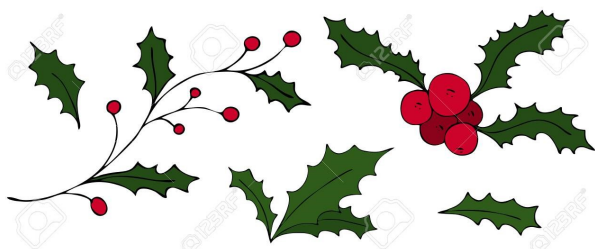
5 Services!

8 AM

10:30 AM

5 PM—Family Service

7 PM—Carols with Brass



Worship

Sunday, November 5

at the Downtown Church!

- ♦ 8 AM Service
- ♦ 10:30 AM Service



Scripture Readings

Joshua 3:7-17

Matthew 23:1-12



FALL SERVICE DAYS 2023

Join us for any or all of our fall service days. In September help get the site ready for our Fontanelle Fall Fest and opening of the corn maze. In November you'll help get the site ready for winter.



**Come when you can;
leave when you must!**



November 4th 9am

There are always a variety of tasks to complete, both outdoor and indoor, so you can choose what works best for you. Just check in at Riverview Lodge to see the list and choose your job.

If you have work gloves or tools please bring them as camp has a limited number available.

Lunch is provided

Questions? Contact the office 402-478-4296
or email Ryan.rsiver@greatplainsumc.org

Spiritual Gifts in Action

Help someone stay warm this season!
"We've Got You Covered" will again collect coats, hats, scarves, gloves and mittens for those in need this winter season. Bring gently used items to church and place in collection bin.



Monday, 11/13— Friday, 11/17
from Columbus Community Hospital.

Contact **Paul Badje** at **402-564-8863**
if you would like to assist!



**Just a few Thank You's
from the Youth and
Education Committee!**

- 1) Thank you to Denny Kinkaid, Rex Hash, and Elisha Maxwell for hauling tables from and to the church for the Youth Craft Fair.
- 2) Thank you to Jean and Alan Danforth, Jim Hannah, and Sarah Cunningham with your help for the Youth Service.
- 3) AND...Thank you to ALL who donated items or helped out with the Fall Family Festival.

Loom Training Class This Thursday!

November 2 • 1 PM

At the Outreach Center in the
Aldersgate Room!

(down the hall from the Quilters Room)

Unable to make the training? You can watch a video on how to work the loom at <https://www.midwestmission.org/loom>.

"And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work."

2 Corinthians 9:8 (ESV)

It's been said that "God doesn't call the equipped — he equips the called". Is this true? Yes and no. Sometimes God calls on us to do things we don't feel ready to take on, in which case he helps us to acquire the means to fulfill those calls along the way. But really, a "call to ministry" in its simplest form is nothing more than God activating someone's spiritual gifts!

Our spiritual gifts are flexible and fluid, and often grow and increase in number as our personal ministry interests expand over time. I was astonished to learn that in addition to spiritual gifts, we all have personal ministries as well. We may not even realize we have them. Discovering our spiritual gifts sheds great light on our personal ministries — where they are now, and what they could become in the future.

A personal ministry doesn't have to be "church-y" to count. The late **Marvin Sidel**, a former church member, was widely known for randomly passing out to people cartoons, jokes and funny stories he came across in area print publications. He did this everywhere — the grocery store, the convenience mart, restaurants — anyplace you might meet him, he would have something light-hearted to share. He spent a lot of time finding these items, making copies at the library and cutting them up into small pocket-sized pieces. Though I didn't recognize this as a personal ministry at the time, I still miss receiving those funny little bits Marv would pass out.

Imagine the personal ministries you offer that you might not even be aware of! In 2024, there will be lots of opportunities for you to further define and refine how your spiritual gifts inherently lead you in your ministries.

*Lisa Nielsen
Coordinator of Communications and Laity Development*

The “Want” Ads

WANTED:

**A few good men, women,
and young people, too!**

Acolytes, Advent Wreath Lighters, Communion Assistants, Greeters, Lectors, Ushers, Office Assistants — there’s something for everyone wanting to serve. Contact the Church Office at **402-564-8463** to sign up!

Calling All Instrumentalists!

Christmas Eve will be here before we know it!
If you would like to play for the 7 PM
Christmas Eve service, contact Rex Hash
at rex.hash@columbusfumc.com.

Advent Worship Leaders

We need individuals or families to light the Advent wreath and read the accompanying scripture and prayer for each of the following Advent Sundays:

December 3 • 8AM and 10:30 AM
December 10 • 8AM and 10:30 AM
December 17 • 8AM and 10:30 AM
December 24 • 8AM and 10:30 AM

Sign-up sheets will be available at all worship services as of **October 15**, or you can call the church office to reserve your date and time. This is an excellent opportunity for you or you and your family to live out and lead with your faith at this, the most wonderful time of the year.

