



# Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church  
Thursday, September 21, 2023

## This Week at a Glance: Wednesday, 9/20 — Tuesday, 9/26

Monday September 25	Tuesday September 26	Wednesday September 20	Thursday September 21	Friday September 22	Saturday September 23	Sunday September 24
<b>Crown Villa Bible Study</b> 1 PM—2 PM (in the Dining Room)	<b>Quilters</b> 9 AM, Quilter's Rm	<b>UMM Prayer Breakfast</b> 6:30 AM, FH	<b>Red Cross Drive</b> 10:30 AM, CmR	<b>Columbus Homeschool</b> 9 AM — 1 PM, YU	<b>Youth Leadership Training</b> 9 AM — Noon, CmR	<b>Worship On-Site at 8 AM</b>
<b>Grief Share</b> 4 PM — 5:30 PM, Lib	<b>Tues AM Bible Study 9 AM, CP</b>	<b>Friendship Circle</b> Noon, GA	<b>AWARE</b> Noon, via ZOOM			<b>Worship On-Site &amp; Online at 10:30 AM</b>
	<b>CMS Dodgeballers</b> TIME, CmR	<b>Wednesday Afterschool</b> 2:30 PM, CmR	<b>Afternoon Alpha</b> 2 PM, FH			<b>Robotics (Kitt)</b> 1 PM — 4 PM, RR
	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> 6 PM, WR	<b>Wednesday Nite Meal</b> 5:30 PM, CmR	<b>First UM Food Pantry</b> 4 PM — 6 PM			<b>Youth Alpha Training</b> 4 PM — 6 PM, YU
	<b>Boy Scouts #212</b> 6:30 PM, CmR	<b>Wednesday Nite JAM</b> 6:45, WR	<b>Girl Scouts (Hobza)</b> 6 PM — 8 PM, FH			<b>Habitat for Humanity</b> 4:30 PM — 5:30 PM, WR
	<b>SPRC Meeting</b> 7 PM, CP	<b>Al-Anon</b> 5:30 PM, #007	<b>Martial Arts</b> 5:30 PM, #006			
		<b>Robotics (Kitt)</b> 6 PM, RR	<b>NAMI</b> 7 PM — 8:30 PM, Lib			
		<b>Prayer Team</b> 6:30 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 = special event or community partnership

Underlined = at the Outreach Center

**Room Key: Downtown Church**

**CP** Chapel Parlor  
**FH** Fellowship Hall  
**GA** Gathering Area  
**Lib** Library  
**Sanct** Sanctuary

**Room Key: Outreach Center**

**BP** Backpack Room  
**CR** Community Room  
**MR** Meditation Room  
**QR** Quilter's Room  
**RR** Robotics Room  
**WR** Wesley Room  
**YU** Youth Underground

Dear Circuit Rider Readers,

I'm going to try some different things in the coming weeks with our Weekly Circuit Rider. One big change you've undoubtedly already noticed is the format for our weekly front page calendar. Please let me know what you think about this, and any other changes I make — or changes that *you* would like to see made! The Circuit Rider is created for you, so I want make sure that it meets your needs.

Blessings!

Lisa Nielsen

First UMC Coordinator of Communications  
& Laity Development

Our Board of Trustees extends a BIG thank you to **Pat Adamy**, who generously provided a bucket truck for some facilities maintenance and for refurbishing the two cross & flame symbols on the south side of the downtown church building!

# Coming Soon

## Upcoming

mark your calendars

### September 25 / Grief Share

4 PM on Monday afternoons for 13 weeks.

### September 30 / October 1

**Camp Fontanelle Annual Fundraiser**  
(Saturday, 9/30)  
**and Fontanelle Fall Fest**  
(Sunday, 10/1)

### September 25 / Grief Share

4 PM on Monday afternoons for 13 weeks.

### October 1 / 1st Sunday Potluck

Host: Board of Trustees

### October 14 / Fall Craft Fair

Contact Sarah Borgman at  
[sarah.borgman@fumc.com](mailto:sarah.borgman@fumc.com)  
for information on how YOU  
can become a vendor!

### October 18 / UMW Circles

Good Morning: 9:30 AM  
Friendship: Noon  
Eve: 1:30 PM

### October 29 / Youth Baked Potato Bar **& Fall Family Festival**

Location to be announced when determined.

### November 5 / 1st Sunday Potluck

Host: UMM/Grow Men

### November 16 / Souper Soups!

Host: UMM/Grow Men

## Worship

**Sunday, September 24**  
**at the Outreach Center!**

- ♦ 8 AM Service
- ♦ 10:30 AM Service



## Scripture Readings

Exodus 16:2-15

Matthew 20:1-16



## 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.

**September 9th and 23rd 9am**

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.



