



# First United Methodist Church

Fargo, North Dakota

## 10:00 am Sunday (Downtown Campus)

**Greeters:** Wayne & Lila Anderson, Lavonne Horton

**Ushers:** \*Gary Brooks, Richard Roberts, Jason Krueger, Geoffrey Meabara

**Hospitality:** Eileen Dustin, Signe Meier

**Organist/Music:** Nancy Lilleberg

**A/V:** Chris Williams

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### **Fall Program Schedule:**

#### **Sundays Starting Sept. 9th:**

9:30 am - Contemporary Service (Chapel) & Sunday School (2nd & 3rd Floors)

11 am - Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

#### **Wednesdays:**

##### **Sept. 5th:**

Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 5 pm

Youth Family Fun, Forms & Pizza (Chapel) 6:30 pm

Choir Practice (Choir Room) 7 pm

##### **Starting Sept. 12th:**

Café First Meal (Fellowship Hall) 5pm

Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 5 pm

Prayer Shawl Group (1st Flr Lobby) 6 pm

Writing Your God Story (Fellowship Hall) 6pm

Youth Group (2nd & 3rd Floors) 6:30 pm

Choir Practice (Choir Room) 7 pm

### **Community Garden Sale**

Tuesday afternoons, 4pm-7pm, the community garden sells produce at the South Campus, 3910 25th Street S.

### **Are You Interested in Hosting a Small Group**

We're looking for a few folks who would like to get together with 8-10 people on a regular basis to study the bible, have fellowship, pray and/or serve together in our community. If you're interested in this kind of group, please speak with Pastor Ryan to get started.

### **Kick-Off Karnival - Sunday, Sept. 9th**

Games, prizes, food, and fun for everyone! Volunteers and donations needed. Please check out the table outside the Sanctuary in the lobby for more information.

### **Sign Up Today!**

Check out our large bulletin board to sign up for greeters, ushers, and hospitality positions on Sunday mornings for the program year! Handouts are available for each position summarizing duties involved. Notify the office if you have any questions.

### **Seekers Adult Bible Study**

The Seekers class will start up again on Sunday September 16th at 8:30 am in the Volunteer Center. Class study will include a focus on heaven and hell, a Bible study (yet to be determined) and possibly guest lecturers on major world religions. Everyone is welcome so stop by and check us out!

### **Emergency Pastoral Contact**

If you experience an emergency during non-office hours or on the weekend, please contact the church office @ 232-4416 and you will be directed to an emergency contact number.

### **Men's Grill Out @ the Parsonage**

Inviting all men of the church for a Grill Out at the Parsonage on Sunday, Aug. 26th @ 6pm. Bring a dish to share, ideas for men's ministries and Pastor Ryan will grill burgers and provide beverages. See you there!

### **A/V Volunteers for Funerals Only**

We are looking for a few people who are willing and able to help out weekdays during normal business hours to run (basic) sound and/or slides for funerals only. If you are interested, please contact the office.

### **New Small Group: "Writing Your God Story"**

Beginning Sept. 12th a small group will be forming a supportive environment to

encourage us to write our own “God Story.” The group will meet for 6 weeks on Wednesday evenings, following the community meal in the Fellowship Hall. The meetings will be modeled on a Writer’s Critique Group. Participants will bring drafts of a story they would like to share with others. Members read other’s work and offer feedback. Topics are open and can include your relationship with God, how God works in people’s lives, reflections on loving your neighbor, etc. Bring to the first meeting 10 copies of original writing between 500 and 1000 words. For more information contact Dianna Hatfield Clemenson (701)238.7443 or [Dianna@HatfieldBooks.com](mailto:Dianna@HatfieldBooks.com)

### **REACH! New Passion. New People. New Places.**

You’re invited to attend this teaching conference sponsored by the Dakotas Conference in Sioux Falls, SD on October 5-6. Speakers from across the country and the Dakotas will teach and train you to REACH the next person for Jesus! Learn from Bishop Bruce Ough, Rev. Adam Weber, Rev. Jacob Armstrong and more! Cost is \$45 plus lodging. Pastors Ryan & Kris will be attending. Learn more and register at [www.reachumc.org](http://www.reachumc.org)

### **Church Forum Ad Sponsorship**

We are looking for sponsors to help cover the church’s weekly ad in the Forum. November \$120. Please contact the office if you are interested.

### **Calling All Parents & Grandparents!**

We are in need of volunteers in the nursery. Time needed: 9:45am-11:15am. Contact the office 232-4416 or [jbingham@firstumcfargo.org](mailto:jbingham@firstumcfargo.org)

### **UMCOR Kit Info**

Check the Missions Team Board at the main floor Welcome center. The supply lists for the Hygiene (formally health) and School kits are available for taking. A supply of gently used 1 gallon sealable bags are available in a tote next to the drop off box to use for Hygiene. Monetary donations for items or shipping costs are also welcome. The Conference kit pick-up collection will be here at FUMC Sept. 17th—Sept. 21st.

### **Dorothy Day House Assistance**

Café First provides an entrée and so we are needing donations to help purchase salad or fruit, bread and butter plus dessert for the monthly meal FUMC provides. Contact Char Koll for more Info.

### **Church Staffing Update**

Jennifer Bingham, our Office Manager, has submitted her resignation effective August 30th. Thank you Jennifer for all you have done in your 2 years with us to organize the office and care for so many in our church! We will miss you in the office! The Staff Parish Relations Committee is updating the job description and will advertise for this full-time position. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Franzen (franzens3@cableone.net 799-2565) or Pastor Ryan.

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## Weekly Calendar for 8/26 - 9/1

Have a blessed week!

### Sunday 8/26/18:

- Children's Reno Team (2nd Floor Conf.) - 8:30 am
  - Recovery Worship (South Campus) - 10 am
  - Worship Service (Sanctuary) - 10:00 am
  - Men's Grill Out Event (Parsonage) - 6 pm
- NA Clean & Free Meeting (Fellowship Hall) - 8 pm

### Monday 8/27/18:

- Caring Closet Sorting (Fellowship Hall)- 9 am

### Tuesday 8/28/18:

- Staff Meeting (Conference Room) - 9 am
- Caring Closet Distribution (Fellowship Hall) - 11 am
  - Quilters (Quilters Rooms) - 1 pm
  - SPRC Meeting - 7pm
- Community Garden Sale - 4pm-7pm

### Wednesday 8/29/18:

- Gambler's Anonymous (South Campus) - 5:30 pm
- Women's Open AA Mtg. (South Campus) - 6 pm
  - Choir Practice (Choir Room) - 7 pm

### Thursday 8/30/18:

- Coffee w/Conversation (Dinette) - 10 am
- It's a Good Thing NA (South Campus) - 8 pm

### Friday 8/31/18:

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

### Saturday 9/1/18:

- Fall Youth Retreat (Offsite) - 10 am
  - AA Open Meeting (South Campus) - 10 am
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## Reminder:

The Church will be closed on Monday,  
September 3 in observance of Labor Day.

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## Helpful Links

[Church Use Form \(Printable\)](#)

[Room Cleanup Checklist](#)

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