Weekly Circuit Rider

Columbus First United Methodist Church
Tuesday, July 29, 2025

Evangelism & Worship Committees to Host 8/3 1st Sunday Potluck

Evangelism's mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by promoting and maintaining a Christian atmosphere within the congregation. They focus on the areas of hospitality, spiritual growth and faith sharing, with a desire to grow the Church both internally and externally. The Worship Committee takes care of all things related to our worship services such as changing the banners to keep with the church's season, serving Holy Communion and coordinating special worship services throughout the year. They believe that worshipping and praising God as a church family enriches the experience and builds stronger bonds within the congregation.

This Week at a Glance: Wednesday, 7/30— Tuesday, 8/5

Wednesday July 30

UMM/GROWMen Breakfast
6:30 AM ● FH

Revolution
10:30 AM ● YU

Walgren Funeral
10:30 AM ● Sanct

Al-Anon
5:45 PM ● #007

Thursday July 31

AWARE
10:30 AM ● Marilyn Zehring's House

Red Cross Blood Drive
8 AM ● CmR

Sleeping Mat Weaving
1 PM ● WVR

Food Pantry
4 PM ● First UMC Food Pantry

Prayer Team
5 PM ● Crown Villa

NA Meeting
6:30 PM ● 006

Friday August 1

Revolution
10 AM ● YU

Habitat for Humanity
Noon ● WR

Keystone Picnic
Noon ● CmR

Saturday August 2

Sunday August 3

Worship On-Site at 8 AM

Worship On-Site & Online at 10:30 AM

Re...Worship
11 AM ● WR

1st Sunday Potluck
11:30 AM ● FH

Monday August 4

Nelson Funeral
11 AM ● Sanct

Bible Study
1 PM ● Crown Villa

Tuesday August 5

Quilters
8:30 AM ● QR

Tues AM Bible Study
9:30 AM ● CP

Revolution
10 AM ● YU

GROWMen
6 PM ● FH

NA Meeting
6:30 PM ● 007

Survivors of Suicide
7 PM ● GA

Blue women's groups
Dark Red men's groups
Orange youth
Purple caring ministries
Pink small groups
Bright Red special events
Green worship
Brown First UMC program/admin mtgs

Bold = First UMC event

Unbold = outside event or community partner

Underlined = at the Outreach Center

Room Key: Church

Sanct	Sanctuary
CP	Chapel Parlor
FH	Fellowship Hall
GA	Gathering Area
Lib	Library

Room Key: Outreach Center (OC)

Ald	Aldersgate
BP	Backpack Room
CmR	Community Room
MR	Meditation Room
QR	Quilter's Room
RR	Robotics Room
WR	Wesley Room
WVR	Weaving Room
YU	Youth Underground

What's Happening

Upcoming
mark your calendars

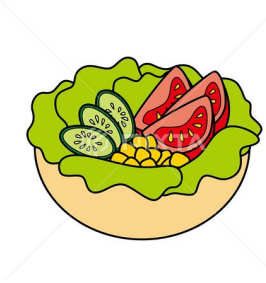
August 3 / 1st Sunday Potluck
Hosted by Evangelism & Worship
Sloppy Joes and Hot Dogs!

August 13 / Youth Kick-Off
@ the OC; Burger Bash & Slip 'n Slide

August 13 / Wednesday J.A.M. resumes

Love One Another signs available now

We have replenished our Love One Another sign stock. Please feel free to pick one up in Chapel Parlor.



Annual Salad Luncheon on 8/7!

The Mission Committee sponsors this event each year, but we reach out to all of you to share your time and talents to make the day a success. Sign up sheets are available now. We can't do this without you!

Attendance data will resume next week.

Leap of Faith Scholarships Available for Women Continuing Their Education

If you've ever dreamed of continuing your education, taking a new step in your journey, or unlocking new opportunities, the United Women in Faith are here to support you. We have created a scholarship for women beyond high school who are eager to further their education—whether in college, vocational training, or other learning paths. Each year we provide a one-time $500 scholarship to a woman furthering her education.

If you or someone you know could benefit from this opportunity, we encourage you to apply. Applications are available in the church office of Business Coordinator Sue Overturf 402-564-8463, sue.overturf@columbusfumc.com.

No matter where you are in life, your aspirations matter, and we want to encourage and empower you to take that next step.

Blessings on your journey.
Anne Kallesen
For United Women in Faith

Loss of Spouse and GriefShare Sessions to start in September

The one-time session **Loss of Spouse** will be Tuesday, 9/2 at 4 PM. The 13-week **GriefShare series** will run Monday, 9/22 through Monday, 12/15, also at 4 PM. All sessions are one and a half hours long and have accompanying videos and workbook. No matter who you are grieving the loss of or what stage of your grief you are in, all are welcome. You will find love and community. Confidentiality is a must. Contact the **Church Office** at 402-564-8463 or **Dee Kinkaid** at 402-564-6599 or 402-360-1834 for further information or to sign up.

