

On Thursday, August 10, 2017 2:10 PM, Cindi Stewart <cindi.stewart@columbusfumc.com> wrote:

First UMC / Email Blast

This Weekend in Worship...

Sun @ 8 AM & 10:30 AM – *NEW* Sermon Series, *Worn Yet Wonderful*. Feeling a little weary and/or worn-out? God has a plan to renew your spirit & to repurpose you! This weekend: *Old Has Gone, New is Here* from 2 Corinthians 5:17-21.

Sat @ 6 PM and Ignite on Sun @ 6 PM will hear the conclusion of Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. This weekend: *You are Strong in Spiritual Warfare* from Ephesians 6:10-20.

Columbus Days, August 17-20:

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 call the Church Office to sign-up to help out by bringing a salad, setting-up or cleaning-up or donating money. Thank you for your support!!!

“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 Kracl with questions, or just show up. They are meeting at NPPD parking lot at **2:45 PM**. Also: thank you for donating bags of candy!!!

“Connections” Schedule – **Sunday, August 20** is Columbus Days. We will meet in Chapel Parlor following church. We will walk over to Frankfort Square,

buy our lunch and eat at a picnic table together. (If it's really hot, we will go to Dusters). On **Sunday, September 17** at noon we will be on Marilyn Zehring's deck; chicken and dessert will be furnished bring a vegetable or salad.

CALENDAR:

August 10 / 2 PM Photo Day (OC) / 6 PM Prayer Team

August 11 / 2 PM Photo Day (OC) / 5:30 PM Wedding Rehearsal

August 12 / 10 AM Photo Day (OC) / 2:30 PM Marxsen-Blaser Wedding / 6 PM Worship – Blood Pressure Checks

August 13 / Highways & History III Ride / 8 & 10:30 AM Worship – Blood Pressure Checks / 9:30 AM Sunday School & Sunday School Registration (GA) / 4 PM H&H III Auction (OC) followed by 5 PM Meal / 6 PM Ignite! (OC)

August 14/ 6:45 PM Program Committee Chair Meeting / 7 PM Program Committees (Evangelism will be meeting at the Snyder's to assemble the Columbus Days Float)

August 15 / 9:30 Bible Study / 7 PM Board of Trustees

August 16 / 1:30 PM Eve Circle (CP) / 6 PM Youth Kick Off @ Snyder's

August 17 / 7:30 AM Salad Luncheon Drop Off / 11 AM Salad Luncheon / 12 PM AWARE (OC) / 6 PM Prayer Team

Mark Your Calendars:

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

August 13 – Highways & History III (motorcycles & more)

September 10 – Rally Day

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

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 Thursday, August 31**. Please call the church office if you have any questions. Submitted photos (digital format, please) may be sent to frontdesk@columbusfumc by **Friday, August 25**.

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

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!

Miscellaneous Items

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

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 15, 29 and September 12.**

Neighborhood block party – Mark your Calendars! We are hosting a Block Party at our Outreach Center on **Sunday, September 24** from **3 to 7 PM**. Food Vendors, Inflatables, Dunk Tank, Games, Music, And Outdoor Ignite Worship Service. We are in need of a few items for this year’s block party. If you have non-plug in generators, carnival games, plastic kiddie pool, or rubber ducks. If you have one that the church can use for the night please contact Sarah Borgman.

Community Connection!

Lois Fallick's 80th Birthday - Come help us celebrate Lois Fallick's 80th birthday! On **Saturday, August 12** from 1 to 3 PM for cake and ice cream. Located at legacy terrace activity room. No gifts please...cards and well wishes welcome! Hope to see you there!

UMW – The Great Plains UMW Annual Conference is right in our backyard on **September 29-30, 2017** at First UMC, 309 E 7th Street, York, NE. Come join this gathering of women as we share fellowship, provide mission, and gain information focused on women, youth and children. You can register online at Great Plains

UMW or by paper form find additional forms in the church office. **Registration deadline is August 21.** Hope you can join us.

Praying Our Way Forward – The Great Plains Conference and the United Methodist Church are seeking your participation in calling on the Holy Spirit for discernment for our denomination and for the Bishops' Commission on a Way Forward. On **September 3-9**, the Great Plains Conference has been urged to focus on this issue in a prayer initiative titled "Praying Our Way Forward". As a conference, our goal is to ensure people are praying daily for the commission and for the denomination, a secondary goal is to have at least one person praying all 24 hours of those days. **Columbus First UMC's time-slot is on Sunday, September 3 from 9 AM to 10 AM – please feel free to pray in the Sanctuary during this time.**

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.

Mission Academy – Come together with mission-minded people to discuss connecting with your neighbors in disaster response, emotional and spiritual care, spiritual growth in mission, serving cross culturally with grace, and more. On **September 10-13** in Aurora, Ne.