

Prelude

Allegro (from Concerto No. 4 in F-Major)
George Frideric Handel
Joe Galema, Organist

***Hymns**

Standing on the Promises
Hymnal, Page 374(verses 1&2)
Stand By Me
Hymnal, Page 512(verses 1&3)

** Please rise as you are able or sit in spirit.*

Blessing of New Clergy

Leader: Sisters and Brothers, as a people committed to participating in the ministries of FUMC, will you celebrate this new beginning by supporting Rev. Amy and Rev. Eric in the ministries of this church?

All: We rejoice that you have come into our midst. We welcome you and your family to our congregation and our community. We pledge our love, our support, our prayers, and our service to that together; we may carry out the ministries that are the mission of this church.

Leader: Gracious God, we give thanks for being gathered together in this sacred place.

All: Bless this new beginning for our pastors.

Leader: We rejoice in the giftedness of each person here, for we are the wide body of Christ.

All: Bless this new beginning for our church community.

Leader: May we go forth into the world woven together as the people of God.

Words of Welcome***Affirmation of Faith**

Ann McClellan

I believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative, that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the Living God. I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship. I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future. Because Christ has called me in this I truly believe. Amen.

Offering Introduction***Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Hymnal, Page 94

Prayer of Confession

God of love and power, we listen to the stories of miracles and doubt that these things can happen today. We look at the waves of misfortune, distress, misery, distrust, and anger and wonder how we can still those waves. We feel the pressures of power and fear flooding into our lives, threatening to drown us and wonder where you are. Forgive us for the littleness of our faith. Forgive us for our doubts. Help us to place out trust in you, Lord Jesus. Help us to fix our eyes on you and on the ministries to which you have called us. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Please pray in silence.

Pastoral Prayer**Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
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.**

Special Music

How Can I Keep From Singing?
arr. Richard Walters
Kaitlin Henry and Lee Henry, Soloists
Joe Galema, Pianist

Scripture Reading

Mark 4: 35-41

Todd Spencer

Sermon

Risk in the Storm
(Should We Be Doing This?)

**Rev. Amy &
Rev. Eric Strader**

Communion**Communion Hymn**

One Bread, One Body
Hymnal, Page 620

***Hymn**

Lead n, O King Eternal
Hymnal, Page 172

Benediction**Sending Forth**

Lead Me, Lord
Wayne Goodine & Elizabeth Goodine

WELCOME TO REV. AMY AND REV. ERIC STRADER!

The people of First United Methodist Church feel blessed to have you as our co-lead pastoral team. We are delighted to embrace you and your children, Nora and Finn, as you settle into life at FUMC and in Colorado Springs. We are praying for you and offer God's gracious hospitality to you! Thank you for your spiritual leadership as we look to the future together.

LAST CHANCE! SIGN UP FOR FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

8/12 & 8/13 | give.fmcs.org/cosprings | barbdonnegan@icloud.com
The Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) 2022 MobilePack will be on August 12 and 13 at Bethel Lutheran Church. Sign-up is open to the general public online at the website above. This is a great opportunity to serve alongside members of the Colorado Springs community. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Donnegan.

AUDITIONS FOR WAIT UNTIL DARK

8/23, 8/24, 8/25 | 6:00-9:00pm | 420 N Nevada Ave | firstcompany@fumc-cs.org
Auditions for First Company's fall production of Wait Until Dark, a play by Frederick Knott, will be held on Tuesday, August 23 and Wednesday, August 24 from 6:00 to 9:00pm at First United Methodist Church inside the Theatre. Actors should prepare a memorized one to two-minute monologue, and be ready for cold readings from the play. Please be ready to stay for the duration of the auditions but also note that actors will be released as needed and contacted at a later time. Callbacks will be held on Thursday, August 25 from 6:00 to 9:00pm in the same location. Sign-up is available by visiting go.fumc-cs.org/waituntildark. If you have any questions, please contact Marty. For further details about auditions, please visit fumc-cs.org/fc.

BLOCK PARTY: A SPECIAL DAY TOGETHER

Sunday, 8/28 | 12:00-2:00pm | 420 N Nevada Ave | cieraw@fumc-cs.org
Come one, come all! On Sunday August 28, there will be only one worship service at 11:00am in the Sanctuary. We invite all students to bring their backpacks to this service for a special backpack blessing to start off the upcoming school year. Afterward, all are invited to eat and have fellowship time together from 12:00 to 2:00pm. Lunch will be provided. It will be delightful to catch up with one another as we get to know our new co-lead pastors and their family. There will be games for all ages, music, a petting zoo, and several missions agencies will be present. Ministry areas of the church will offer at least one activity for you to experience, and you will have the opportunity to find out what is going on in each ministry area! All are encouraged to bring family, neighbors, and friends to this fun block party! If you have any questions, please contact Ciera.

NEW PRAYER GROUP

Wednesdays through 9/28 | 12:00pm | Prayer Room | (719)930-9747
Our world, our nation, our community, our church and our families need prayer! Come join us on Wednesdays for fellowship and prayer time together. Our prayers will remain confidential as we offer our hearts and our deepest thoughts and concerns to God. Come be a part of praying for our future! For more information, please contact Marcella at the phone number listed above.

VOLUNTEER USHERS NEEDED!

Sign-up sheets are located on the clipboard in the Narthex. Please choose four or more Sundays, between now and Christmas, for the service you wish to volunteer. Volunteers are asked to arrive 30 minutes before the start of service to meet your team and discuss duties. If you have any questions, please contact Marcella at (719)930-9747

NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE

Nursery Care is available Sunday mornings for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years old. Please see an usher or someone at the reception desk, and they can assist you further.

MESSAGE FROM KENT

Greetings from Door County! Kris and I are getting settled in our new home and exploring the beautiful setting that surrounds us. It has been good to be near family and have enjoyed the first few weeks of retirement.

I want to thank you for your kindness and generosity as we left Colorado Springs. The Wednesday night event celebrating my 16 years at First Church, and 41 years of ministry, was spectacular. The music, as always, was amazing! The kind words were humbling and affirming. Your presence meant so much to Kris and me! As I said, in my ministry there has been no higher honor than being the Senior Minister at First United Methodist Church of Colorado Springs. To be, I believe, the second longest serving pastors in that great congregation, is something I am so proud of. My last Sunday in that pulpit was a rich and rewarding time of worship and a deeply affirming time of my ministry. Thank you so much, also, for the generous gift you have given to me. We are grateful to this church for the love and support we have felt for all of these years together.

I ask for your prayers for me and for Kris as we discern what God has for us to do in the next season of our lives. I will, of course, hold you close in my prayers as you move into God's future for you! God be with, til we meet again!

Prayers for the Week

Illness: Paul Richardson

Altar Flowers: In Memory of Don Singmaster
-Barabara
and Family

Welcome!

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! We are thankful that you have chosen to spend time worshipping God with us. We hope that you experience an encounter with the sacred, In this faith community, all are called the beloved children of God and welcomed into all aspects of worship. You have a home here! And we hope you find a loving, compassionate community here for your journey through life.

First United Methodist has a rich history of serving God's people in downtown Colorado Springs and beyond for the past 151 years! We hope you will choose to be part of our ministry of service and community. In the pews, you will find a visitor card, please fill this out and return to the offering plates or find our pastors and staff emails below. We would love to help you discover your place at First

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Our eternal journey is to create a community of people living into whole, healthy relationships with God, one another, and the world.



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on the water
with Jesus



August 7, 2022
8:00

Risk in the Storm
(Should We Be Doing This?)