

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!

9 am Traditions | May 8, 2022 – Mother's Day

PRELUDE *Ein Feste Burg*, arr. Helmut Walcha

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *Wanting Memories*, Bernice Reagon Johnson

OPENING WORDS

God of empty tombs and hungering people:

when we hesitate to speak of your hope,

give us a voice.

When we find it difficult to love one another,

give us fresh compassion.

When we want to stand with the high and mighty,

give a place to serve, among the needy and hurting.

When we stay locked behind our fears and doubts,

send us out with courage to share your grace.

When we cannot believe your Word of new life,

fill us with trust in your goodness and love.

OPENING HYMN *God of Grace and God of Glory*, No. 577 (v. 1, 2, & 4)

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children pre-K through 5th grade may now leave for Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE John 20: 24-29 | Reader: Donna Buell

ANTHEM "When You Believe," from *Prince of Egypt*, Stephen Schwartz
Megan Seubert, Annie Lynch; vocal soloists

MESSAGE What If Doubt is Good for Your Faith? | Pastor Bill Eaves

HYMN *You Are My Hiding Place*, TFWS No. 2055

OFFERING *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*, Ray Palmer
Text to Give: WBLUMC to 73256

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, No. 110 (v. 1, 2, & 4)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *God of Grace and God of Glory*, Paul Man

Mother's Day

SUNDAY, MAY 8

Celebrate the women in our lives
who provide us with support, love and kindness.

9am Traditions | 10:45am New Crossings

10am online | wblumc.org/links/livestream



**May 8, 2022 – Mother's Day
9am Traditions Worship**

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

HAPPENING AT WBLUMC

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

Coffee Fellowship today between services.

Dorcas Circle meets **Wednesday, May 11, 10am in Room 200**, and is excited to have Jill Anderson's sister, Sharry Swann, visit us with a program of dulcimer music and information. All are invited. Refreshments will follow the presentation. For more information, contact Barb Hinz at 651-777-0465 or barbhinz@juno.com.

Confirmation will be next Sunday, **May 15, at 9am** service. Please congratulate our 2022 Confirmands, Ihe Oji and Lillian (Lily) Jenkins.

New Member Class, Sunday, May 15 at 11:45 in Room 200. Interested in joining White Bear Lake United Methodist Church? Join Pastors Bill Eaves and Christine Ford in Room 200 next Sunday noon to learn more about this congregation, its mission, vision, and beliefs as well as opportunities.

Ring in Spring at a special handbells concert, Sunday, May 15 at 4pm. Bells of the Lakes from Hennepin UMC joins our Alleluia Ringers for a joint spring concert at WBLUMC! All are welcome to join us at this free community concert in the sanctuary. Spread the word, and bring a friend, neighbor, or family member! The program will include a freewill offering.

Our summer schedule starts soon! We'll move to one blended in-person service at **10am, starting Sunday, May 29**. Online worship will also continue at 10am.

Plan to buy some bread at the **Baking With A Purpose (BWAP)** event on **Sunday, June 5th**. Baking will be done on Saturday and volunteer bakers are already in place. The charity for this event is the White Bear Area Food Shelf.

Adopt a church garden. It's that time of year again! We need gardeners to join our crew to help tend the flower gardens that surround our church. More hands make lighter work! For more information, email Linda Anderson at ljranderson@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 more people to help with this committee. If interested, or if you have any questions, call them at 651-484-6092 or email 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.

Hearts and Hands group will be knitting or crocheting child-sized blue hats for the #HATNOTHATE anti-bullying campaign. Hats need to be completed by the middle of July. We are also continuing to knit mittens for two White Bear Lake area elementary schools. Anyone is welcome to assist with these projects! For more information contact Barb Hinz at 777-0465 or barbhinzwbl@yahoo.com.

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. We are seeking 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-June 1**.

Women's Golf Group: Open to women of all ages, we play 9 holes of golf on Wednesdays either late morning or early afternoon at a different course each week. Play as your schedule permits. First golf outing is tentatively May 18th at Gem Lake golf course. If you are interested in playing or would like more information, please contact Mary Cripe at suzary006@comcast.net; alternate contact is Carol Effertz 651-429-6023. We hope to see you soon.

Men's Golf Group at WBLUMC is starting again in May. If you are interested in joining, call or e-mail Paul Steffek at 920-493-2657 or pncsteff@aol.com.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS & PRODUCTION TEAM

Chancel Choir; Doug Nelson, organist; Megan Seubert, Annie Lynch, vocal soloists; Bernie Kaferlein/Concierge Sound

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's arrangement is provided by David and Dawn Kittleson, in honor of Marilyn Kittleson.