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First UMC/ Email Blast

This Weekend in Worship...join us as we celebrate our Sunday School teachers & music leaders. **Sun @ 8 AM & 10:30 AM** – Sermon Series *The Five Secrets* focuses on the keys to living & dying well. *Secret #1: Be True to Your Self. Secret #2: Leave No Regrets. Secret #3: Become Love.* On Sunday morning, hear Rev. Cindi reveal *Secret #4: Bliss* based on Luke 24:13-35. You are also invited to check out **Sat @ 6 PM and Ignite on Sun @ 6 PM** – “Arise & Go” on the Book of Jonah! This weekend, “Jonah is Us” from Jonah 4:1-11. Join Rev. Seong & Ignite Music Team for a spirit-filled service!

Special Church Conference – There will be a Special Church Conference to discuss & to vote on the **Stained Glass Windows Renovation Project** on Monday, May 22 at 7 PM in the Church Sanctuary. *All church members & friends are welcome to attend. All members have voice & vote.*

UMCOR Cleaning Buckets – MMDC has sent out almost 4,000 cleaning buckets to Missouri flooded area during the last 2 weeks. Any donation of cleaning bucket supplies will be needed or, of course, money. Please drop off the supplies in the church office by June 6th. Some of the supplies that are needed are: liquid laundry detergent – up to 50 oz. no fabric softener, dish soap – 16 to 28 oz. bottle, air freshener, 6 to 14 oz. insect repellent spray, sponges (no cellulose sponges due to mold issues), heavy duty trash bags – 45 gallon sizes, dusk masks, clothes pins.

VBS: Hero Central – VBS is June 5th – 9th from 8:15 am to 11:30 am. If your child would like to attend VBS please come to the office to fill out an information sheet. Early bird registration fee is \$5.00 or pay \$10.00 at the door June 5th.

A Chance to Grow and Share What You Know – you are invited to come to the church on Thursday, May 25, 6:30 PM to check out a leadership development opportunity. All ages and levels of experience are needed because Jesus’ model of leadership for us is one of serving. His disciples included leaders “out front” and leaders “behind the scenes”. So too, it is with us. Read a book,

attend as many of six sessions as you can, take a fun personality type exercise, identify your spiritual gifts, hear special presentations of UMC church information, discuss, and fellowship (including snacks). Please indicated to Doug Kallesen (dkallesen@neb.rr.com, 402-563-1570), or the church office, if interested and whether you can attend the May 25 kickoff meeting where you will decide. Course facilitators: Miki Naylor, Anne Kallesen, Scott Zwick, Bob Adams, Doug Kallesen, and the Pastors

CALENDAR:

May 17/ NO After School Help or Youth Group/ 7:00 pm Praise Team / 8:00 pm Ignite! Music Team @ OC

May 20/ 6:00 PM Worship Service

May 21/ 8:00 & 10:30 Worship Service/ 9:00 Teacher Appreciation Brunch/ 6:00 PM Ignite! @ OC

May 22/ 7:00 PM Special Church Conference on Stained Glass Windows Renovation Project (Church Sanctuary). *All members have voice & vote.*

May 23/ 12:00 OPS Meeting @ OC

May 24/ 11:30 United Way “Bridges Out of Poverty” Workshop/ 7:00 PM Splash Youth/

Miscellaneous Information

Thrivent Members: you are welcome to designate funds to First United Methodist Church – we are now eligible to receive *Thrivent Dollars*. Contact the Church Office for more information!

Craft Club is gearing up to work on some projects this summer! If you are interested in participating in a monthly “**Scrap and/or Scan**” please let Rev. Cindi know. If you would like to be added to the Facebook page, look up “first umc Craft Club” or talk to the office for more information. **Craft Club** is a fellowship

group of the Church of members & friends who enjoy arts & crafts. They will be meeting on the lower level of the Outreach Center.

Community Connection!

Fill the Truck – The Columbus Rescue Mission will be holding their annual Fill The Truck project on June 29th, 30th, and July 1st at the Walmart parking lot in Columbus. The Living Water Rescue Mission will have their Fill The Truck days on June 30th and July 1st at the Walmart parking lot in York. We wish to thank Walmart for working with us on this important project each summer. Please support this cause as we collect food and financial donations for the Columbus and Living Water Rescue Mission. More information will be coming in the May and June electronic newsletters.

2017 Great Plains UM Cowboy Trail Bike Ride or Walk – 16th annual ride or walk for the mission project, and sponsored by the Great Plains UMM. Donations will be given to Upper Room Prayer Line, Society of St. Andrew, Stop Hunger Now, Imagine No Malaria, disaster response, camping ministry, jail ministry, youth ministry, and scholarships for Christian service. On **May 27**, Bike or walk from Norfolk to Tilden Nebraska. Breakfast and check in at Norfolk is at 7:00 A.M. Will start walking/ ridding at 8:00 A.M. Breakfast and Lunch will be provided. Registration for biking family is \$25.00 which includes on t-shirt; additional t-shirts are \$15.00 each. There is no registration cost for walkers. T-shirts are 15.00 each. To ensure getting a t-shirt please register by May 17th. Rest stops with snacks will be at Battle Creek and Meadow Grove. Enjoy the fresh air, good exercise, tasty food and good fellowship.

12th Annual Columbus Rescue Mission Master's Classic Presented by Title Sponsors – On June 9th at 12:30 help the hurting and the homeless in the name of Jesus Christ. Driving towards changed lives. Open division Challenge 18-hole division is \$300 per team and \$74 per player. Church Division Challenge 18-hole division is \$300 per team \$75 per player. Entry includes green fees, cart, team prizes, flag prizes, door prizes, Rescue Mission golf hat and lunch on the course. Everyone is welcome to participate. Awards ceremony following play, including hors d'oeuvres. Any question, call Mike VunCannon at the Elk's Country Club 402-564-4930.