

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 people, inclusive of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability, and circumstances of life.

Welcome to White Bear Lake United Methodist Church!

10 am Summer Worship | September 4, 2022 – Labor Day weekend

PRELUDE *Suite Gothique*, Leon Boellmann

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *Amazing Grace*, H. Leslie Adams

OPENING WORDS

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, darkness was over the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Centuries before Jesus walked among us, the Spirit of God was promised to him, so that he would bring justice to the nations.

Jesus sent the Spirit of truth to teach us and give us peace.

At Pentecost the Spirit came, as the rush of violent wind and tongues of fire. That same Spirit is among us now. Let us worship God!

OPENING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision*, No. 451

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, you have called us together to claim the new life you have given us in Christ, to strengthen our faith, and to equip us for service.

Come to us in your holiness, meet us in our humanity, and help us to be the people you created us to be.

This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM *Beautiful City*, from *Godspell*, Stephen Schwartz

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:41-51, Infancy Gospel of Thomas 1:2-6 | Reader: Amy McNabb

MESSAGE Banned Books of the Bible: Minority Report | Pastor Bill Eaves

HYMN *Here I Am Lord*, No. 593 (v. 1, 3)

OFFERING *Be Thou My Vision*, Hebble

Text to Give: WBLUMC to 73256

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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COMMUNION ANTHEM *Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring*, J.S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CLOSING HYMN *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*, No. 2241

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Earth and All Stars*, David Cherwien



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Masks are optional for those who are vaccinated.

10am online worship will continue.

HAPPENING AT WBLUMC

Remembrance: Please keep the family of **Marcella Strand**, who passed away on August 22, in your prayers.

Alleluia Ringers Handbell Ensemble begins 9/7 at 5:30pm.

Anyone interested in learning to play handbells, contact Peteria at peteria.cochranroutt@wblumc.org

Chancel Choir resumes Wednesday, September 7 at 7pm. Do you like making a joyful noise? Can you do it in tune? Then come join Chancel Choir on **Wednesday nights from 7-8:30pm** in the **sanctuary**. Chancel Choir sings at most 9am Sunday morning services throughout the academic year. Additionally, we engage in two special choral services each year. In November, we will present a concert based on the beatitudes and, in February, we will join Tenor Johnnie Felder to present an evening of music by black composers. Send inquires to Dr. Gerald Gurss: gerald.gurss@wblumc.org

Do you play the piano? Would you be willing to play once a month for a short service at a senior living/memory care facility for a worship service led by our pastors? The first one is **Monday, Sept. 19 at 10am**. See Pastor Bill if you could help.

Yoga Classes by Yogadevotion will be held **Tuesdays, 6-7 pm, Sept. 6 – Oct. 25** in **Fellowship Hall**. The first session is 8 weeks and costs \$72.00. It is open to all. Invite a friend to join you. Contact Carolyn Sayles if you would like to join us, need information, or have questions. Email her at tersay@msn.com or call 651-779-0311 (leave a message).

Thank you outgoing lay leaders! Thank you to outgoing Board of Directors Chair Margie Grilley, Finance Committee Chair Gerry Keith, and Staff-Parish Relations Committee Chair Jodi Mullin. We appreciate all the extra time and effort you put in to keep the church running smoothly!

Rally Day Sept. 18! Please check the easels in the narthex for **volunteer opportunities**. Sign up to bake cookies or bars, help with preparing or serving food, set up the bounce house, supervise outdoor activities, or help with clean-up. Join us at 10am with Joe Cruz and Jennifer Grimm, guest musicians.

Dorcas Circle will meet **Wednesday, September 14 at 10am** in **Room 200**. Anyone is welcome! We will be cutting, ironing, and sewing bags for Girls' Confidence Kits. Girls' Confidence Kits provide supplies so girls in other countries can attend school while having their periods.

BeFrienders training this fall: Looking for a rewarding ministry that provides support to people experiencing changes in their lives? BeFriender Ministry provides a listening presence for those going through transitional experiences in their lives. Trained BeFrienders are paired with those seeking support for regular visits. There will be **training this fall in listening skills and the foundations of BeFriender Ministry** for people interested in becoming a BeFriender. For more information contact Barb Hinz: (651-777-0465 or barbhinz@juno.com).

September book club: the September selection is *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr (2021). Join us **Monday, Sept. 26, at 7pm in-person in Room 200** or via **Zoom**. Email Rick Flynn at rmflynn1@comcast.net for Zoom link.

Save the date: First-ever sporting clays fundraiser
When: **2pm-4:30pm on Sunday, Sept. 25**
Where: **Wild Wings of Oneka Hunting Club in Hugo**
Cost: \$150 for shooters, \$75 for non-shooters

TODAY'S MUSICIANS & PRODUCTION TEAM

Doug Nelson, organist; Brian Ingalsbe, vocals; Godfrey Holzbach, sound technician; Lori McBride, PowerPoint