Keystone Annual Picnic

Friday, August 1, 2025, 11:45 AM
At the Outreach Center
3602 16th Street

Fried chicken will be provided.
Bring a dish to share If you wish.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

From Bonnie Summers and Martha Davidson

Accent Floral will be another floral option for Altar Flowers beginning in September. Altar Flowers can be arranged by Accent Floral or Hy-Vee Floral. Hy-Vee Floral offers one large arrangement or two smaller arrangements for $60. Accent Floral will arrange one large arrangement for $60.

The Altar Flowers Calendar is in the Gathering Area on the east side of column on the right-hand side of the sink area. After you sign up for a certain Sunday, the month before you will receive an email. The email will ask you where you would like the flowers arranged and details for your arrangement. The Church office order the next month's flowers. You can include your payment for Altar Flowers in a Sunday's offering or stop by the Church Office.

Beginning in September, Accent Floral is excited to design Altar flowers for you.

🤝 Small Group Meeting Survey

Building Relationships Together with Pastor K

We're excited to start small groups focused on building meaningful relationships!

Please fill out this survey to help us find the best time and location that works for everyone interested in joining.

Your Name:

Contact information

Email Address/ Phone:

🗓️ When can you meet?

Select all the times that work for you:

Wednesday at 10:00 AM
Wednesday at 6:00 PM
Thursday at 10:00 AM
Thursday at 6:00 PM

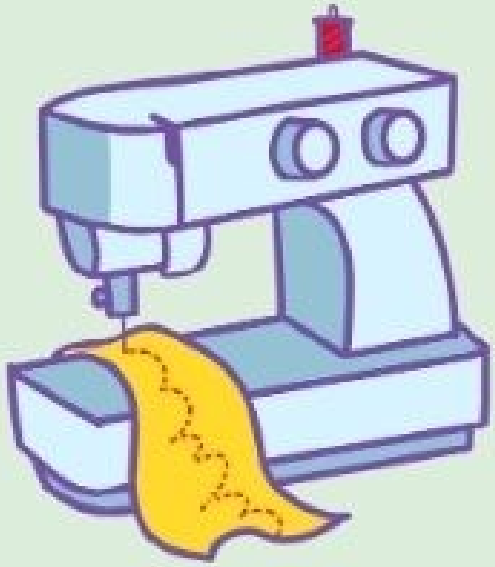
📍 Where would you prefer to meet?

Select all the locations that work for you:

a) Pastor K's Apartment
b) Hy-Vee Dining Room
c) Coffee Shop
d) Other (please specify in comments)

Additional Comments or Suggestions:

📨 Submit Survey to Pastor K or Lisa Nielsen in the Church Office.



Creation Station is seeking

2-4 SEWING MACHINES

to make next year's program special!

We'll only need them for two months,

September and October.

Please let Seulki Choi, Sandy Fricke, or the church office know if you have one to lend or donate.

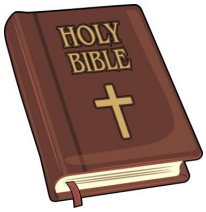
Fair Trade items available all week long!

Just stop by the library across the hall from the Church Office from 7:30 AM to 6 PM, Monday thru Thursday. Coffees, teas, jewelry – there's a lovely selection of items on display!

Thanks to everyone who donates cash and food items to keep the First UMC Food Pantry ministry alive and thriving in our community!

Help us clear these "slow pokes" out of the Scrip box!

Bed, Bath & Beyond *(online only)*	$25
Big Apple Bagels	$5
Famous Footwear	$25
Hobby Lobby	$25
Jimmy Johns	$25
Long John Silvers *(outside Columbus)*	$10
Lowe's	$25
Panda Express	$25
Panera Bread	$10
Papa Murphy's *(outside Columbus)*	$10
Under Armour	$25



Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tuesday mornings
9:30—10:30 AM
Church Chapel Parlor

ALL are welcome! No prior Bible knowledge required. Come and grow in your faith!

August 2025

Anniversaries

CARLSON, Tony & Sandra	08/01	SHEPHERD, Bob & Becky	08/13
BURTON, Tom & Sue	08/03	NAYLOR, Jeff & Miki	08/14
CLABORN, Jeff & Jenny	08/04	HUTSON, Norm & Linda	08/16
HEIN, Felicia & Kyle	08/05	POPE, Patrick & Jackie	08/20
KING, Justin & Chris	08/06	WALGREN, Whitey & Shirley	08/21
MOLCZYK, Douglas & Linette	08/06	DETLEFSEN, Darrell & Rebecca	08/22
WETGEN, Nicole & Sean	08/07	HIEMER, Jon & Sharon	08/24
DALES, David & Ann	08/08	KONZ, Nicki & Matt	08/27
FERRIS, Katie & Keith	08/08	REED, Larry & Lana	08/27
KURTENBACH, Todd & Beth	08/09	INSELMAN, Dennis & Jan	08/29
LUEBBE, Dick & Patti	08/10	STAHL, James & Tania	08/31
GREENE, Bill & Leta	08/12		

