

sat 6 pm / sun 8 am

* (congregation, please stand as you are able)

🎵 prelude /

greetings & announcements / please sign the attendance register

✝️ **call to worship/** (inspired by Psalm 4)

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all: Many people say, "The light of your face has left us, LORD!"

one: Yet you have filled my heart with more joy in one ordinary day!

all: You have filled my heart with more joy than the storehouses can hold.

one: At day's end I'm ready for peaceful sleep

all: For you, God, have put my life back together.

*♥️ **passing of the peace /**

🎵 **opening song** #462 "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

affirmation of faith (inspired by Romans 8:31, 35-39)

Leader: What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

People: No! In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. AMEN.

👏 **time for young at heart /** (sing #2233 as children move forward)
Peanut & Stretch Offering for Camp Fontanelle

🎵 **song of prayer /** #2086 "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

🕊️ **holy community /** joys, concerns, prayer & Lord's prayer

✝️ **offering /** offertory & *doxology #95 & prayer

*📖 **gospel lesson /** Luke 24:44-48 / Acts 4:32-35

(sat) gospel song / #2056 "God is so Good"

✝️ **message /** **Do Good ▶ Caring Forward** Rev. Cindi

*🎵 **closing song /** #2223 "They'll Know We are Christians By Our Love"

*✝️ **benediction /**



SUN 10:30 am

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Prelude

Special Music

Cherub Choir

Greetings & Announcements

Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 4)

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*Passing of the Peace

*Opening Song #568 "Christ for the World We Sing"

Prayer of Confession

Gracious LORD, we confess in your presence that we struggle in our lives to be good and to do good. We have failed to be obedient to your ways, and we have failed to recognize the power that Jesus Christ has to transform this broken world, let alone our very own lives. Forgive us, LORD! Stir up in us a desire to serve you faithfully and with joy in our hearts. Grant us willing spirits to believe there is good in this world and inspire us to be the good so that others may experience your Divine Goodness. In the name of Jesus, we pray, AMEN.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news; Christ died for us while we were yet sinners that proves God's love towards us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. AMEN.

Children's Time (sing #2233 as children move forward)
Peanut & Stretch Offering for Camp Fontanelle

Special Music

Chancel Choir

*Gospel Lesson Luke 24:44-48 / Acts 4:32-35

Message / **Do Good ▶ Caring Forward** Rev. Cindi

Song of Prayer #2086 "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Joys & Concerns / Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Offering / Offertory / *Doxology #95 & Prayer

*Closing Song #2056 "God is So Good"

*Benediction

Book of Discipline, 103:
Way of salvation begins
"by doing good"

What are the boundaries?
What are the limits?
What does doing good look
like in our divided
& wounded world?

Gospel Passage

Opened minds of disciples
To Scriptures
To be Witnesses

Acts of Apostles

All believers...
One heart & mind...
Great **power** to testify!
God's **grace** at work!
NO needy persons...

Can we imagine this world?

Gotta give up obstacles
to discipleship:
Control, Rejection, Self

United Methodists have a
history of "doing good"
This is NOT works salvation!

**Power to transform lives
and to change the world!**

"Be" good & "do" good!



PRAYER FOCUS / Spiritual Growth Opportunities

IN OUR PRAYERS: *Those who have been hospitalized recently; those who have had surgery; those who are grieving; those facing cancer & illnesses; those in church leadership:* Bishop Ruben Saenz Jr.; Prairie Rivers District Superintendent Lance Clay, Prairie Rivers District Office; Hastings Grace United Methodist Church; and the UMC in Willow, Alaska. **Those in the Military:** Members: Aron Alt, Tim Hiemer, Christina Kretchman, Ryan Pickinpaugh, Kollin Forney and Nicole Schacher. Family & Friends of Members: Jason Juracek, Josh Kantor, Bob Sheets, J.D. Riesland, Shawn A. Peterson, Kyle Eiler, Bailey Ball, Brian Stoltenberg, Columbus NG 128th Engineer Battalion. **Those in the Peace Corps; those serving as missionaries.**

SUNSHINE CORNER includes our XYZ members (90 years +) and our homebound, assisted living & care center residents. We ask that you drop them a card, pay them a visit, give them a phone call and/or pray for them. This week, we remember:

Darlene Rosendahl
Country Side Home (Memory Care)
703 N. Main
Madison, NE 68748



Altar flowers are donated in memory of Tom Hunt, given by Sharon Hunt.



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Worship Notes:

**Do Good ▶
 Caring Forward**

Luke 24:44-48
 (Acts 4:32-35)

What does it mean to “be” good and to “do” good?

As we embrace the *United Methodist expression* of the Christian faith:

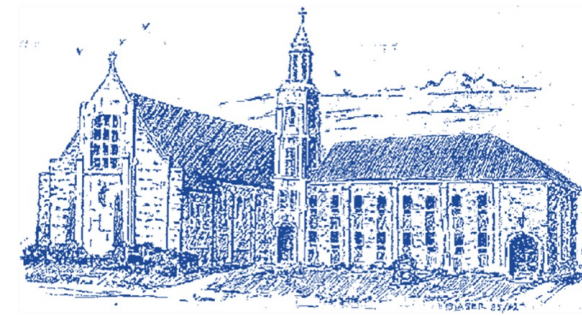
If we are to live our lives well, what rules should we live by?

Rueben P. Job re-examined John Wesley’s three rules for living (2007)

Rule #1: do no harm

Rule #2: do good

These rules have the power to change the world!



WELCOME!

Columbus First United Methodist Church

April 14 & 15, 2018

Thank you for worshiping with us this weekend!

As we worship, we express our gratitude to God our Creator, Jesus Christ our Redeemer and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer. Thank you for signing the attendance register. *Quiet sacks are located in the back for our young disciples.*

Beginning & Belonging / If you are interested in learning more about the mission & ministry of First UMC and/or joining the church, check out the “Beginning & Belonging” class in the Gathering Area on **May 6th** from 9 to 10 AM. For more information, talk to Rev. Cindi.

Mission / To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Vision / To be a center for Christian growth & outreach.

Church & Office

2710 14th Street
 Office Hours: M-F, 8 to 5 PM
 (402) 564-8463

Worship: Sat @ 6 PM,
 Sun @ 8 & 10:30 AM



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Ignite Worship: Sun @ 6 PM

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TODAY: What is one way that you can demonstrate care in this church family/community/world?