Souper Soups!

Thursday, 11/16

Lunch: 11 AM—1 PM Dinner: 4 PM—7 PM

sandwich makers • dessert cutters •
sandwich and dessert room runners •
dining room and bake sale staff •
dishwashers • pie, dessert and bake sale
contributors ... and MORE!

Watch for sign-up sheets or contact the Church Office at **402-564-8463** to let us know how you would like to help!

Help our church be seen and heard!

As we look forward to returning to our downtown location, 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.



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**.

Our Church Family



HAPPY Anniversary!

October 31

Alex Asmus
Jason Bell
Evan Svasek

November 1

Kara Asmus
Jim Dittmer

November 2

Carl Roberts

November 3

Kyle Hein
Chris King
Blakely Scott

November 4

Gisela Gross
Sue Overturf

November 5

Kaylee Allen
Kyle Allen
Audrey Burns

November 6

Aden Andel
Hayden Hobza

November 7

Darrell Burrows

November 8

Shawn Henk
Pam Rohde

November 9

Connie Jensen
Judy Stankoski

November 11

Shirley Bohaboj
Vivian Lee
Robert Markham

November 12

Tim Hoffman
Carol Keller
Donna Pearson

November 13

Ethan Chohon

November 14

Martha Furbur

November 15

Kathleen Johnson

November 5

Jason & Ann Hardy — 29 years
4512 27th Street

November 6

Chris & Raenelle Thoms — 19 years
2717 36th Street

November 7

Dean & Ann Chesley — 59 years
2753 38th Avenue

November 8

Terry & Vickie Boss — 43 years
12 Clear Lake

November 11

Jim & Marilyn Carroll — 46 years
3917 31st Street

November 18

Rudy & Renee DeLaCruz — 23 years
3213 18th Street

November 22

Chad & Chris Gaedeke — 15 years
3106 36th Street

November 23

Bob & Betty Blaser — 60 years
26988 145th Street

Our X-Y-Z Members (90+ years young and up) are listed in bold with the address 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 402-564-8453 to let us know.



Christian Education, Youth & More



Sunday JAM is back at the church.

Classroom locations are posted throughout the building.

Sundays: 9:00—10:10 AM



Adult Prayer Buddies Needed for Children and Youth

Contact Sarah if you wish to be a prayer buddy for one of our children or youth. NO MONEY; NO GIFTS!!!

We can not start until all youth have a buddy. We are still in need of about 5-6 adult buddies.

Join us for
Wednesday J.A.M!
(Grades K—12)

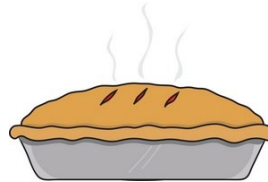
2:30 PM — Afterschool Program

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM — Meal

6:30 PM to 7:00 PM — Worship

7 PM to 8 PM—J.A.M. Groups

**Everyone is welcome —
hope to see you there!**



Youth Homemade Pie Making

November 10-11
Church Fellowship Hall

Adults and youth in grades 5-12 are welcome to help make pies. We will start at 4 PM on November 10th and go until we are done with the pies set aside for Friday making. We will start back up on Saturday at 7 am and go until done.

Come when you can and leave when you need to. Meals are provided!!!!



**Youth Mission 2024:
Kentucky June 8 –16, 2024**

All interested youth in Grades 8-12 and adult chaperones aged 25 and older can register now. **There is a \$50 nonrefundable deposit due at sign up.**

Want more information?
See Sarah Borgman.



November 29

Wear Flannel Day!



\$scrip available for Purchase

Ace Hardware - \$25	Maurice's - \$20
Amazon - \$10 (*) , \$25	McDonald's - \$10
Amigos - \$10	Menard's - \$25, \$50
Applebee's - \$10, \$25	Olive Garden - \$25
Arby's - \$5	Panda Express - \$25
Barnes & Noble Bookstore, \$10, \$25	Panera Bread - \$10
Bath & Body Works - \$10	Papa Murphy's - \$10
Bed, Bath, and Beyond - \$10, \$25	Picket Fence - \$10
Big Apple Bagel - \$5	Pizza Hut - \$10
Buckle - \$25	Pizza Ranch - \$25
Burger King - \$10	Runza - \$10
Cabela's - \$25	Scooter's - \$10
Casey's - \$25, \$100	Stack 'n Steak - \$10
CVS Pharmacy - \$25	Starbucks - \$5 (*) , \$10
Dairy Queen - \$10	Subway - \$10
El Tapatio - \$10	Super Saver - \$20, \$50, \$100
Famous Footwear - \$25	Taco Bell - \$10
Godfather's Pizza - \$10	Target - \$10 (*) , \$25
Hobby Lobby - \$25	Tooley Drug - \$10, \$20, \$50
Husker House - \$20	Under Armor - \$25
Hy-Vee - \$25, \$50, \$100	Valentino's - \$10, \$20
iTunes - \$15	Walgreen's - \$25
J.C. Penney's - \$25	Wal-Mart - \$10 (*) , \$25, \$100
Kohl's - \$25	Wendy's - \$10

