

SMALL GROUPS

Care Team

The Care Team was created in June, 2016 to supplement pastoral care. The ministry includes visitation to homebound, care to those needing support, grief booklet ministry, sending care cards and birthday cards to those over eighty and to kids ages 5-11, caring closet, organizing social outings and sponsoring workshops. The Care Team currently consists of ten laypersons and two clergy and persons with an interest in our ministry are welcome to join our team.

Caring Closet

Caring Closet is a ministry that provides free children's clothing to anyone in need. The service is open to the public on the first, and third Tuesday of the month 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the downtown campus in the fellowship hall. The group meets weekly to sort donations received. If you would like to help out in any way, please contact the office or Phyllis Crowe @ 701-367-3445.

Quilters

The quilting group meets each week on Tuesdays, 1 to 4pm at the downtown campus on the lower level. All are welcome and its as simple as tying a knot.

UMW

United Methodist Women is a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons though Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of missions. Circles meet monthly. If interested, please contact the office for more information.

Coffee w/ Conversation

Have a little free time Thursday mornings? Like to visit with friends or meet new people? Join us at 10 am in the dinette at the downtown campus for some 'coffee and conversation' and snacks. Not a coffee drinker? That's ok.

Seekers Bible Study Group

The Seekers is an adult bible study group that meets every Sunday at 8:30 am at our downtown campus in the volunteer center on the lower level.

PRAYERS



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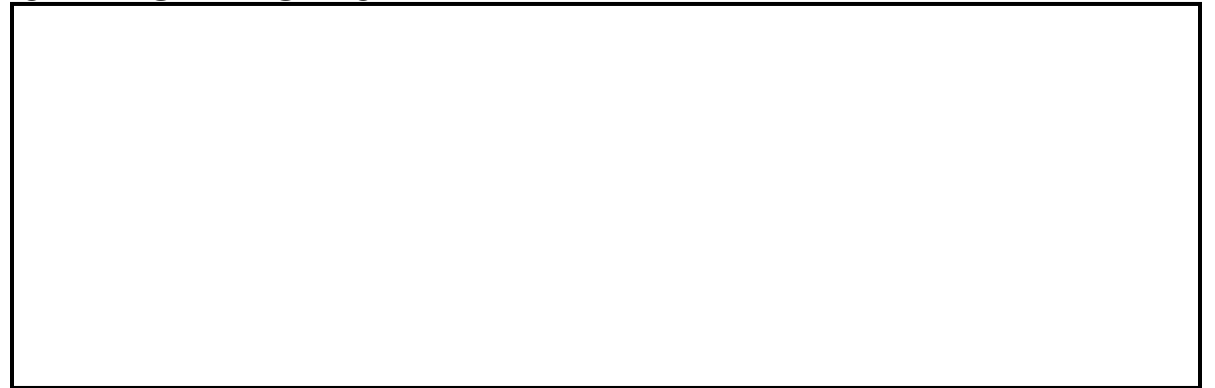
Fargo, North Dakota

Jan 13 - 14, 2018

WELCOME

Thank you for being in worship today! It's great to see you! Our mission is to "make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!" How do we do this? We "Love God & Love Neighbor!" We pray God blesses you in this time of worship! If you have any questions, please speak with one of our greeters or ushers. Ushers can direct you to restrooms, the nursery and busy bags for children! The bags are located in the back of the room. Hearing assist devices are available, please ask an usher.

SERMON NOTES



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

We are grateful to those serving this weekend:

9:30 am Sunday (Downtown Campus) — Greeters: Frank Kohoutek; Ushers: Darwin Adamson, Gary Cossette; Hospitality: Jan Cosette; Music: Joy for the Journey Band

11:00 am Sunday (Downtown Campus) — Greeters: Arliss Koehler, Kathy Tofflemire; Ushers: *Obediah Smith, Richard Roberts, Jason Krueger, Wally Sizer; Hospitality: Eileen Dustin; Organist/Music: Nancy Lilleberg;

A/V: Jef Curfman (9:30), Chris Williams (11)

Saturday Night (South Campus) — Communion prep & Greeter(s): Jody Wentz; Music: Dave Franzen

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Financial Peace University Class

Money doesn't have to be stressful! Budget is not a curse word! Learn how to take control of your money, pay off debt, plan for the future and give like no one else! This 9-week class begins on Monday January 22nd at 7pm at the downtown campus, led by Pastor Ryan. Register online at www.daveramsey.com/FPU. Cost of class materials is \$109. See Pastor Ryan for questions or email him at pastorryan@firstumcfargo.org

Saturday Night Worship Meeting - January 20th

Join us for soup/chili & bread following worship on Saturday, January 20th at 6:20pm as we talk about the mission and continuation of Saturday night worship at the South Campus. We'll talk about our purpose & mission, share ideas and look to the future. All are welcome to participate in this gathering at the South Campus.

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser - January 21st

We will have a Pancake breakfast fundraiser for Spirit Lake Ministries to help provide Lent Study Materials. Free will offering. Meal includes Pancakes, egg bake, fruit, juice & coffee. Sunday, Jan. 21st 9am—1pm. Join us for good food and support Spirit Lake Ministries.

Tech Volunteers Needed for New Ministry Gadgets!

