



# The Window

*Spiritual home. Inclusive community. Unconditional love. Welcome!*

First United Methodist Church, Loveland, Colorado

May 2, 2021

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## “VACCINATED” INDOOR WORSHIP BEGINS SUNDAY

The live streamed indoor 8:30 worship service will now open up for vaccinated worshippers this Sunday. An [online registration](#) can be found here. The sanctuary will be well-ventilated and disinfected. Participants should be vaccinated, wear masks and social distance (following CDC, MS Conference and Larimer Co. guidelines). Of course, if a congregant is uncomfortable worshipping indoors, please do not feel that you need to participate just yet. The service will continue to be live streamed and available on YouTube at 8:30 or later at your convenience. The COVID infection rate is decreasing again in Larimer County and the church will open up (we assume) to the general public before too long.



*Child care is available at the 10:45 outdoor service each Sunday.* No registration is required for outdoor worship. Please bring a chair, wear your mask and enjoy.

The church's main interest is still to 'Do No Harm.' It is believed that by using common sense protocols suggested by such groups as the CDC, safe indoor gatherings for vaccinated groups can now be held.

It has been over a year since the building has been open. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding during this past difficult time. And we thank God for the privilege of being together once again.

### HELLO FUMC MEMBERS!



Do you have eyes and ears? Well then, good news! You officially qualify to assist in the Audio/Visual booth. Since the shutdown last year, you may have noticed that our services have been entirely virtual. While we will be filling the pews very soon again, there is still a great need for trained individuals behind the scenes making sure our services continue to stream each week. **No prior experience in sound design or video production is required**, just a willingness to learn and serve from 8:00 - 9:30 am on

Sundays. Mikeal, the A/V Coordinator will be starting training sessions for new volunteers very soon, so [please fill out this form to get started](#). We look forward to serving the church with you!

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Join us for Sunday school at 9:45 am on Zoom. If you need the zoom link, please contact Ann Kessler at [akesler@fumcloveland.com](mailto:akesler@fumcloveland.com) or (970) 290-2796.

### THANK YOU TO MEMORIAL SERVICE COORDINATORS

Lee Green and Susan Kuhling have offered to serve as memorial service and funeral coordinators for FUMC. We appreciate their stepping up to this important task. Though no services will be held at present in the building, we expect to be offering services fairly soon. One more person to work with Lee and Susan would still be welcome. If God is nudging you in this direction, please contact Rev. Steve.



### DINNER GROUPS

Would you like to meet with 4-8 people to have dinner? The meals can be a potluck or you can bring your own food, drink and chairs or a host will provide the main dish only. Please call Shirley Reed at 308-665-5934 or email her at [sreed@fumcloveland.com](mailto:sreed@fumcloveland.com). GO TO: [DINNER GROUP FORM](#), and click on every tab to see what this group is about!



**FUMC DINNER GROUPS**  
Couples and singles can include children, or not, you decide  
Meals: potluck, bring your own food, drink, and chairs, or host provides main dish only  
SIGN UP: [www.fumcloveland.com](http://www.fumcloveland.com)  
CLICK ON GROUPS/EVENTS

### HALF DAY FIELD TRIP TO ESTES PARK FOR SENIORS



**Seniors, Half Day Field Trip to Estes Park, CO**  
**July 21, 2021**  
Shirley Reed,  
Director of Senior Ministries  
Inviting FUMC Seniors to sign up  
[sreed@fumcloveland.com](mailto:sreed@fumcloveland.com)

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**Contact:** Shirley Reed at [sreed@fumcloveland.com](mailto:sreed@fumcloveland.com) for more information, bus reservations and/or van reservations. Also invited are those who want to drive your own car and/or share the drive with another passenger. We all will be participating in lunch and activities

at Estes Park with FUMC friends. Everyone is welcome to join!

## **PERSONALS**



### **BIRTHDAYS MAY 1-7**

John DeMallie  
Debbie Doyel  
Stephanie Dye  
Bill Eads

Diana Fearn  
Ed Frey  
Jim Hirning  
Guy Keith

Kurt Nordlander  
Harriett Piersel  
Virginia Senter

## **ON-GOING CLASSES AND GROUPS**

### **NEW GROUP AT FUMC: ANTI-RACISM ALLYSHIP**

The Anti-Racism Allyship Group is open to anyone who wants to engage in personal growth and advocacy in order to work for change in ourselves and the community. Weekly meetings provide opportunities to learn and grow with others. Advocacy work includes support for community organizations, sponsoring educational events at FUMC and more. All are welcome. To join or learn more about this group, contact Pastor Lee at [lee@fumcleveland.com](mailto:lee@fumcleveland.com) or (970) 667-0876.