(*) = Seasonal

Missions & Outreach

Mission Committee Holiday Projects

Attitude of Gratitude Star Project

This year our Star Project is to share our Gratitude of Thanksgiving with others in our community. On Sunday November 5, each person attending church (including children) will receive a \$5 Gift Card to HyVee, Super Saver or Walmart. The Gratitude part of this project is to give the Gift Card randomly to someone – a co-worker, teacher, neighbor, stranger, etc. The Attitude part is asking for your stories, feelings and reactions to giving the card by sharing your experiences with the church office.

Christmas Heart Project

Each year our Mission Committee partners with the Columbus Holiday Spirit Coop to provide gifts to 100 children in our community. Hearts will be available on the Christmas Tree in the Gathering Area Sunday, November 19. The gifts need to be returned by Sunday, December 3. The Mission Committee will distribute gifts Thursday, December 7. This year rather than buying gifts we request that all gifts be a \$35.00 Gift Card to Target or Walmart per recipient. This is a change but we feel it is better for the parents to become part of the Christmas giving by buying gifts they know the children want and/or need. The Mission Committee will provide each family (usually around 30) with a grocery Gift Card, a bag of Cuties and the Golden Book of the Real Christmas Story.

The Mission Committee thanks the congregation for bringing the Spirit of Christmas to our community.



Place your Scrip orders TODAY!

The holidays are coming!

Start thinking **now** about what **gift cards** might interest the special people in your life. Let the church office know in advance so we can make sure we have what you need.

Thank you, First UMC contributors
for the monetary donations
that allow us to purchase items for our
food pantry & blessing!

We Also Need Shoppers & Volunteers
for Thursdays, 4 to 6 PM at our
Outreach Center. Talk to Rex Hash, Janie
Schneider, or Rod Supencheck
to learn more.

Around Town

43rd Annual Columbus Women's Club Festival of Trees

Friday, Nov. 17 — 11:30 AM to 7 PM
Saturday, November 18 — 11:30 AM to 4 PM
Sunday, November 19 — 11:30 AM to 4 PM

At 1C The Sanctuary
Use entrance east of The Broken Mug.

Tickets:

Adults	Children
\$5 in advance	\$3
\$6 at the door	5 and under: free

You can buy tickets from Columbus Women's Club members, Tooley Drug and Home Care, or Art Editions Framing & Gallery.

Baked Potato Bar and Pie at St. Luke's United Church of Christ

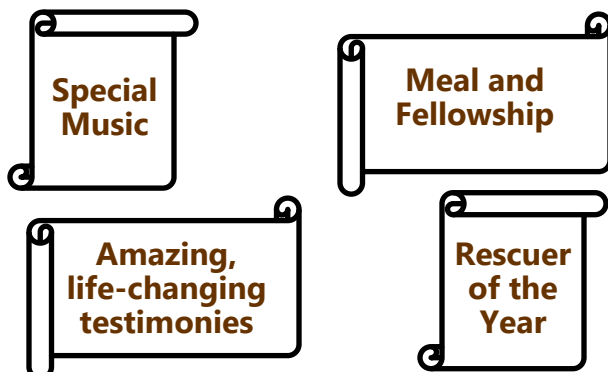
1072 21st Avenue

**November 2
11 AM—1:30 PM
and
5 PM—7:30 PM**

Call **402-564-8862**
for more information!

Columbus Rescue Mission Celebration Banquet

**November 6, 2023
American Legion
22634 3rd Avenue
Columbus**



Call 402-563-1096 for your FREE RESERVATION!

It's not too late ...

To sing with the Vertical Voices
Christmas Cantata 2023!

Sunday, December 10 • 2 pm

Rehearsal Dates

Sunday, Nov. 5 — 7 pm to 8 pm
Sunday, Nov. 12 — 7 pm to 8 pm
Sunday, Nov. 19 — 7 pm to 8 pm
Sunday, Nov. 26 — 7 pm to 8 pm
Sunday, Dec. 3 — 7 pm to 8 pm

Dress Rehearsal: Saturday,
December 9 • 9 am to Noon

All rehearsals and the performance will be held in the Columbus High School Music Hall.

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!**

**FYI: Due to an issue with the air
conditioning unit that cools our Sanctuary,
all regular Sunday morning worship
activities have been relocated to our
Outreach Center for the month of September.**

Outreach Center Worship

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

Facebook Page

First UMC & Outreach Center
Columbus, NE



Instagram

Firstumccolumbusne

YouTube Channel

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Front Desk Volunteers

*Contact the office
for more information!*



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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.