

Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church Tuesday, April 25, 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

April 26 — UMM Prayer Breakfast / Word & Table /
Epworth Village Mtg / Wed J.A.M. Afterschool,
Community Meal, Wed Nite Worship, Youth Groups,
Adult Small Group / Prayer Team / Al-Anon /
Ignite Music Team Rehearsal

April 27 — <u>Red Cross Blood Drive</u> I AWARE I UWF Book Club / First UMC Food Pantry

April 28 — <u>Columbus Homeschool Co-Op</u> I Scheduled Event

April 29 — Trustees Work Day

April 30 — UWF & UMM Sunday in Worship!
Worship On-Site at 8 AM / Sunday J.A.M. — All Ages /
Worship On-Site & Online at 10:30 AM /
Great Plains Regional Event: Rebekah Simon-Peter /
Habitat for Humanity / Ignite On-Site & Online at 6 PM

Rev. Cindi will be on Vacation, May 1-3 returning the afternoon of May 4

May 1 — First UMC Blood Drive /
Mon Bible Study (Crown Villa) / Grief Share

May 2 — Quilters / Tues AM Bible Study / <u>CMS Nerf Dodgers</u> / Martial Arts Class / Chancel Choir / <u>Cub Scouts Pack 212</u> / Survivors of Suicide Mtg / <u>NO GROW Men</u>



Margin Moments... by Rev. Cindi Stewart

Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees sing for joy. from Psalm 96:12

Life is bursting forth around us. I have been trying to keep my eyes open to the beauty of this season in spite of seeing boxes and totes get filled up for our early move. This morning, I even saw a female cardinal in the trees on the south side of the Church. When life is challenging and we feel overwhelmed there can be no doubt that we simply cannot outgive our gracious and abundant God!

Sunday, April 30



3 PM in Church's Fellowship Hall

"Lessons from Pandemics Past" Book Tour with Rebekah Simon-Peter

Sponsored by Great Plains Conference
Register thru greatplainsumc.org or
by calling the Church Office

Coming Soon

WORSHIP Sunday, April 30

Join us for On-Site Worship at the Church and at our Outreach Center.
Online via Facebook page OR website:
www.columbusfumc.com
Sermon By Phone: 402-205-2469

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



Join us for the post-Easter sermon series more to life. This week offers a "pause" in the series as welcome representatives of United Women in Faith and United Men's Ministries to share in worship with Romans 12:1-8.



Sunday @ 6 PM Ignite On-Site at our Outreach Center & Online

Check out Ignite's post-Easter series

Three Simple Rules. Join us for "Stay in Love with God" inspired by John 15:1-8.

Join us on April 30 for Holy Communion — Ignite will be taking a "pause" beginning on 5/7 through the staff transitions.



April 30 / United Women in Faith & United Men's Ministry Sunday

3 PM, "Lessons from Pandemics Past"



First UMC (Fellowship Hall)

with best-selling author Rebekah Simon-Peter Sponsored by Great Plains UMC Conference

May 7 / Holy Communion
Senior Brunch, Recognition & Scholarships
9:15 AM, Senior Brunch (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 AM, Senior Recognition & Scholarships

11:30 AM, Potluck (Fellowship Hall)
Host: Education / Main Dish: Fried Chicken
Bring a side dish to share!
During the potluck, Education Committee will
recognize Sunday & Wednesday J.A.M. Leaders

May 14 / Mother's Day Festival of the Christian Home

We invite all ladies to wear hats as we celebrate the women who have influenced our lives!



Our Church Family



April 25

Ken Curry Dave Moore Carli Schneider

April 26

Kelly Ball
Terri Brown
Ann Chesley
Julia Davidchik
Kurt Schneider
Skyler Swearingen

April 27

Ken Boyer Travis Roth

April 28

Erick Blaser Bill Greene

Millie Meyer

Countryside Home 703 North Main, #203 Madison, NE 68748

April 29

Colton Dannelly

April 30

Skylar Condon

May 1

Nina Svasek

May 2

John Hoyt Caleb Sky David Snyder

May 3

Darin Glenn Marilyn Johnson Brooklyn Wetgen

May 4

Sebastian DeLaCruz

May 5

Frances Griffiths Terri Hagar Aurorah Metcalfe



April 25

Glenn/Arlene Loseke (64) 2429 33rd Street

April 26

Jeremy/Sarah Weber (18) 2324 37th Street

May 1

Rob/Rayetta Williams (57) 3517 36th Street

May 4

Mark & Kara Asmus (32) 2615 36th Street

May 9

Kenny & Linda Boyer (14) 858 33rd Avenue, Lot D-10

May 13

Cody/Eronne Schrader (17) 5234 53rd Street

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.

community

It's more than a meal...it's belonging!

