



Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church
Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Calendar of Events

Complete calendar is on our website:

www.columbusfumc.com & click on Events tab

Brown = program & administrative meetings & events

Green = worship **Blue** = women's groups **Dark Red** = men's groups

Orange = JAM / Youth & studies for all ages

Purple = caring ministries and/or Lenten studies

Pink = additional events / small groups

Black & Italicized = community partnerships and/or events

Bright Red = EXTRA announcements

Underlined = located at our Outreach Center

July 12 — **UMM Prayer Breakfast** / **UWF Retreat** /
Al-Anon / **Prayer Team** / *Driver's Ed*

July 13 — *Red Cross Blood Drive* /
Bible Study (**Meridian Gardens**) / **AWARE** /
First UMC Food Pantry / **Martial Arts** / *Driver's Ed*

July 14 — *Revolution Theatre Reh* / *Scheduled Event*

June 16 — **Worship On-Site at 8 AM** /
Sunday J.A.M. — All Ages /

Worship On-Site & Online at 10:30 AM /

July 17 — *Revolution Theatre Reh* / **Monday Bible Study** / **Grief Share** / *PVYP Reh* / *Driver's Ed*

July 18 — **Quilters** / **Tues AM Bible Study** /
Wildlife Encounters / *Backpack Meeting* / *IPVYP Reh* /
Finance Mtg / **Board of Trustees Mtg** / *Driver's Ed*

Happy July from **Rex Hash**, our Director of Outreach Center and Ministries!

Oh my GOSH. The 4th of July is over, we're beginning to lose a few moments of daylight and it seems like "back to school" is just around the corner.

Spring, Summer, Fall or Winter — did you know your Outreach Center hosts nearly *two dozen* different community partnerships and church groups over the year? From Wednesday J.A.M. and worship to Quilters, Driver's Ed, Habitat for Humanity, our Food Pantry, Red Cross blood drives, Scouts and so much more. Best of all? Each one of these groups makes a difference in the lives of people in need.

So with that in mind, I'd like to say **THANK YOU!** Thanks to the people who use our facilities, AND thanks to **YOU, our parishioners**, for your generous support, prayers, and especially your hands-on help when projects need to be done.

But while all this is great news, let us remember that our mission to make disciples of and for Jesus doesn't end at our church or the OC's doors. Jesus calls us to venture out and share our stories of faith and the love of Christ with those who haven't heard it, wherever they may be found.

To steal a thought Lisa Nielsen shared from her time at Annual Conference — Jesus never said.... Build it and they will come. Instead, in Matthew 26:19, He says for **us** to **"GO and make disciples of all nations."**

While we have so much to be proud of, it's still just a start. No building or program on earth beats a loving hand, kind word, and the desire to fulfill our mission to walk as Jesus walked. In whose life will you make a difference in the coming days?

God bless, and have a wonderful week!



Prayers for our
United Women in Faith who will
journey to the
St. Benedict Center
in Schuyler
tomorrow for their
Mosaics in Faith: We Are All Part of God's World retreat.

Coming Soon

Upcoming

mark your calendars

July 12 / Mosaic of Faith:

We are all part of God's World

A Women's Retreat sponsored by UWF.

August 3-6 / Men's Walk to Emmaus*



August 6 / 1st Sunday

Potluck (We Hope)

Still seeking a host group

for the August Potluck,

but confidence is high! Please contact Lisa in the

Church Office if your group can help!

August 10-14 / Women's Walk to Emmaus*

August 10 / Salad Lunch

Hosted by First UMC
Missions Committee



August 16 / Youth Kickoff Event

Details forthcoming ...

September 3 /

1st Sunday Potluck

Hosted by United Women in Faith.

September 10 / Rally Day

(Date is tentative; to be confirmed ASAP.)

September 17 / 3rd Grade Bible Sunday

(Date is tentative; to be confirmed ASAP.)

** Both Walk to Emmaus retreats will be held in Norfolk at the Immaculata Monastery and Spirituality Center.*

WORSHIP

Sunday, July 16

Join us for On-Site Worship at the Church.

Online via Facebook page OR website:

www.columbusfumc.com

Sunday @ 8 AM & 10:30 AM
On-Site Worship at the Church
(10:30 AM Online)



Scripture Readings

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The 2022-2023
First UMC Photo Directories
are nearly ready for print!



More than a year in the making, but hopefully worth the wait! If you are new to our church and have a recent photo individual or family photo you would like to have included, please let Lisa in the church office know ASAP. Also, if you missed the church photographers but have had pictures taken in the meantime, please feel free to submit those for use. (And thanks to everyone for your patience while it was "under construction"!

Christian Education, Youth & More

Sunday, July 30



The Youth Mission Team will share their adventures and ministry from Boston at both the 8 AM and 10:30 AM services.



The Splash Adventure Day to Kearney scheduled for Wednesday, July 12 has been cancelled!

This event will not be rescheduled at this time. Sorry for any inconvenience this



**Tuesday, July 11
7:00 PM
Room 006 (church)**

Calling all:

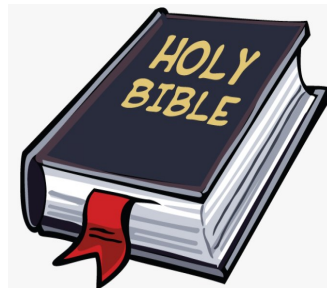
- 1) Children/Youth Ministry Leaders
- 2) Education Committee Members
- 3) Parents
- 4) Youth

Let's discuss what is coming up for children and youth, what we should or could be doing, changes that may need to be made to our schedule, training for ministry leaders, opportunities for new and exciting ministries, and ways to be more involved or to volunteer.

