First UMC / Email Blast

This Weekend in Worship...

Sat @ **6 PM**, **Sun** @ **8 AM** & **10:30 AM** — Rev. Cindi concludes the "I Believe" sermon series with a focus on "The Life Everlasting" this weekend from Revelation 21:1-6. What images of the life to come bring you hope?

At the 10:30 AM Service, the Cherub Choir will be singing, and we will be celebrating the Confirmation of 17 students. The Ignite Music Team will be leading the confirmand-chosen songs for this special service. Please note that with 17 students, many of the pews in the sanctuary will be filled with their extended family members. As we want to make room for our special guests, you are invited & welcome to check out one of our other services to worship in this weekend! Thank You!

Ignite on Sun @ **6 PM** – Join Rev. Seong as he begins a new sermon series from the **Book of Proverbs**. This weekend, *Wealthy & Poverty (Money)* from Proverbs 30:7-9; 3:9-10; 10:15; 11:28 and 14:31. Ignite your faith at our Outreach Center!

CALENDAR:

October 7 / Blood Pressure Checks / 6 PM Worship

October 8 / Blood Pressure Checks / 8 & 10:30 AM Worship / 9 AM Sunday School / 10:30 AM Confirmation / 6 PM Ignite! / 6 PM Children's Church

October 9 / 6:30 PM Serendipity Group (OC-MR)/ 6:45 PM Program Committee Chairs Meeting / 7 PM Worship, Evangelism, Education & Mission Meetings /

October 10 / 6:30 PM Serendipity Group (206) / 7 PM Christian Social Witness (LIB)

October 11 / 3:30 PM After School Program (OC-CR) / 5 PM UMW Executive Team (LIB) / 5 PM Wednesday Night Meal (OC-YU) / 7 PM Friendship Bible Study (FH) / 7:15 PM Kidz Korner (OC-ALD) & Youth Groups (OC-YU) / 7:15 PM Five Love Languages (OC-MR)

October 12 /12 PM AWARE (OC-MR)

Mark Your Calendars:

October 8 – Confirmation (10:30 AM)

October 14 – Prairie Rivers District UMW Meeting @ Outreach Center

October 14 & 15 – UMW Weekend in Worship

October 21 &22 and 28 & 29 – "Piece by Piece" Capital Campaign

November 4 & 5 – All Saints Weekend / Daylight Savings – Fall Back!

November 11 & 12 – Stewardship Campaign: ThanksLiving

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

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!

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!

Miscellaneous Items

Wednesday Night Line-Up — Parents of Children & Youth, we have some activities at our Outreach Center from 7:15 to 8:15 PM each Wednesday! Join Rev. Cindi (and Guest Speakers) to learn & to grow!

1st: Parent Support (Meditation Room)

2nd: Five Love Languages (Meditation Room)

3rd: Organize Your Life / Using Bullet Journal (Meditation Room)

4th: Scrap / Scan – getting your family memories in order (Craft Room)

5th: Scrap / Scan – getting your family memories in order (Craft Room)

Welcome to New Outreach Center Community Partnership! First UMC would like to extend a warm welcome to Habitat for Humanity who will be having an office on the east entrance of our Outreach Center. We celebrate this community partnership!

Connections - will be Sunday, October 15th at Dusters.

Community Connection!

7th **Annual we can run, walk & roll - Saturday, October 7** at 10 AM. Located at Memorial Stadium, Pawnee Park – Columbus, Ne. There will be a 5K and 1-mile event. This year's event includes: Fitbit drawing, T-shirts, lunch, and awards for registered participants. Proceeds from this event will go towards purchasing AM Tryke bicycles, for more information, go to www.columbushosp.org. To register online, go to https://register.chronotrack.com/r/30736.

Precious H.E.A.R.T.S — Precious H.E.A.R.T.S. Interfaith Memorial Service on **Sunday, October 15** at 1:30 PM. Located at Columbus Community Hospital 3rd Floor Conference Center. Family, extende family and friends of

individuals who have experienced a pregnancy loss are welcome to attend the Precious H.E.A.R.T.S. (healing, embracing, and remembering through sharing) service. The service will be conducted by Pastor Dan Odom of First Baptist Church in Columbus. Refreshments will be served following the service.

