



CROSSWINDS

First United Methodist Church
Salt Lake City, Utah

Turning Closed Doors into Open Tables
Where Everyone Belongs

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2026



A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KELSIE

"Fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear fruit, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing." Ezekiel 47:12

Hello First UMC Community,

In a season when his people had seen the destruction of their home and lived in uncertainty about their national identity, the prophet Ezekiel shared with them a vision. He painted a picture of a restored temple, a restored people, AND a restored creation. He describes a beautiful river teeming with life as part of God's vision for their salvation and rescue which shows us that creation is part of the Good News too. This September we will recognize the Season of Creation as we take time to consider this life-giving river depicted in Ezekiel and the ways that Christ offers us living water. We will pray for the created world around us and seek to be better stewards of the precious resources it offers.

I hope you will join us this fall as we gather together in worship in partnership with our friends at Centenary UMC, in partnership with creation, and in partnership with God.

Peace to you all,
Pastor Kelsie

THIS FALL

WORSHIP & STUDIES

MUSIC & CONCERTS

COMMUNITY EVENTS

WORLD COMMUNION

AVES ST FAIR

FAMILY PROMISE



**SUNDAY
WORSHIP**
11:15 AM



FALL AT FIRST UMC

As summer comes to an end, fall brings new opportunities to worship, learn, connect, and grow together at First UMC.

SEASON OF CREATION

Throughout September, we'll celebrate the Season of Creation with this year's theme, "Living Water," reflecting on God's healing and renewing presence in all creation.

September 6 • 10:00 AM

Combined outdoor worship at Centenary UMC



September 27 • 11:15 AM

Worship at First UMC followed by a sacred watering of our community garden.



RALLY SUNDAY

Sunday, September 13

Fall ministries are back! Celebrate the **return of choir and Children's Sunday School** as we begin a new season of worship, learning, and fellowship.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

September 13, 20 & 27 • After Worship

Want to learn more about First UMC? Explore United Methodist beliefs and discover ways to get more connected with our church community.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Begins September 13 • 9:30 AM

This fall, join *Read a Chapter a Day*, a six-week study of Paul's letters. Gather Sundays for reflection and discussion.

WORLD COMMUNION

October 4 • 11:15 AM

Celebrate our connection with Christians around the world as we gather together at Christ's table.

COMING IN OCTOBER

Pastor Kelsie's Evening Bible Study returns!
Stay tuned for details.



A SEASON OF *Music* at First UMC

CHOIR RETURNS

SEPTEMBER 13 • RALLY SUNDAY

Our Chancel Choir returns to worship as we begin another season of music together.

Rehearsals every Sunday at 10:30 AM.

UPCOMING CONCERTS

SEPT
11

JOHN DIXON, ORGAN RECITAL

7:30 - SANCTUARY

Special 25th anniversary of 9/11 program. Free.

SEPT
14

SINFONIA SALT LAKE CONCERT

7:30 - SANCTUARY

Eclectic music from Baroque to today.

SEPT
28

MUSIC FOR FOOD CONCERT

7:30 - SANCTUARY

Support Crossroads with a food drive donation!

OCT
10

LUX CHORAL SINGERS

7:30 - SANCTUARY

AVENUES ST FAIR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

10:00 - 3:00 PM

1ST AVENUE BETWEEN I AND O STREET

Stop by our booth, say hello, and enjoy a great day celebrating our community.

Volunteers Needed

Let the office know if you would like to sign up to help at our booth!

HUMANITARIAN MINISTRIES

First UMC serves locally and globally through six humanitarian ministries:
Family Promise · Salud y Paz · Clara Foundation · Good Samaritan Fund · Crossroads Urban Center
Unsheltered Utah

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Unsheltered Utah Fundraising Dinner

Sept. 18 · 7 PM · St. Mark's

Family Promise Meal Week

Sept. 27 – Oct. 4

Family Promise Fundraising Evening

Oct. 9 · 5:30–9 PM · St. Mark's

LEARN MORE →

Scan to explore our ministries & get involved.

www.fumcslc.org/mission-ministry



MUSIC MINISTRY

Teresa H. Clawson · Organist

Ronnie Bishop · Organist

Jackson Fowers · Choir Conductor

EVENTS COORDINATOR

Mike Green

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Sean Whaley

FAMILY PROMISE

Levy Woodruff

MOVIE NIGHT

Barry Buckendorf



GET CONNECTED AT FIRST UMC

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER AT A GLANCE

SEPT 6 • Combined Outdoor Worship

SEPT 11 • John Dixon, Organ Recital

SEPT 13 • Rally Sunday

SEPT 14 • Sinfonia Salt Lake Concert

SEPT 18 • Unsheltered Utah Dinner

SEPT 27 • Sacred Watering

SEPT 28 • Music for Food Concert

OCT 4 • World Communion Sunday

OCT 10 • Avenues St Fair

**OCT
9 & 10** • Lux Choral Singers

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

SUNDAY



Adult Sunday School - 9:30 AM

Choir Rehearsal - 10:30 AM

Worship - 11:15 AM



TUESDAY

Bible Study - 11:00 AM



FRIDAY

Women's Fellowship Lunch

Noon

September 25 & October 30

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