Questions? Contact the office 402-478-4296  
or email [Ryan.rsiver@greatplainsumc.org](mailto:Ryan.rsiver@greatplainsumc.org)

# Our Church Family



# HAPPY Anniversary!

## **September**

### **September 21**

Lillian Hudnall

### **September 22**

Nick Galley

Brenda Nuttelmann

### **September 23**

Miriam Ingram

Kelli Reeves

Diane Ryther

Rachel Windle

### **September 24**

Steve Champlin

Denise Kracl

Dan Schiefelbein

### **September 25**

David Bohaboj

Jada Grape

### **September 26**

Ed Goerlinger

Chris Vering

### **September 27**

Katie Driver

Arlene Loseke

Pam Range

### **September 29**

Nick Schindel

Jason Wagner

### **September 30**

Debra Carlson

## **October**

### **October 1**

Dylan Garretson

Luc Lighter

Douglas Molczyk

### **October 2**

Rose Dannelly

Egan Harnisch

Diane Reeves

Richard Swartz

Jean Switzer

### **October 3**

David Boswell

Gina Czapl

Carly Gaedeke

Jeanie Henk

Malcolm Hill

Sally Oxley

### **October 2**

Gary & Lynda Hellbusch — 47 years

1667 Sunset Drive

### **October 4**

Cecil & Janet Jones — 9 years

3179 39th Avenue

### **October 8**

A.J. and Rachel Windle — 1 year

3259 44th Avenue

### **October 10**

Neil & Donna Woodcock — 31 years

865 27th Avenue

### **October 15**

Alan & Jean Danforth — 35 years

2908 33rd Street

### **October 16**

Don & Bonnie Schroeder — 24 years

2967 18th Avenue

### **October 17**

Brady & Cierra Napier — 3 years

3212 16th Street

Brian & Pam Nelson

1104 3rd Street

### **October 18**

Bob & Joan Adams — 39 years

3521 50th Street

Chuck & Lois Athey — 73 years

2819 35th Street

### **October 21**

Dexter & Kelli Reeves — 6 years

3509 18th Street

David & Lisa Schacher — 34 years

819 Becton 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 being held at the Outreach Center due to no air conditioning 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!!!** Just a note to your buddy once or twice a month and pray for them daily.

Join us for  
**Wednesday J.A.M!**

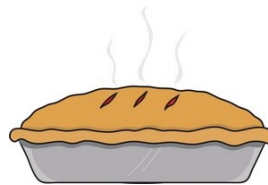
2:30 PM — Afterschool Program

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 Sales**

Pies will be for sale October 4-25, 2023

Pies will be Apple, Dutch Apple, Pumpkin, and Pecan. The pies are completely homemade by the youth, and they freeze perfectly!!!

Pies will be ready for pick up November 4, 2023.

See a youth or contact the church office to order.  
All pies are \$13 each!!



**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. Fundraisers will begin soon!

**ALPHA  
YOUTH**  
*Series*

Alpha

**Youth Alpha starts with YOU!**

Want to grow closer to God or do you just want to know who God is? Then Alpha is for you! Our first session is starting Oct 8. Talk to Sarah to sign up.



# Missions & Outreach



## Fair Trade items all week long!

Just stop by our newly refreshed library across the hall from the Church Office anytime from 7:30 AM to 6 PM, Monday thru Thursday. Coffees, teas, jewelry – there's a lovely selection of items on display, and any staff member will be happy to assist you!

“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



**Place your Scrip orders TODAY!**

Have **special gift cards** in mind for the special people in your life? Just call the church office and let us know what you would like! Calling ahead helps ensure that we'll have enough of the most popular requests for everyone.

**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.

# Coming Up Around Town

## Platte County Food Pantry Seeks Volunteers

### Duties

sack groceries  
sort donations  
stock shelves

### Time Commitment

1.5 to 2 hours  
per week

### Available Shifts

Mon., Wed. & Fri. from 10 AM to 11:30 AM  
Tuesday & Thursday from 2 PM to 4 PM  
(same days/times each week, preferably)

They also need **data entry people** to interview clients and input information. (The program they use is written specifically for food pantries, and is very easy to learn.)

They also need one or two new members for the Food Pantry's Board of Directors. This group meets quarterly for about an hour to discuss items concerning the pantry.

Call Executive Director Jan Berry  
if you would like to assist!  
**402-276-4283**

## Spread Holiday Cheer this year with Christmas for Our Troops!

Are any of your loved ones active military? If so, **email** the address where they will be from November through December to **ChristmasForOurTroops@pinnbank.com**. They will then receive a special care package for the holidays through Pinnacle Bank's "Christmas for Our Troops" project!

Boxes will be packed for mailing the night of Tuesday, November 14 if you would like to assist. Detailed information on donation and collection procedures are listed in the "Christmas for Our Troops" brochure. Please call Lisa in the Church Office or email [lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com](mailto:lisa.nielsen@columbusfumc.com) if you would like a brochure. Brochures are available on Sunday mornings at worship as well.



## Christmas Cantata 2023!



**Concert Date:** Sunday,  
December 10 • 2 pm

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

### Rehearsal Dates

Sunday, Oct. 22 — 6:30 to 8 pm  
Sunday, Oct. 29 — 7 pm to 8 pm  
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

All rehearsals and the performance will be held in the Columbus High School Music Hall. Contact Fred Ritter at [fritterchoirguy@gmail.com](mailto:fritterchoirguy@gmail.com), or at 402-285-2343 (call or text).

And check out  
Columbus Area Vertical Voices  
on Facebook!

## 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

First UMC & Outreach Center  
Columbus, NE



## Church Staff

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### Front Desk Volunteers

*Contact the office  
for more information!*



## Columbus First United Methodist Church

[www.columbusfumc.com](http://www.columbusfumc.com)

### 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.