

On Thursday, July 27, 2017 2:40 PM, Program Coordinator  
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## **First UMC / Email Blast**

### **This Weekend in Worship...**

**Sat @ 6 PM and Sun @ 8 AM & 10:30 AM** – Sermon Series #**Abiding: Remain in the True Vine** concludes with *Remaining* from John 15:9-17 – Jesus gives a pretty simple command to “remain in my love” and to “love each other.” Why do we make this so hard, and how can we focus on what it means to Know, Grow & Go...?

**Ignite on Sun @ 6 PM** with the new sermon series **Finding Our True Identity** with inspiration from Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians; this weekend, *You become Mature* from Ephesians 4:1-14.

**Christmas in July** – The Mission Committee’s *Christmas in July Project* is collecting items for “**Survivor’s Kits.**” These items will be sent to the Salvation Army who will assemble the kits and give them to girls when they are rescued from human/sex trafficking. Grab a STAR from the trees located in the Church’s west entrance and/or in the Gathering Area. *Thank you for your overwhelming support of this year’s Christmas in July Project – the trees have be re-filled with stars – PLEASE RETURN ITEMS BY JULY 31.*

**Beginning & Belonging Class** – The **Beginning & Belonging Class** is designed to help potential members to learn more about the mission & ministry of First UMC. Classes are scheduled on the **first Sunday of the month @ 9 AM in the Gathering Area** with Rev. Cindi. **Next class on Sunday, August 6 from 9 to 10 AM in the Gathering Area.** If you know someone who is interested in learning more about First UMC and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ and a member of the Church, please have them contact Rev. Cindi, Rev. Seong and/or the Church Office.

**First Sunday Potluck** – We’re bringing back “First Sunday Potlucks.” On the first Sunday of the month, bring a dish to share & enjoy chatting with old church family members & meeting new ones! On **Sunday, August 6**, meet at **11:30 AM** in Fellowship Hall – **August Theme: Picnic (bring your fave picnic dish)**

**Church Directory Photos** – Come and get your picture taken for our church directory! The photo that goes into the directory is of no cost to you and your family. Sign up online or call the office at 402-564-8463. This Sunday there will also be a paper sign up in the Gathering Area before and after worship. Here is the online link to sign up <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y0txml30/> . **Time slots available on Wednesday, August 9**. Please call the church office if you have any questions.

**Mission Committee's Annual Salad Luncheon** - This year's Annual Salad Luncheon will be held on **Thursday, August 17** from **11 to 1 PM** held in Fellowship Hall. Kick-off Columbus Days with this favorite event! Please sign-up to help by filling-out the bulletin tear-off sheet and/or with extras in the Church Office. Thank you for your support!!!

## **CALENDAR:**

**July 28 / 3:00 Private Family Gathering – OC (thru Sunday morning)**

**July 29 / 6 PM Worship**

**July 30 / 8 & 10:30 AM Worship / 12:00 Youth Ministry Team (OC) / 6 PM Ignite! (OC)**

**July 31 / Christmas in July items returned to office!**

**August 1 / 8-10 AM Summer Tutoring (FH) / 9:30 Bible Study (CP)**

**August 2 / 8-10 AM Summer Tutoring (FH) / 5:30 UMW Executive Team – Lib / 6:30 Grow Men**

**August 3 / 8-10 AM Summer Tutoring (FH) / 12:00 AWARE (OC) / 6 PM Prayer Team (CR) / 6:30 PM Leadership Development Class (006)**

**August 6 / 8 & 10:30 AM Worship / 11:30 AM First Sunday Potluck: *Picnic theme (bring your favorite picnic food item to share)***

## **Mark Your Calendars:**

**August 13 & 27 – Sunday School Registration in the Gathering Area between services!**

**September 10 – Rally Day**

**September 24 – Neighborhood Block Party** (formerly Fall Family Festival) @ OC

**Discipleship & Leadership Opportunities:** – Want to **VOLUNTEER / SERVE** in the Church? Watch this **\*newly added\*** section for opportunities! Email Erin Landon for more info:

[ProgramCoordinator@columbusfumc.com](mailto:ProgramCoordinator@columbusfumc.com)

**Be on the Team to Clean Children’s “Quiet” Bags** – cleaning takes place once a week for 1-2 hours (great for grandparents & grandchildren); can be done anytime; training available.

