

On Thursday, May 25, 2017 9:04 AM, Program Coordinator <ProgramCoordinator@columbusfumc.com> wrote:

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. Secret #4: Live the Moment.* On Sunday morning, hear Rev. Cindi reveal *Secret #5: Legacy* based on Acts 4:32 – 5:11. You are also invited to check out **Sat @ 6 PM and Ignite on Sun @ 6 PM**. This weekend, “What is the meaning of the ascension of Jesus Christ to us?” with scripture from Acts and Daniel. Join Rev. Seong & Ignite Music Team for a spirit-filled service!

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.

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. On **May 27**, Bike or walk from Norfolk to Tilden Nebraska. 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. Blessings to all of the First UMC participants!

Stained Glass Window Restoration Project – At a Special Church Conference on Monday, May 22, First United Methodist Church voted to move

forward with the Stained Glass Windows Restoration Project. Working with Kruse Stained Glass of Hartington, Nebraska, the Board of Trustees hopes to begin the project in spring 2018. The Finance Committee will be working on a Capital Campaign to raise \$170,000 for this project. In addition, educational materials are being put together. For those interested, our website features a video with church member Lois Smith explaining the window restoration project. [**CLICK HERE to watch church member Lois Smith explain the window restoration project**](#) (Directions to the video are located on the "What's Happening" page under the "Check This Out" column, at the top right under latest sermon/bulletin)

Watch for more details about how you can help to preserve the beautiful stained glass windows in our church.

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 of 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 5-9** 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.

Video Tech Training – As part of confirmation this year confirmands will be asked to volunteer for video tech. If you haven't had video tech training yet we will be offering the training on **May 31st at 11:30 am** in the Chapel Parlor. Pizza & Pop served! RSVP in Church Office by calling, 402-564-8463.

CALENDAR:

May 25 / 6:30 PM Leadership Development Class in FH

May 26 / 3:00 PM 3rd & 4th Grade Bible Night in FH

May 27 / 6:00 PM Worship

May 28 / Fair Trade Items for Sale / 8 & 10:30 AM worship / 6 PM Ignite @ OC

May 29 / Memorial Day! Office & Outreach Center CLOSED

May 30 / 12:00 PM OPS Meeting @ OC-WR

May 31 / 11:30 AM Video Tech Training (for confirmands)

From Our Care Team

Your Health Matters: Blood Pressure – Never ignore your blood pressure. That's the message from First UMC Parish Nurse Dee Kinkaid. Dee fills you in on the dangers of high blood pressure and tips on how to control it. [CLICK HERE to see the video.](#)

The Church In Action - Join Dee Kinkaid and Dave Rinehart for the next edition of “The Church in Action” on FUMC-TV. The Care Team consists of many areas of ministry including prayer, visitation, grief, transportation, health and wellness along with several other specialized care teams. Hear what each team is about and how these volunteers serve you from Care Team Chair, Dee Kinkaid. [CLICK HERE to see the video.](#)

Finishing With Grace - Come join us on Thursday, **June 22, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Speakers include Al Vyhnalek talking about “Protecting & Distributing Your Assets”, Charlotte Griffith talking about “Communicating Your Plans”, and Rev. Cindi Stewart talking about “Remembering Your Story. Cost is \$5.00, please RSVP for meal and event 402-564-8463.

Miscellaneous Items

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.

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.