Wednesday, April 26

Salad Bar, Pudding Cups & Cinnamon Pull-Apart Bread

Wednesday, May 3

Pulled Pork Burrito Bowls, Strawberries & Bananas, Dirt Cake

Donation: *pay what you are able*

Ask about a FREE meal card!

If you would like to purchase a punch card for your family and/or community patrons to use, contact the Church Office.

ln Loving Memory

Rex Eugene Porter, 67, son of the late Marie & Gene Porter, passed away on 4/14. Funeral service was held at the Church on 4/19 with luncheon at Wunderlich's.

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

Wednesday Word & Table — 10

Wednesday J.A.M. — 24

Sunday, 8 AM — 53

Sunday J.A.M. — 43

Sunday, 10:30 AM — 80

Sunday, 6 PM Ignite — 10

Total On-Site (04/19 - 04/23) = 220

Announcements & Staff Transitions

UWF extends thanks to all who supported this year's Bake Sale on Palm Sunday! We raised over \$800 for our scholarship fund. We are grateful for your generous support of our many efforts throughout the year to improve the lives of those less fortunate around the world.

Sincerely, First UMC's United Women in Faith

Dear First UMC Columbus Friends,

We want you to know how deeply grateful we are to you all for your wonderful mission support through the Advance. We delight in being your "outpost of mission" here on the Parks Highway in Willow, AK!

Easter love to you all, and many blessings!

Pastors Joe-d and Christina Dowling Soka

Special Events are Coming ...



Place your Scrip orders TODAY!

Have special gift cards in mind for the mothers, graduates and engaged couples in your life? Just call the office and let us know what you would like! If you call this week or next, we are more likely to ensure that we have enough of the most popular requests for everyone.

Updated Schedule for Rev. Cindi

Moving trucks will be loaded on April 28, and Rev. Cindi & Klint will be moving into their Omaha home on May 1.

Week of April 30: Vacation Days, May 1-3

Week of May 7: Office Days, May 8-10

We have a "guest room" available to us in Columbus through the transition — thank you to those who have offered.

Rev. Cindi will be using the 402-276-3450 number through June 16. Please text her and/or call her with any questions and/or to schedule a visit.

Please be patient and kind thru the transitions!



Mondays, 3:30 to 5 PM

New GriefShare Course in the Church Library.
Talk to Dee Kinkaid for more info

Text-for-Prayer

Text the word "Prayer" to 402-276-3450 for a prayer

News & Community Connections



Monday, May 8 - Friday, May 10 from Columbus Community Hospital.

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

Community Connections

This year's Columbus NDOP event will be like never before! From 10 AM to 6 PM, area churches will take the stage in Frankfort Square for hour-long periods to lead prayer, song and other worship activities.

First UMC has the 5-to-6 PM time-slot, right before the Vertical Voices concert at 6:30! Join Rev. Cindi and the Ignite Music Team to lift up this special event!

Christian Acoustic Group Disciple to Give Local Concert

St. John's Lutheran Church/Shell Creek will host **Disciple** in concert on

Wednesday, May 3 at 7 PM

Eagle's Club, 3205 12th Street

New Process; Same Great Stuff!

Going forward, United Women in Faith (UWF) will host Fair Trade Markets only during special events such as the Palm Sunday Bake Sale, Summer Retreat, Christmas Tea, and the Christmas Market from Thanksgiving through Advent.

But the same great coffees, teas, cocoas, chocolate bars and other food and handmade items are still available! Fair Trade Order Forms will be located in the back of the Sanctuary. Just fill out a form and drop it in the Sunday offering plate or return it to the church office. Orders will be filled as received and be ready for pick-up on Sundays and/or during the week in the church office.