Bazaar and Dinner – St. Anthony Church Bazaar and Dinner will be held on **Sunday, October 22** at the Agricultural Park in Columbus, Ne. A Polish sausage, turkey and dressing dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11 AM to 3 PM. Adults \$10.00, children (5-10), \$5.00, children (4 & under) no charge. There will be games for all ages, music, and auction at 3:30 PM & raffle drawings at 6 PM.

Homes Wanted & Needed — Great foster parents are willing to work in partnership, are committed to provided care and support, are willing to complete training and ongoing education, are willing to open their hearts and homes. If you have ever thought about foster care, wanted to know more about it, or just did not know where to start, let us take some time to share about this rewarding and needed service. Call and speak to a foster parent, recruiter, and trainer to find out about the role YOU can play and the difference YOU can make one child at a time. To speak with the foster care program at Epworth Village contact Heather Hultgrien (402) 710-3650, hhultgrien@epworthvillage.org.

Healthy Lifestyle Class — Tuesday, October 24th from 6 PM to 8:30 PM. Session topics include: carbohydrate counting — what is a carb, fat and calories — do they make a difference, weight loss —how much and strategies for success, importance of increasing physical activity, setting goals for success, healthy snacks. This is free to the public. Located at Columbus Wellness Center in the Multipurpose Room (3912 38th St.) To register call 402-562-4462 or go to: www.columbushosp.org.

Columbus & Living Water Rescue Mission Celebration

Banquets! — Mark your calendars for **November 6**th located at American Legion, 2263 3rd Ave. **Seating starts at 6 pm with dinner starting at 6:30**. Special music by The Wissman Family. One of the ways you may help the ministry is by sponsoring a table or tables for the banquets evening meals and cost. In this way all the evening's offering from a sponsored table goes to the ministry. Individuals who sponsor a table will be recognized on our banquet programs. The cost to sponsor a table is \$125, and you may sponsor as many tables as God puts on your heart. We need your RSVP! The evening meal and

event are free due to the generous Table Sponsors. Your RSVP, however, is our way of getting a count for how many meals we will be serving. Please call 402-563-1096 to RSVP.

Big Pals ~ **Little Pals** — Did you know that Big Pals ~ Little Pals has 17 children on their waiting list? Now is a good time to add to your life and to a child's life too. Please become a Big Pal to a child that needs your friendship. Call 402-563-1081 or find us online at www.bigpals.org. Please support the Big Pals ~ Little Pals Bowl — A — Thon on **Sunday, November 5th**, to raise money for local youth who need a caring mentor in their lives. It's a fun and easy way to make a valuable contribution to our youth. You can get involved by forming a team to bowl, sponsoring a Big & Little Pal match to bowl, or contributing prizes. Call 402-563-1081 for more information. Big Pals ~ Little Pals need you to bowl for our kids!

Prairie Rivers District Mission Trip Opportunity – The people of Prairie Rivers have responded greatly to the hurricane relief through the building of flood buckets and monetary donations. Through your help those who have had their lives disrupted by the storms have experienced the love of God in their time of need. Many thanks for all you have done. Now your church has an opportunity to help further the relief by joining a Prairie Rivers District mission team. The Prairie Rivers District is forming a district wide missions team to go to Texas this coming January to help with the recovery work from Hurricane Harvey. Please join Pastors Russ Anderson and Martin Leeper January 28th -**February 3rd.** The exact location is yet to be determined. This mission opportunity is for laity and clergy alike. More information about this trip will be discussed at the Fall Update meeting, or call Pastor Russ at 308-382-1952, or Pastor Martin at 402-741-2362 for more information. The Prairie Rivers District will help with some of the expenses keeping the cost per person low. The expected cost per person is \$200 (housing, food budget, fuel cost sharing, ect.). Volunteer in Mission (VIM) team training events will be held throughout the district for those wishing to join the mission team. Please look for information on when and where they will be held. An Early Response Team (ERT) training is set for November 18th at Central City Fairview, 9 AM – 5 PM. An ERT recertification training has been set for November 4th at Grand Island Trinity, 9 AM - 12 PM. Registration for both is online at the conference website. Participants will need to be Safe Gathering certified.