



Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church
Tuesday, November 28, 2023

2024 Contribution Envelopes are in the Chapel Parlor.

This year's **"Hearts" campaign** is going strong! There are 43 hearts left to be claimed, and all hearts are **due THIS SUNDAY, December 3rd** for distribution on December 7. This will allow parents time to use the gift cards they receive to shop for their children's gifts without being (too!) rushed.

PB&J for Jesus boxes are located at the west entrance, in the Gathering Area and at the OC. No glass jars, and smaller sizes are best — though any and all gifts will be accepted with gratitude.

We're still looking for **"Stars" Gift Card** giving stories. Let us know how your gifts were received!

We've Got You Covered is off to a great start as well. Keep those new and gently used coats, scarfs, hats, gloves and mittens coming!

Plan to help with **Hanging of the Greens** this Sunday between services, then stick around for **1st Sunday Potluck!** Hosts Christian Social Witness and Education will serve fried chicken.

And remember to check out the **Fair Trade Holiday Market** on Sundays through Christmas Eve. What better place to find those last minute gifts and interesting stocking stuffers?

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Get Your Christmas Poinsettias!

Add to the beauty of our sanctuary and honor or remember a special someone this holiday season!

Red, white, or pink — 6" pot \$9.50

Red — 8" pot \$25.00

Supplies are LIMITED, so contact the church office at **402-564-8463** to place your order **TODAY!** Vendor needs final count by **MONDAY, December 4!**



Lisa

The Church

This Week at a Glance: Wednesday, 11/29 — Tuesday, 12/05

Wednesday November 29	Thursday November 30	Friday December 1	Saturday December 2	Sunday December 3	Monday December 4	Tuesday December 5
UMM Prayer Breakfast 6:30 AM • FH Al-Anon 5:30 PM • #007 <u>Robotics (Kitt)</u> 6 PM • RR Prayer Team 6:30 PM • Lib	Aware 10:30 AM • Marilyn's House <u>Red Cross Blood Drive</u> Noon • CmR Food Pantry 4 PM Martial Arts 5:30 PM • #006 Girl Scouts (Hobza) 6 PM • fh	<u>Columbus Homeschoolers</u> 9 AM • CmR <u>Habitat for Humanity</u> <u>Veterans Committee</u> Noon • WR <u>Girl Scouts Pizza and Movie Night</u> 6 PM • WR	<u>Revolution Christmas Party</u> 1 PM • CmR <u>Scheduled Event</u> 1 PM • FH	Worship On-Site at 8 AM Hanging of the Greens Fair Trade Market GA Worship On-Site & Online at 10:30 AM <u>4H Robotics</u> 1 PM • Ald <u>Robotics (Kitt)</u> 1 PM • RR Confirmation 1 PM • GA Teen Alpha 6:30 PM • CmR/YU	Crown Villa Bible Study 1 PM • Dining Room Grief Share 4 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 Choir Rehearsal 6 PM • Sanct GROWMen 6 PM • FH <u>Boy Scouts #212</u> 6:30 PM • CmR Survivors of Suicide 7 PM • GA
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

December 3 / 1st Sunday of Advent

Hanging of the Greens and 1st Sunday Potluck

Host: Christian Social Witness / Education
Entrée: TBD

December 9 / UWF Christmas Coffee

December 10 / 2nd Sunday of Advent

December 17 / 3rd Sunday of Advent

Christmas Program & Bake Sale!

December 24 / Christmas Eve

5 Services!

8 AM • 10:30 AM
5 PM—Family Service
7 PM—Carols, Candles & Brass

Worship

Sunday, December 3

- ♦ 8 AM Service
- ♦ 10:30 AM Service



Scripture Readings

1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37

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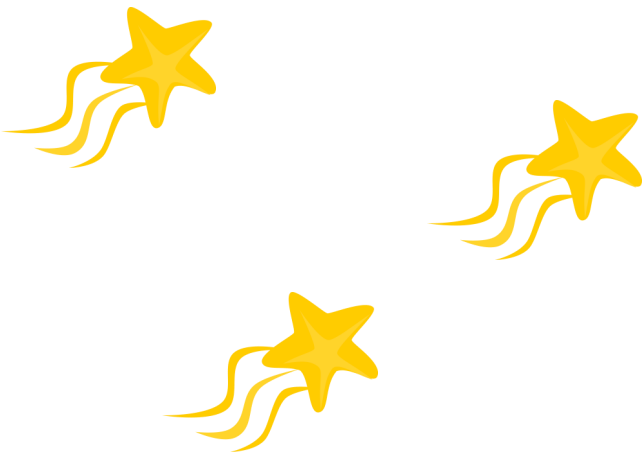


Hanging of the Greens!

THIS Sunday, December 3

between the 8 and 10:30 AM services

Mission Shares 2023!



\$55,000



Stewardship 2024 Pledge Letters were mailed with your Contribution Statements (through 09/30/2023) on November 2.

If you have any questions or need another one, please call the Church Office and Sue will assist you.

Thank you for your 2024 pledge.

The Committees

Missions

Remember ... when you buy Scrip cards from the church for the Hearts Mission Project, you give **TWO** gifts — one to your heart child, and one to First UMC!

How does First UMC address food insecurity?

First UMC Blessing Box
Located on east side of OC /
FOOD ADDED DAILY

First UMC Food Pantry
***New* Hours: OPEN THURSDAYS,**
4 to 6 PM or by appointment
(use east entrance of OC)

Platte County Food Pantry Needs:
Oatmeal, Soups, Hand Soap, Laundry Soap

Columbus Rescue Mission Needs:
Laundry detergent, cleaning supplies,
one-pound hamburger rolls

The First UMC Blessing Box
& Food Pantry both need
the following items
on an ongoing basis:

(NO GLASS, PLEASE!!!)

