

White Bear Lake
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
NOURISHING THE HUNGERS OF LIFE

We are a community of faith seeking to provide nourishment for the hungers of life. We welcome all persons, inclusive of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability and circumstances of life.

Welcome to White Bear Lake United Methodist Church!

April 17, 2022 – Easter Sunday

PRELUDE *Now the Green Blade Riseth*; arr. McChesney
Alleluia Ringers

WELCOME

OPENING WORDS

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Grace to you and peace from God our Creator,
Source of everlasting love, in our midst and within each of us.

God is with us; here we find new life.

On this Easter Day, we celebrate that the powers of despair and destruction do not have the final word;
that new life can still break out; that love is stronger than death;
and that nothing can stop the life, hope, and determination of Easter people.

God of grace, we come today with Easter joy, seeking to be a people of resurrection.

OPENING HYMN *Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise*, No. 312 (v. 1, 2, 4)

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE John 20: 1-18 Reader: Amy McNabb

ANTHEM *Rejoice, the Lord is King*, John Darwall, arr. Dan Forrest
Chancel Choir, Lux String Quartet

MESSAGE: The Basis for Hope | Pastor Bill Eaves

HYMN *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*, No. 302 (v. 1, 2, 3, 6)

CONNECTION CARD MOMENT

OFFERING *I know that my redeemer liveth*, from *Messiah*, Handel
Megan Seubert, soprano
Text to Give: WBLUMC to 73256

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM *Light Beyond Shadow*, Dan Forrest
Chancel Choir, Lux String Quartet

CLOSING HYMN *Up From the Grave He Arose*, No. 322 (all verses)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*, J.S. Bach
Lux String Quartet



He is Risen!

HAPPY EASTER

April 17, 2022

**April 17, 2022 | Easter Sunday
8:30 and 9:45 am worship services**

Masks are optional for those who are vaccinated. *10am online worship will continue.*

HAPPENING AT WBLUMC

Our Easter Offering will support the Franklin Middle School book project and other needs for the success of students in that school. WBLUMC is exploring a long-term partnership at Franklin Middle School in Minneapolis to help develop reading proficiency. One of our first projects will be to support a book drive -- with a goal of 1000 books -- to provide diverse and culturally representative books for students there. For more information, email lori.mcbride@wblumc.org, Compassion and Justice Ministries.

Earth Day worship celebration: Saturday, April 23, 4pm, WBLUMC sanctuary. This service, sponsored by Yogadevotion, will include sacred movement, reflection, and music by John Koziol.

Knitters and Crocheters! Hearts and Hands will meet on **Monday, April 18 at 7:00 until 8:30** in the **church library**. We will be discussing the Blue Hat project, an anti-bullying campaign involving distributing blue hats to schools for students to wear, empowering them to stand up to bullying. For more information contact Barb Hinz at 651-777-0465.

Need someone to listen? We are all navigating through stressful times. If you think it would be helpful to have a trained listener available by phone or in person to meet with you or someone you know, please contact Barb Hinz (651-777-0465) to learn more about BeFriender Ministry, a confidential church ministry.

Racial Justice Initiative at WBLUMC: A small team of WBLUMC staff and laity are interviewing consultants who might be able to help guide us through the process: Board Chair Margie Grilley, board member Jan Peterson, Pastors Bill Eaves and Christine Ford, and Lori McBride, Director of Compassion & Justice Ministries. Soon we'll seek additional stakeholders from the congregation to participate in this process. **If you're interested, please email Margie Grilley at mgrilley@q.com or Lori McBride at lori.mcbride@wblumc.org.**

Humanitarian response in Ukraine. All donations will be forwarded to UMCOR. Please make checks out to WBLUMC with UMCOR/Ukraine in the memo line. You may also donate online via Realm, by selecting Ukraine as the fund. Check the eblast for a direct link. Thank you.

Sunflowers for Ukraine: Original artwork that features sunflowers, the national flower of Ukraine, is displayed as a gallery for you to view at WBLUMC **April 10-24.**

Adopt a church garden. It's that time of year again! We need gardeners to join our crew to help tend the flower garden plots that surround our church. More hands make lighter work! For more information, email Linda Anderson at lranderson@comcast.net or call her at 651-777-3435.

Community garden plots: Larry and Denise Kerr will continue with the organization and operation of the garden for 2022 and are hoping to get a few more people to help with this committee. If interested, or if you have any questions, contact them at 651-484-6092 or email to denisekerr19@gmail.com. Garden agreements and applications are available online under Ministries, Community Gardens, or from the church office. You may request up to two plots by May 15.

Thank you Jared Burseth, interim accompanist, for sharing your musical talents with WBLUMC the last several months!

Welcome to Doug Nelson, new WBLUMC organist/accompanist, whose first service will be next Sunday. He'll play at the 9am service most Sundays and for special services. Doug has been a liturgical organist for more than 25 years, with a degree from the University of Minnesota. He enjoys how the organ can encourage the whole congregation to sing. Doug also plays string bass, fixes random things like lawnmowers, vacuum cleaners, and treadmills, and works in the Meals on Wheels program.

Church Library Is Back! We are glad to share that the church library is returning to its pre-pandemic level of availability and service. The library is now available on its previous schedule. New materials will once again be offered regularly. Please stop in and browse! If you have library materials at home, please drop them by the library the next time you are in the church building.

Church Conference May 22, 10am in Room 200, to vote for **Board of Directors openings.**

TODAY'S MUSICIANS & PRODUCTION TEAM

Lux String Quartet; Jared Burseth; Alleluia Ringers; Chancel Choir; Megan Seubert; Kirk Holstin, sound technician;
Gerry Keith, PowerPoint