### **OLDER, WISER, HAPPIER GROUP**

Older, Wiser, Happier meetings feature checking in with each other, a relaxation exercise, remembering positive decisions, and a topic that addresses something that affects most senior adults. The meetings occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. Thought-starters on the next topic can be found a week prior to the meeting on Clay Carter's blog at <https://happyagings.org/>. The material can be printed. The link to the Zoom meeting is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85276080442>. As soon as weather permits, the group will meet outdoors. Outdoor meeting times and places will be posted on Clay's blog <https://happyagings.org/>. Call or text Clay for further information: (970) 616-9686. Clay's email is [pclaycarter@gmail.com](mailto:pclaycarter@gmail.com).

### **COFFEE TIME**

You can laugh and talk, share stories, discuss the most recent sermon or just listen - every Sunday from 9:15 - 9:45 am. [Zoom link](#).

## SEARCHERS CLASS

We have two very interesting and informative class sessions coming our way. Last Sunday we had an excellent presentation from Rev. Bob Kaylor as he spoke of the Wesley Covenant Association's plans for the future for the Methodist Church. On May 2 Rev. Steve Goodier will be with us to continue our look at the future of the United Methodist Church and our own First UMC here in Loveland. On May 9, Representatives of Pulse, Loveland's own fiber-optic internet company, will speak to us of this new addition to community services being offered for the residents of our city. We will find out many of the details of this internet service and what it means for homes and businesses in our community. Please join in these interesting sessions as we continue to learn more about our church and the world around us. **Class now begins at 9:30 am each Sunday morning.**

Zoom link -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87120421569?pwd=MENQVE84SGQ1aIZyNk5OSHZjMEIQUT09>

## HOLY HAPPY HOUR MEETS MONDAYS

HHH meets Mondays at 5:30 pm. Contact Tom Thompson for more information at (801) 518-5392 or [revtgt@hotmail.com](mailto:revtgt@hotmail.com). [Details and Zoom link](#)

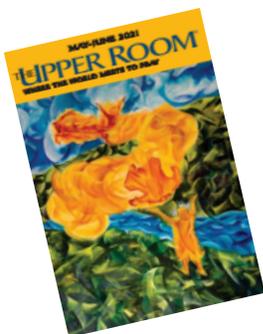
## OASIS STUDY

On Sunday's from 4:30-5:30 pm, we will continue our discussion of the book, *Sissy: A Coming of Gender Story* by Jacob Tobia. All who seek to learn about and support the LGBTQ+ community are welcome!

## EXERCISE CLASS WITH ANITA WILLIAMS

Join us Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:30 am each week on Zoom. Contact Ann Kessler at (970) 290-2796 or [akessler@fumcloveland.com](mailto:akessler@fumcloveland.com) with questions. [Details](#)

## OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS



### THE UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL GUIDE IS HERE

The May-June Upper Room Devotional Guides have arrived at church. Large print versions will be delivered to those who have requested them. Small print versions are outside the East Office door in a box attached to the chain link fence.

In addition, you may download a free copy of the [May-June devotional guide](#) here. Many thanks to the Upper Room for

making this product available to all church members free of charge during COVID times.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to provide flowers for the altar on Sunday mornings, you may sign up on the Flower Calendar located in Coy Hall on the bulletin board just to the east of the restrooms. Lee Green will contact you to find out how you would like your dedication to read in the Window. You can reach Lee at (970) 768-2374 with questions or to request a date to provide flowers.

### **NEED A MASK?**

Masks with the church logo are now available and donations are appreciated. If you are interested in a mask, please contact Andrea Ortega [by email](#).

### **ONLINE GIVING IS HERE**

Our Church has online payment capability. Go to our website, [www.funclleveland.com](http://www.funclleveland.com) and click on the menu tab labeled "Donate." You will be able to donate using either your debit or credit card or through PayPal. We thank you in advance for trying out this new way of giving. Nice way to watch those airline miles grow.

### **CAN WE HELP YOU?**

As we are growing forward and staying safe at home, you may still have needs at your house. If you would like a helping hand with groceries, prescriptions, or other errands, please remember there is a group of church volunteers who would love to help you. Call Julie Monroe at 662-321-3003.