Our Tech Team has been working on a plan to Live Stream our worship services! What does this mean? It means if you are unable to attend worship at the downtown campus, you can watch from home, vacation or the lake on your computer, tablet device or phone! We're looking to expand our Tech Team volunteers at 9:30am & 11am. Jef, Brad & Chris will do all the training! Talk to them today at the booth in the back!

First Connect Membership Class

Are you interested in joining Fargo First UMC or learning more about our mission and ministry? Attend a First Connect class to learn about the United Methodist Church beliefs, the mission of Fargo First UMC, learn how to get connected to some amazing ministries and have your questions answered. Join Pastor Ryan on Tuesday, January 30th at 7pm at the downtown campus.

Winter Overflow Shelter Volunteer Request

If you are able to volunteer for a night shift from 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm or a morning shift from 6:00 am to 8:00 am for any day in January at the Dilworth Community Center, please alert Brady McClafin at (218) 236-0372, ext. 252 or email Brady your availability at bmclafin@churches-united.org, including what nights/mornings you would like to serve, and we will be in touch to confirm.

Churches United for the Homeless

The 2018 sign up schedule is at the Welcome Desk. The 2nd Saturday of each month we are responsible for making and serving the evening meal at Churches United for the homeless. Having 4 people is ideal, but the more the merrier. The time is from 3 or 3:30pm until 7pm. When service ends, you just have to put the food away and clean up the kitchen area. The residents will do the dishes. If you've never done it before and would like some guidance, just indicate that on the sign up sheet. There are experienced people willing to help. Thank you!

A Taste of the World Event

The Red River Valley Asperger-Autism Network will hold its annual "A Taste of the World" event on Friday, Jan. 19th from 6-9 pm at Dakota Medical Foundation. The event will feature international cuisine catered by Concordia College, drinks and a gift card auction. International students from NDSU will serve as hosts & Hostesses. Tickets are \$60 online at www.RRVAN.org or 701-566-1675. Proceeds help support education, social activities, and support groups for affected individuals and their families.

Evangelism for Non-Evangelists

This five-week online introductory evangelism course, starting 2/1 @ 6pm, invites you to grow deeper in your own faith and, as you do, reflect on why you believe God is good, articulate your faith in a way that is authentic to that belief, and develop creative practices that grow from those beliefs. Visit <https://www.garrett.edu/online-offerings/evangelism-non-evangelists> to sign up.

Door Security & Lock Changes Downtown

The new security and electronic lock system is nearing completion and will go live on Feb. 5th. The main entrance from the parking lot will be open during regular business hours, unless there are security concerns. If the door is locked when you arrive, please press the call button and the office can give you access. A key policy is being completed by the Trustees. Keys will not be issued to everyone. We have the ability with this new system to have the doors automatically unlock for your group meeting time and lock automatically after you arrive. We will also have key fobs that give you one time access, which can be assigned by the Office for your group's use. Please be patient as we make this transition. If you believe you need a key for access, please contact Jennifer in the office at 232-4416. For additional information or questions, please contact our Trustees co-chairs, Darwin Adamson & Neil Johnson.

FUMC Volunteer Opportunities!

Nursery volunteers at 9:30am or 11am
Sound & Video Tech Team on Sunday mornings
Greeters & ushers for worship at 9:30am & 11am
Hospitality helpers to make coffee on Sundays
If interested or to learn more, please call the office 701-232-4416.

Bulletin Sponsorship

The bulletins are sponsored this month by Evelyn Seigel in memory of Susan Hansen

January Worship Stats

1/6-1/7 5:30pm = 15 9:30am = 53 11am = 94 Total: 162

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Have a blessed week!

Monday 1/15/18:

- Caring Closet Sorting (Fellowship Hall) - 9 am
- FUMC Book Club (Dinette) - 7 pm

Tuesday 1/16/18:

- Staff Meeting (Conference Room) - 9 am
- Caring Closet Distr. (Fellowship Hall) - 11 am
- Quilters (Quilting Room) - 1pm

Wednesday 1/17/18:

- Generous Justice Class (Dinette) - 10 am
- Café First Meal (Fellowship Hall) - 5 pm
- Bell Choir Practice (Old Choir Room) - 5:15 pm
- Prayer Shawl Ministry (1st flr. Lobby) - 6 pm
- Women's Open AA Mtg. (South Campus) - 6 pm
- Youth Group (2nd & 3rd Floor) - 6 pm
- Confirmation - (Chapel) - 7 pm
- Choir Practice (Choir Room) - 7 pm

Thursday 1/18/18:

- Care Team Meeting (Celebration Center) - 9 am
- Coffee w/Conversation (Dinette) - 10 am
- Women's CoDA (South Campus) - 5:30 pm
- Worship Meeting (Celebration Center) - 6:30 pm
- It's a Good Thing NA (South Campus) - 8 pm

Friday 1/19/18:

- Retired Pastor's Meeting (Celebration Center)- 2pm
- Al Anon Meeting (Celebration Center) - 6:30 pm
- Adult Children of Alcoholics (South Campus)-7 pm
- Recovery Anonymous (South Campus) - 7 pm

Saturday 1/20/18:

- AA Open Meeting (South Campus) - 10 am
- Worship (South Campus) - 5:30pm
- Sat. Night Worship Mtg. (South Campus) - 6:20pm