On Sunday, May 27, 2018 7:17 PM, Cindi Stewart < cindi.stewart@columbusfumc.com> wrote:

First UMC / SPECIAL Email Blast

The Great Plains Annual Conference Bishop & Cabinet, in consultation with our Staff Pastor Relations Committee, is happy to announce that **Joe Krepel** will be appointed as a local pastor to Columbus First United Methodist Church. Joe will be serving as our Associate Pastor of Outreach Ministries, beginning on **July 1**, beginning to preach at the Ignite Service on July 15.*

Joe, Tracy & their family came back home to the Columbus area in August 2017, where Joe began working at the YMCA. Prior to this, Joe served as youth director for Kearney First UMC where he also led a contemporary worship service. He brings skills in facility management along with a passion for sharing the Gospel message. Joe & his family have been attending the Ignite service at our Outreach Center, and their children have been active in Kidz Korner and youth groups. The Krepel Family joined First UMC through the Ignite Service on Pentecost Sunday, May 20.

On **Tuesday, May 29** at 7 PM in the church sanctuary, the Special Charge Conference is to certify Joe for ministry. This charge conference is prior to the Church Council meeting. All are invited and welcome to attend.

We celebrate that Joe is answering God's call in his life to serve in ministry, and we pray for his family in this time of transition! Welcome, Joe, Tracy, Jayven, Kyson, Keedyn & Petra!

*This was announced via FaceBook LIVE at the end of the Ignite Service on Sunday, May 27.