August Birthdays

HANNA, Nancy	08/03	HOUSER, Angela		08/18
WEMHOFF, Lynn	08/05	BELL, Amy		08/19
WHITED, Kevin	08/05	SCOTT, Brody		08/19
GERNSTEIN, Chaz	08/06	THOMS, Raenelle		08/20
BORGMAN, Daniel	08/07	JEFFERSON, Dale		08/21
GARRETSON, Catherine	08/07	SEAMANS, Jeanine	**XYZ**	08/21
HASH, Bennett	08/07	BENNE, Mark		08/24
MUELLER, Shary	08/07	PAZZELLI, Dorothy		08/24
WETGEN, Nicole	08/07	SORENSON, Justin		08/24
PATCHEN, Hayley	08/08	JAROSZ, Kelsey		08/26
TIMM, Hayley	08/08	KINNISON, Chuck		08/26
DELACRUZ, Makiaya	08/09	SCHROEDER, Bonnie		08/26
DELACRUZ, Renee	08/09	WETGEN, Trevor		08/26
HOBZA, Karleigh	08/09	WILLIAMS, Jordan		08/26
LUEBBE, Sadie	08/10	MUELLER, Lauren		08/27
MAKOVICKA, Cyndi	08/10	SALAK, Lacey		08/27
WORDEN, Dennis	08/11	SALAK, Riley		08/27
JOSYLN, Kaye	08/13	SWEARINGEN, Tim		08/27
KRETCHMAN, Linda	08/13	CONDON, Schuyler		08/28
AVILA, Melody	08/14	MERRILL, Dave		08/28
BLASER, Phyllis	08/14	RILEY, Tammy		08/28
DEGN, Noah	08/14	REED, Travis		08/29
PLETTNER, Mary	08/14	NELSON, Brian		08/30
CUNNINGHAM, Benjamin	08/16	NIELSEN, Barb		08/30
PATRAS, Nancy	08/16	DANNELLY, Victoria		08/31
FIGG, Kennedy	08/17	LUEBBE, Angie		08/31
KING-ORTIZ, Izzy	08/17	SCHINDLER, Jana		08/31
LEE, Pastor K	08/17			

The Kids

Youth Kickoff

Burger Bash and Slip N Slide with water games

Wednesday, August 13
6:00—8:00 PM

@ Outreach Center
Bring a towel and camp chair

ALL are welcome to attend!

Senior Daniel Borgman will present the message at Re..Worship on August 10th at 11:15 AM.

Come hear the message and support this amazing young man.

Wednesday Nite Jam
Beginning August 20th
@ the Outreach Center

2:30 –5:30 After School Program
5:30—6:30 Supper
6:30—7:00 Worship
7:00—7:45 Group Time (Grades K-4)
7:00 –8:00 (Grades 5-12)

Family Fishing Adventure
August 16: Rocky Plettner's Cabin
(watch for details and directions)

10 AM—1 PM

Grilled hotdogs and lots of fun for ALL ages!

What to bring: fishing gear and bait, beverage, camp seat

*for those who don't have fishing gear there will be some on hand.

The "Want" Ads

The Green Team

The Green Team is looking for a few extra people to help with recycling efforts at the Church and Outreach Center. Recycling is gathered on Wednesday mornings. It usually takes 45 minutes to an hour to collect and stage the recycling for pick-up.

Thank you for considering this worthwhile project. We are striving to become a Green Church!

For more information and training, call **Rodney** at **402-910-8434.**

Scrip cards are a handy way to take care of everything from your gift-giving to grocery buying needs. Purchase on Sunday mornings between or after church services, or stop by the office anytime Monday through Thursday between 7:30 AM and 6 PM.

Call-in orders are welcome!

First UMC Food Pantry Needs

Our community food pantry is serving more people than ever! The following items are needed on an ongoing basis:

- Canned meat, chicken and tuna
- 16 oz peanut butter and jelly
- Cereal, Pop Tarts and breakfast bars
- Spaghetti and canned spaghetti sauce
- Canned fruit and applesauce
- Canned soups; chunky soups

No glass containers, please!

If you would like to help with the **sleeping mat project** but can't attend the Thursday afternoon weaving sessions, you can **cut plastic bags** at home to be used during the weaving sessions! Check out **www.midwestmission.org/loom** for a video demonstration, or stop into the Church Office and have Lisa show you. It's easy, it's fun, and it's for a great cause!

Church Worship

Sunday 8 AM Worship

Sunday JAM (Jesus and Me) **— 9 AM**
All ages!

10:30 AM Worship

Outreach Center Worship

Wednesday Nite JAM — 6:30 PM
(all ages, August—May)

Re...Worship—11 AM

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First UMC & Outreach Center
Columbus, NE

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Columbus, NE

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Front Desk Volunteers
Contact the office for more information!

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Church Office Hours: Monday — Thursday, 7:30 AM to 6 PM

The Church Office is open over the lunch hour.

Call the Church Office for admittance to the building.