Food Pantry needs include:

Boxed Cold Cereal • Quick-Cooking Oats • Flavored Instant Oatmeal • Breakfast Bars • Pancake Mix • Pop Tarts • Pudding Boxes • Jell-O® • Canned Meats • Pasta & Sauces • Tuna Helper • Mac & Cheese



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.

The Kids



**Thursday, December 14
5-8 PM**

The Youth Mission Team will receive
10% of all sales and 100% of all tips.



November 29

Wear Flannel Day!



**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.



December 26-27

Grade 5-6: December 26 (2-9 PM)

Grade 7-12: December 26 –27
(2 PM—10 AM)

Food, Gaga Ball, Reverse Can Jam, Werewolf,
Capture the Flag, Hide N Seek in the Dark,
Spoons in the Dark, Sardines, and MUCH
MORE!



Advent Opportunities

November 26-December 17: Sundays

Children's Bell Choir Practice
During the Sunday JAM Hour

December 17: Sunday

Children's Christmas Program
10:30 AM service

December 17: Sunday

Youth Bake Sale (Chapel Parlor)

December 26-27: Tuesday-Wednesday

Youth Lock In

Grade 5-6: Dec 26 2-9 PM

Grade 7-12: Dec 26 2 PM to
Dec 27 10 PM

The link to sign up to provide snacks and meals
is below:

[https://www.signupgenius.com/
go/10C0D44AAAA23A6FD0-46162012-lock](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44AAAA23A6FD0-46162012-lock)

The “Want” Ads

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**.

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 way for you or you and your family to live out and lead with your faith at this, the most wonderful time of the year.

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.

Hospital Visitors Needed

Our Hospital Visitation Ministry needs a few more servants! Training is provided, and time frames are flexible. Please contact Martha Davidson, Volunteer Parish Nurse, at 402-910-8580 (text is OK) or Terri Brown at 402-910-5487 (text is OK) if you are able to assist with this rewarding and important ministry.

First UMC Spreads the Warmth

The “We’ve Got You Covered” winter coat and accessories drive has already made a difference in the life of our community. Through United Way, three coats are now in the hands of folks who needed them!

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 •
Brooke Seams, seambrooke@gmail.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

**as scheduled*

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

— Sidebar —

This collection of committees and small groups is as comprehensive and correct as I could make it with the information I currently have. Please look at it carefully and contact me with any corrections, additions or deletions you know to be necessary. I will create a print piece we can give to people that will include more detailed information, but I want to have this information set first.

Don't see your group
listed? Contact Lisa
at 402-564-8463 or
lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com!

Our Church Family



HAPPY Anniversary!

November 28

Isabella Ferris
Lynda Hellbusch
Linda Johnson
Bob Williams

November 29

Keedyn Krepel
Christina Kretchman

November 30

Brian King
Steve Kitt
Robin Swearingen

December 1

Joe Krepel

December 2

Ailyah Avila
John Davidson
Dana Gernstein
Jeri Glenn
Dale Murcek

December 3

LaDonna Anderson
Cade Gaedeke
Sam Hogeland

December 6

Kim Bosak
Derek Gassman
Mike Hasselbach
Pat Hoffman

December 9

Liz Lash
Colleen Staack

December 10

Seulki Choi Lee
Nicholas Day

December 12

Dorothy Gotschall

3122 7th Street

Kay Mohr

December 13

Paul Badje
Kody Carlson
Connor Criswell
Joe Gernstein
Brooke Griffiths

November 28

Darrell & Carrol Burrows — 37 years
8534 Grandview Plaza

November 30

David & Shirley Bohaboj — 38 years
209 27th Street, #14

Gregory & Stephanie Boruch — 11 years
14016 M Road Osceola, NE 68651

Mark & Michelle Hanson — 10 years
2236 37th Street

Brian & Angela King — 32 years
2215 20th Street

December 6

Schuyler & Jessica Condon — 9 years
PO Box 123 • Silver Creek, NE 68663

December 12

Dennis & Judy Cetak — 53 years
3975 33rd Avenue

December 14

Joe & Terri Brown — 49 years
3376 37th Avenue

December 17

Pastor K and Seulki Choi Lee — 12 years
2752 E 5th Avenue, #506

December 18

Gordon & Shelly Kosch — 41 years
3136 36th 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.





\$crip 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	Scheels Sporting Goods—\$25
CVS Pharmacy - \$25	Stack 'n Steak - \$10
Dairy Queen - \$10	Starbucks - \$5 (*) , \$10
El Tapatio - \$10	Subway - \$10
Famous Footwear - \$25	Super Saver - \$20, \$50, \$100
Godfather's Pizza - \$10	Taco Bell - \$10
Hobby Lobby - \$25	Target - \$10 (*) , \$25
Husker House - \$20	Tooley Drug - \$10, \$20, \$50
Hy-Vee - \$25, \$50, \$100	Under Armor - \$25
iTunes - \$15	Valentino's - \$10, \$20
J.C. Penney's - \$25	Walgreen's - \$25
Kohl's - \$25	Wal-Mart - \$10 (*) , \$25, \$100
	Wendy's - \$10

(*) = 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



Church Staff

Senior Pastor

Rev. Keunsik Lee

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Christian Education & Youth Director

Sarah Borgman

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Sue Overturf

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Coordinator of Communications & Laity Development

Lisa Nielsen

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Volunteer Parish Nurse

Martha Davidson

davidsonj6@outlook.com

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.