

FirstCHURCH

First United Methodist Church of Boulder

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*"... Seeking justice,
loving kindness, and
walking humbly with
God!" ~ Micah 6:8*



“Living into a More Beloved Community through the Sharing of Wisdom”

Sunday, May 24, 2020

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

~ Matthew 6:21

PRELUDE

“Psalm 72”

The Chancel Choir

Gerald W. Holbrook, ©1996

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celene Lillie

Welcome to worship this morning as we celebrate the 7th Sunday of Easter.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Stephanie Moffitt

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Elliott Mickelberry

As United Methodists, we affirm the Wesleyan Quadrilateral:

The living core of the Christian faith is revealed in scripture, illumined by tradition, confirmed with reason and made real in personal experience.

(The United Methodist Book of Discipline)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 6:19-21

19 'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust* consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust* consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal.

²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

MESSAGE

“What is Your Treasure?”

Matthias Krier

Type into the chat room what it is you most treasure in life.

CANDLE LIGHTING COMMUNITY PRAYERS

You are invited to light a candle in your home as you lift up a prayer for family, community or world. You may also use the chat function on Zoom to share your prayers with our community. Please don't forget to blow out your candle at the conclusion of today's service.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Diapason Movement”

William Walond (1725-1770)

Gerald Holbrook, organ

PASTORAL PRAYER

Celene Lillie

PRAYER OF JESUS

Our Mother and Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy names. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

HONORING OF GRADUATES

Heidi Lewis & Stephanie Moffitt

There is a separate page with the names of this year's graduates. You can find it at the end of the worship bulletin.

GRADUATION BLESSING

Matthias Krier

Bless this day
And bless this moment,
A celebration of your work,
Your dedication, your learning.

Bless the past
And bless the future,
All those who mentored,
Taught, and guided you.

Bless this threshold
And bless your journey.
Wise ones walk with you,
Whisper to you, protect you.

Bless this day
And bless this moment,
Your ending, your beginning,
Your special day.

Celtic Blessings by Beth A. Richardson

*HYMN “All Loves Excelling” (Beecher) John Zundel, 1870

*BENEDICTION Matthias Krier

Do all the good you can
By all the means you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
With all the people you can
As long as ever you can.
Amen.
Amen.

POSTLUDE Sonata in D Major, Mvmt 1, *Allegro con brio* Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)
Jordan Ortman, piano

*This week, as we all live into the things around us,
let us remember to offer peace to one another.*

After worship, please stay on Zoom and join us for Coffee Hour!

Please watch your email, and check our website and Facebook page,
to find out about our plans for future church services and gatherings
as the coronavirus pandemic continues to develop.

Sunday, May 31, 2020 - Pentecost Sunday

Scripture Lesson: John 7:37-39

Speaker: Matthias Krier

Message: *Living Water*

Congratulations to the 2020 Graduates of the First United Methodist Church Community!

Rowan Cattau is an elementary school graduate! He is graduating from 5th grade at Crest View Elementary. Congratulations Rowan!

Eleanor Malmberg is an elementary school graduate! She is graduating from 5th grade at Mackintosh Academy. Congratulations Eleanor!

Anna Higgins is a high school graduate! Anna graduated from Dawson School this spring. Congratulations Anna!

Zayna Pieper graduated from the University of Colorado, Boulder, this spring with a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering Plus. Congratulations Zayna!

Helena "Heli" Sandvold, Karen Sandvold's granddaughter, graduated from Northwestern University in Evanston, IL, with a Bachelor's Degree in Theatre/Film. Congratulations Heli!

Julia Birgen graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, in April with a Master of Philosophy in Modern Irish History. Congratulations Julia!

Jake Lewis graduated from the University of Colorado, Boulder, in December with a Master's Degree in Civil/Environmental Engineering. Congratulations Jake!

Laura Wells Murray, Ginny Wells' granddaughter, completed her PhD in Mathematics at Notre Dame this spring. Congratulations Laura!

*Heartfelt congratulations and best wishes
to all of this year's graduates!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coming In July: Arts for Kids' Souls Virtual Camp ~ This year's Arts for Kids' Souls Camp will be held during July. Due to safety precautions and gathering restrictions, camp will move to a limited virtual gathering, with arts and crafts, lessons, and activities provided when you register your kids for camp. Next week we will be sending out more details, including a registration link. If you have questions, please reach out to Camp Director Stephanie Moffitt: stephaniewm@fumcboulder.org.

Out Boulder County Starting Direct Aid Program ~ Our partners at Out Boulder County (OBC) have started a direct aid program for LGBTQ individuals being disproportionately impacted by the novel coronavirus. In an email this week, OBC wrote, "We are well aware of the fact that LGBTQ individuals are at higher risk of being seriously impacted by the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, both in terms of finances as well as health, as a result of marginalization that leads to more negative health indicators and economic disadvantages. As Out Boulder County works to remain responsive to our communities' needs in this unprecedented time while fulfilling our mission to provide support to our LGBTQ communities, we have started an LGBTQ Direct Aid program in which applicants can apply for financial support ranging from \$25 up to \$800 per individual." If you or someone you know could benefit from this program, please visit OBC's website to learn more and apply for aid: <https://www.outboulder.org/covid19/#aid>.

Calling All Musicians ~ If you would like to participate in our Sunday Zoom Services by contributing your musical talent, please contact Gerald Holbrook, our Director of Music: geraldholbrook99@gmail.com. All it entails is creating a video of you making music, and sending it to Gerald. This can be vocal or instrumental, or both. Solo, duet, trio, ensemble....everything is possible.