Wesleyan tradition encourages United Methodists to support social justice through our buying choices—to choose products whose manufacturing practices do not contribute to poverty's root causes. Purchasing Fair Trade program items is an easy and beneficial way for us to help alleviate poverty around the world. Keep watching as we roll out our new process!

Jamie Snyder, Fair Trade Coordinator



A Surplus of Quilts!

This year for the first time, our Tuesday morning quilters have met throughout the winter. As a result, we have a larger than normal inventory of quilts ranging from baby to twin size.

We frequently receive fabric donations, which we greatly appreciate, and we use monetary donations and quilt proceeds to buy batting and other supplies.

While we have made several 2023 distributions, and will continue to do so throughout the year, we want to remind you that our quilts are for sale as well! Come any Tuesday morning, **9-11 AM**, to see our selection!

Christian Education, Youth & More



Pizza Ranch Tip Night May 25, 2023 5—8 PM

Come support the Boston Youth Mission Team

100% of tips and 10% of sales will go towards travel expenses for the team!



May 25 — Pizza Ranch Tip Night June 12–16 — VBS Week

Youth 4 Hire ~ no job too big or small ~

Call Sarah Borgman to schedule.





Wacky Wednesday

April 26 Sports Day!



Prayer Buddy Reveal Dates Times are Set!!!

Wednesday JAM: May 3 after

Worship

Sunday JAM: May 14 during

JAM time (9:15 AM)

Bring a note for your buddy!!!

Mark Your Calendars ...



High School Senior Recognition Day!

May 7 at the 10:30 AM service



Let's appreciate <u>ALL</u> of our Sunday and Wednesday JAM Leaders & helpers!

First Sunday Potluck, May 7

Bring a side dish to share and a special note for your JAM leaders and helpers.

Our Missions & Outreach

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)

<u>Platte County Food Pantry Needs:</u>
Oatmeal, Soups, Hand Soap, Laundry Soap

<u>Columbus Rescue Mission Needs:</u>
Laundry detergent, cleaning supplies,
one-pound hamburger rolls

HELP with MEALS

As a Church family, we have committed to providing a meal at the Columbus Rescue Mission on the fourth Tuesday of every month:

- ► Meals for 25 people
- ► All meal items to Rescue Mission by 5 PM (on the fourth Tuesday)
- ► Help needed on the following dates:

June 24 August 22 November 28 December 26

Many of our committees participate throughout the year, but we need **MORE** help from individuals and/or families. If <u>YOU</u> would like to help, please contact Lisa Nielsen or Janie Schneider. Thanks!

Wednesday, May 24

Habitat for Humanity Work Day!

7:30 AM — 4 PM

Join us for exterior painting at 4144 Isaiah Drive

MMDC Trip in September!

We'll depart on **Sept. 10**, work the 11-13, and return to Columbus on 9/14.

I reserved 10 spots; attendees thus far are Rich & Cindy Rohde, Donna & Steve Davis, Dick Breuer, Bob Williams, Denny & myself.

That leaves TWO additional openings.
Contact me at (402)564-6599 or rud2@eaglecom.net if you're interested.

Thanks! Dee Kinkaid

"CAN YOU HELP US?"

<u>First UMC Blessing Box</u> <u>& Food Pantry needs the following</u> <u>items on an ongoing basis:</u>

(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

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

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

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



Columbus First United Methodist Church

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Downtown 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 will be open over the lunch hour & now after hours!

West Door is OPEN during business hours — appointments are always welcome!

Church Staff

Senior Pastor

Rev. Cindi Stewart

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Volunteer Parish Nurse

Martha Davidson

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Front Desk Volunteers

Sign-up to help out!

Worship & Study

Sunday: 8 AM (On-Site at Church) **10:30 AM** (On-Site at Church & Online) 6 PM Ignite! (On-Site at OC & Online)

Wednesday: 7:30 AM

(On-Site at Church & Online)

6:45 PM (On-Site @ OC)

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



YouTube Channel:

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Instagram: Firstumccolumbusne