Are you ready to J.A.M.???



Watch for more information in upcoming Circuit Riders about Wednesday and Sunday J.A.M. programs.



Be watching for information about Rally Day and 3rd Grade Bibles dates.



**Coming Soon!
Youth Kickoff Event
Wednesday, August 16 (Details to come!)**

Our Church Family



July 11

Chad Gaedeke

July 13

Petra Krepel

July 14

Dick Breuer

July 15

Betty Osborn
Sandra Reichenberg

July 16

Savannah Kleckner
Henry Luebbe

July 17

Joe Brown
Holly Champlin
Charles Kuehler

July 18

Stephanie Bourek-Hoyt

July 19

Courtney Hamling
Landon Heule
Gabriel Reuling

July 20

Robin Curry

July 21

Morgan Merrill
Collin Polanco
Aaron Rohde
Jane Schneider
Warren Voorhees
Sylvia Walters

July 22

Corrina Griffiths
Ann-Marie King
Jamie Snyder

July 24

Jose DeLaCruz
Jaden Williams

HAPPY
Anniversary!

July 11

John Hoyt & Stephanie
Bourek-Hoyt (3)

July 14

Tim & Denene Owens (44)
3579 Brookfield Drive

July 16

Rex & Kathy Hash (46)
2854 39th Avenue

July 20

Korey & Peggy Hobza (10)
19466 340th Street

July 23

Jesse & Haley Timm (7)
7 Timberwood Drive

July 28

Oliver & Jamie Kleckner (11)
615 Gold Street
Schuyler, NE 68661

XYZ Members (in bold) have addresses listed. Send birthday greetings to our 90+ years young members! 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.

Our Church History

The Four Tides of United Methodism

The book *200 Years of United Methodism: An Illustrated History* tells us that the account of United Methodism over the years is "a human story, but also a divine story." Though the book was published in 1984, it covers what at that time were four tides (discernable movements) in the United Methodist faith.

The 1st Tide — The Tide of Pietism (1766-1783)

This tide was defined by seven specific points:

- ◆ The need for individuals to authentically, personally experience God
- ◆ The religious life being one of loving God and humans
- ◆ Testing the biblical message in day-to-day life
- ◆ Seeing the 'true church' as being an interdenominational community of God's people
- ◆ Having laity participate in all aspects of the Christian enterprise
- ◆ Training clergy to respond to the needs of the age
- ◆ The willingness to change church structures to meet new mission needs and occasions

Sound familiar? Though it may be hard to imagine, the basic tenets of United Methodism haven't changed a whole lot in 257 years! Originating in England, the waters of United Methodism "continued to wash North America with new spiritual life" in places like New York City and Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

Curious to learn more? Watch future issues of your Circuit Rider for the following:

The Tide of Nationalism (1784-1860)

The Tide of Idealism (1866-1918)

The Tide of Pluralism (1919-1984)

On-Site Worship & J.A.M. Attendance

7/9

Sunday, 8 AM — 53

Sunday J.A.M. — 36

Sunday, 10:30 AM — 100

Our Missions & Outreach

"CAN **YOU** HELP US?"

**First UMC Blessing Box
& Food Pantry needs 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
Boxed Meals: Tuna Helper/ Mac & Cheese

How does First UMC address food insecurity?

If you or someone you know
is in need of food and/or other supplies,
please check out:

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

It's Christmas in July!!!

for the **Columbus Rescue Mission!**

The Mission Committee's "Star Trees" are
up, and receiving contributions!

Star Items include ...

- ◆ Kitchen Towels & Rugs
- ◆ Pot Holders & Hot Pads
- ◆ Ziploc® bags (gallon or larger)
- ◆ Dinner Napkins
- ◆ Trash Bags (kitchen & larger)
- ◆ Serving Utensils (large spoons, ladles, etc.)
- ◆ Super Saver & HyVee Gift Cards
- ◆ Cleaning Supplies (cleaners, dish soap, etc.)

Leave items under the tree on Sundays before or
after services. They will be collected and stored
in a secure location each week. Or please feel free
to drop them off in the church office at any time
Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 6 PM!

HELP with MEALS

**Our church has committed to
provide meals at the Columbus Rescue
Mission on the 4th Tuesday each month.**

- ▶ Meals for 25 people
- ▶ All meal items to Rescue Mission
by 5 PM (on the fourth Tuesday)

**Help is needed on
December 26!**

If your Sunday School class, Small Group or
Committee would like to help, contact Lisa
Nielsen or Janie Schneider. Thanks!

Thank You for your generosity with monetary donations that have allowed
for food pantry / blessing box food items to be purchased.

Need Shoppers & Volunteers
for Thursdays, 4 to 6 PM at our Outreach Center

Would you like more info? Talk to Rod Supencheck, Janie Schneider and/or Rex Hash.

Worship & Study

Sunday: 8 AM (On-Site at Church)
10:30 AM (On-Site at Church & Online)
Ignite is taking a pause — stay tuned!

Wednesday: 7:30 AM
(On-Site ONLY at Church)

J.A.M. (Jesus And Me) Time

Sundays @ Church, 9 AM for all ages

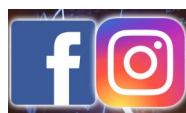
AND Sarah's Bible Story on Facebook
& Website @ 9 AM on Sundays

Wednesdays @ Outreach Center,
2:30 to 8:15 PM

(see schedule for more info)

***FREE* Sermon By Phone:** **402-205-2469**

Listen to the Sunday message –
updated Sunday mornings by 8 AM



Facebook Page:
First UMC & Outreach Center
Columbus, NE



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*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.