**Care Team needs a few more Caring People** to serve in a variety of ways: provide transportation to & from worship on the weekends and/or to medical appointments; make hospital visits and/or visits to homebound members; help to coordinate health & wellness activities. Care 101, 202 & 303 trainings available as scheduled. Talk to Rev. Cindi, Dee Kinkaid and/or Martha Davidson for more info.

Trainings are open to all church family members & friends who want to develop their caring skills. Sign-up in the Church Office with Rev. Cindi. Thank you!

**Sound Techs** serve in weekly worship services and/or special events as scheduled (funerals, weddings, etc). **Training available!** Expectation would be to serve once a month (if we have enough volunteers). Talk to Jim Hanna or Kevin Whited for more info!

**Weeding** is needed in our flower beds at both the Church & Outreach Center. Our previous volunteers have “aged out.” Can you offer a week or two this summer? Sign—up in the Church Office. *Thank you to those who have volunteered & started pulling those weeds!*

## Miscellaneous Items

**Young Adult Bible Study** – Rev. Seong is leading a new bible study that will discuss “purpose driven life, what on earth am I here for” by Rick Warren. They meet every other Tuesday at 6:00 PM at Rev. Seong Lee’s house (128 South Rose Ln). The next meeting dates are August 1, 15, 29 and September 12.

**First UMC’s Highways and History III - August 13 from 8 AM to 7 PM**, participate in the third installment of a motorcycle ride benefitting charities of today and taking a look back at the past. This year's event will be about 180 mile ride/drive via scenic trip to the Plainsmen Museum in Aurora, NE. **Schedule for the day is:** 8 AM Church downtown (2710 14th St); 9:15 Blessing of the bikes and other wheeled vehicles; 9:30 AM Rolling out; Noon Arrive at Plainsmen Museum in Aurora, NE; 2 PM Roll back north; 4 PM Arrive at Outreach Center for auction (3602 16th St); 5 PM Supper; 6 PM Ignite (Alternative Praise Service). For more information, contact Klint Stewart at 402-841-4637

**Summer Survival Guide / Paper Jesus!** Families, if you are using your Summer Survival Guide – we want to hear about it! *Post comments & ideas to our Facebook Page!* We would also love to post pictures of Paper Jesus in action on location with your vacations, tournaments, etc. Facebook: First UMC & Outreach Center Columbus, NE

**Columbus Days / “Old Fashioned Revival” Praise Service** – Along with our 8 AM and 10:30 AM Worship services, we will also be having a “Old Fashioned Revival” Praise Service at **9:15 AM on Sunday, August 20** in Frankfort Square. Please come and invite your friends.

**Columbus Day Parade** – Evangelism committee is looking for volunteers to walk or ride the First UMC float at the Columbus Days Parade on **August 20**. Contact Kristi Nelson or Denise Krycl with questions, or just show up. They are meeting at NPPD parking lot at **2:45 PM**.

## Community Connection!

**Rose Bushes Must Go** - Rex Hash has some rose bushes that he needs to get rid of. If anyone would like a free rose bush please call Rex Hash at 402-910-0726. He wants them to be gone by Saturday; the address is 2854 39<sup>th</sup> Ave.

**2 Day Summer Health Camp** - On **August 7 & 8** from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM. This camp is hosted by Columbus Community Hospital's healthcare professionals for children entering grades 4,5, or 6. Cost is \$25 per child to register go online before Monday, July 31, 2017 or contact Reye Snitily at 402-562-3321.

**Don't let joint pain slow you down** – Joints form the connections between bones. They also provide support and help you move. Damage to joints can interfere with movement and cause a lot of pain. Joint pain is extremely common and can affect any part of you body. Join us for a free lunch and learn panel discussion on **Wednesday, Aug. 16** from noon to 1 PM. On what causes joint pain, how to prevent it from happening and how to treat joint pain that is present. Located on the third floor conference center Columbus Community Hospital. Pre-registration requested by Monday, August 14. To register call 402-562-3380 or register online at [www.columbushosp.org](http://www.columbushosp.org).

**Celebrity Bowl –A – Rama** – Build houses by bowling down pins! On **Sunday, September 10** from 1 to 6 PM at Westbrook Lanes, grab your buddies for an afternoon of bowling fun to support Habitat for Humanity of Columbus, Ne. \$350 per team of 5 players. 3 games of 9 pin no tap, hot beef dinner, pin prizes, and split the pot. Register by August 28 to Jamie Snyder: 402-910-4182 or [rsnyder4@neb.rr.com](mailto:rsnyder4@neb.rr.com).