Give Blood If You Can ~ Vitalant is asking healthy people to consider giving blood right now to help with anticipated needs due both to COVID-19, and to non-COVID medical procedures that were delayed due to the pandemic. For more information, and to schedule a donation appointment, visit their website: <https://www.vitalant.org/Home.aspx>.

Connection Opportunities Next Week ~ Missing your church family? Don't worry! You can still connect with us! There are six opportunities to connect with First UMC of Boulder each week:

Sunday:	10:30 am	Worship & Coffee Hour on Zoom
Tuesday:	11:45 am	Sacred Bites Bible Study with Celene on Zoom

Wednesday: 6:30 pm Youth Meet-Up with Heidi on Zoom (every other week)
Thursday: 12:30 pm Community CIC (Check In Call) on Conference Call
with Matthias
Thursday: 7:00 pm Community Check In on Zoom
Friday: 12:00 pm Family Story Time with Stephanie on Zoom

If you're on our email list, you'll receive Zoom meeting information and conference call information for these gatherings. If you'd like to be added to our email list, or if you need help connecting on Zoom or our Conference Call system, please call or email the church office: 303.442.3770 or office@fumcboulder.org.

UMW (United Methodist Women) ~ Although UMW circles may not be meeting, members are keeping busy. We have made over 300 cloth masks. These have been distributed to medical facilities, animal hospitals, senior living centers, day care centers, the Boulder County Sheriff's department including inmates at the jail, and to more than 30 of our members and friends. The need for masks is not diminishing, but increasing. If you are interested in helping, please email Connie Takamine: ctakamine@msn.com. Also if you need a mask, which is now mandatory in many public areas, please let Connie know. Through all of this, if you have not yet responded to your UMW Pledge to Mission letter, please consider making a financial contribution. We are still supporting missions around the world. Most all conference activities have been suspended through the summer. We still hope to have our summer tea at Ruth Irvin's home...stay tuned!

Needed: Old T-Shirts!!! ~ Do you have old t-shirts to spare? They can be holey, they can be paint-smearred. They just need to be washed. Since faces come in all shapes and sizes, cloth masks do not fit everyone in the same way. Someone has come up with ingenious t-shirt ties that require NO sewing. If you can donate some t-shirts, please contact Connie Takamine: ctakamine@msn.com. Please also contact her if you're interested in learning how to make t-shirt ties.

May Mission of the Month: FUMC Scholarship Fund ~ It has been said that education is the great equalizer and opens the doors to many opportunities. First United Methodist Church has long been committed to helping young people get an education. For many years, the church has granted scholarships thanks to a generous gift from a former teacher. Mother's Day was established as the official offering day for contributions to the Scholarship Fund, but donations will be accepted all month long. Please consider giving generously to help more young people achieve their educational goals. You can mail your check made payable to First United Methodist Church to the church office; please write "May Mission of the Month" in the memo line. You can also make your gift online via our website: <https://fumcboulder.org/about/donating/>.

Giving to FUMC During the Pandemic ~ Just a reminder that FUMC can still receive your offering gifts to support God's work in the world, even in these unsettling days. Mail is still being checked weekly in the church office, so you can mail checks, made payable to First United Methodist Church, to 1421 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302. You can also give online via our website:

<https://fumcboulder.org/about/donating/>.

MOJO (Mission Outreach Justice Opportunities) and Information for those Interested in Social Justice and the Environment ~ Hello! We're all finding that we have to make new ways of connecting with each other and the community. During this time, we will list some opportunities to volunteer in our community, or ways you can be engaged in justice opportunities, in our bulletins and the *Pastoral Ponderings* eblast. Here are this week's offerings! Questions or comments to Brenda Mehos, MOJO Co-Coordinator: bmehos@comcast.net.

1. The Harvest of Hope Pantry is in need of volunteers at their food bank on 2960 Valmont Rd in Boulder. They are looking for volunteers under the age of 65 without health issues. Visit them at www.hopepantry.org and sign up there, or call 720-382-1971.

2. The Boulder Farmers Market Volunteer Coordinator has been having a hard time finding volunteers. They need people to deliver farmers' goods to those with low food access in Boulder County. Sign up through these two links:

<https://bit.ly/bcfmpack>

<https://big.ly/distributefood>

3. BCAP (Boulder County AIDS Project) Needs: BCAP is not accepting food items at this time, but your monetary donations help them buy food items, cleaning supplies, paper towels and toilet paper for their building. Please contact Sarah Annecone at 303-444-6121, ext 109, before dropping off. Donate at www.bcap.org.

4. Out Boulder County Needs: sanitizing wipes. Call 303-499-5777 before dropping off as they have limited hours right now.

Attention Homes Needs During COVID-19 ~ Help Attention Homes keep their pantries stocked for Attention Homes Apartments residents! Needed items include nonperishables including canned and dry goods; stable fruit such as bananas, clementines, oranges and apples; paper products; and cleaning supplies including Lysol wipes and hand sanitizer. You can drop off supplies from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in the vestibule with no contact. It's best to call ahead to the front desk before coming by: 720-677-6293. Contact Mo Shirley with any questions about donations: mshirley@attentionhomes.org.

UPDATE: The Attention Homes fundraising gala, Hollywood Lights, has been rescheduled for Saturday evening, August 8. Visit Attention Homes' website to learn more: <https://www.attentionhomes.org/13th-annual-gala/>.