

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 22, 2022

PRELUDE *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*, arr. Wayne Wold

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *The Road Home*, Stephen Paulus
Chancel Choir

OPENING WORDS

Gracious God, once again you have called us together in this place.

Here we open our hearts and our lives before you; here we seek to listen for your life-giving Word.

God, in this time of song and prayer and speech,

**open our souls to receive your new challenge, open our wills to your Spirit's guidance,
open our hearts to your limitless love.**

Turn our mourning into dancing and our confusion into clarity.

And when our time of worship is ended,

lead us back out into the world to share the Good News with the world around us.

OPENING HYMN *My Hope is Built*, No. 368 (v. 1, 3, 4)

PRAYER

BAPTISM

HYMN *I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*, TFWS No. 2051

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

SCRIPTURE 2 Samuel 7: 1-14a | Reader: Steve Peterson

ANTHEM *Omnia Sol*, Randall Stroope

Translation: *The sun warms everything, even while I am far away. Love me faithfully, and know that I am faithful.*

MESSAGE The Questions That Really Matter | Pastor Bill Eaves

OFFERING "Laudamus te," from *Gloria*, Antonio Vivaldi

Translation: *We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you.*

Meagan Seubert and Annie Lynch, soloists

Text to Give: WBLUMC to 73256

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

CLOSING HYMN *Standing on the Promises*, No. 374 (v. 1, 2, 4)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Praise to the Lord*, arr. David Cherwien



THE QUESTIONS THAT REALLY MATTER

SUNDAY, MAY 22

Online 10am | In-person 9am Traditions & 10:45am New Crossings

May 22, 2022

9am Traditions Worship

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

HAPPENING AT WBLUMC

Church Conference today May 22, 10am in Room 200, to vote for **Board of Directors openings** and approve a revised budget.

Congratulations to William Fautsch and parents David and Shaina on William's baptism today.

Please welcome new members joining White Bear Lake United Methodist Church today.

Coffee Fellowship today between services.

Our summer schedule starts soon! We'll move to one blended in-person service at **10am, starting next 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.

Rally Day Planning: Please let Pastor Christine know if you can help plan this year's Rally Day activities for Sept. 25. You can email her at christine.ford@wblumc.org

Welcome Kelby Werner: who will join us the first week in June as a summer ELI intern, exploring a call to ministry and learning about the mission of our church. Kelby grew up in Poplar, WI, and his home church is First UMC of Duluth. He is a graduate of the University of Minnesota. The Exploring Leadership Internship (ELI) Project provides hands-on learning experience for college students interested in vocational ministry. Kelby, who is now a student at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, will be participating in the ELI 2.0 internship which means he will divide his time between our church and working to gain a wider perspective of ministry in the Minnesota Conference.

Adopt A Pot Volunteer Waterers Needed: Are you interested in watering the Adopt a Pot urns, or do you know anyone who is? We need volunteers to be responsible for the pots every week from now until frost. Adults or teens and families are all welcome! Perhaps someone who has a garden plot, is at the church often or loves the pots? Someone once said, it takes a village, and this is one small task that we might all share. There are still 14 weeks open for interested volunteers to water twice a week or so, depending on the weather. Days are flexible. To sign up, go to your Realm Account, click on Community, Serving, & finally Opportunities. Then select Adopt a Pot Watering. <https://e.onrealm.org/serving/opportunities> Questions? Contact Julie Jacot at 612-730-0212, or Patricia Kytola at 715-554-1096.

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: 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 until **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. 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.

May book club: the May selection is *Facing the Mountain: A True Story of Japanese American Heroes in WWII* by Daniel James Brown (2021). Join us on Monday, May 23, to talk about the book at 7pm. Email Rick Flynn at rmflynn1@comcast.net for the Zoom link.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS & PRODUCTION TEAM

Doug Nelson, organist; Chancel Choir; Meagan Seubert and Annie Lynch, soloists; Eric Bakke; sound technician; Brian Mathewson, PowerPoint

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's arrangement is provided by Dale and Jan Johnson in celebration of their 62nd Wedding Anniversary.