



We are a community of faith seeking to provide nourishment for the hungers of life, and 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.

9am Traditions | Sunday, October 31, 2021

PRELUDE *Suite Gothique. I. Introduction II. Menuet Gothique* Léon Boëllmann

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *Praise the Lord* arr. Johnson
Missionary song from Cameroon

OPENING WORDS

As the leaves fall and autumn's shadows lengthen,
May we also let the withered parts of the past drop away from us.
As we remember the past with gratitude and take with us the lessons we have learned,
May we see what God has in store for us in the present and the future.
For the loving faithfulness of God through every season,
May our lives show our thanks and praise.

OPENING HYMN *Blessed Be the Name of the Lord* (No. 63, sung twice)

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

ANTHEM *Be Still My Soul* Sibelius, arr. C. Rand Matheson
Chancel Choir | Composer C. Rand Matheson is a senior at St. Michael-Albertville High School

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:5-12 Reader: Trish Sisson

MESSAGE All Hallow's Eve Pastor Christine Ford

OFFERING *Suite Gothique. III. Prière* Léon Boëllmann
Text to Give: WBLUMC to 73256

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE Margie Grilley

CLOSING HYMN *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (No. 694, all verses)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Suite Gothique. IV. Toccata* Léon Boëllmann

ALTAR FLOWERS: Today's arrangement is given by the Staff-Parish Relations Committee in honor of Pastors Bill Eaves and Christine Ford for Clergy Appreciation Month in October.

TODAY AT WBLUMC



Starting this week! You can make a difference at WBLUMC. Pledge cards will be arriving in the mail soon, along with a letter and online pledging instructions.

9am Traditions & 10:45am New Crossings worship

Masks are strongly recommended inside the church. *10am online worship will continue.*

COMING UP at WBLUMC

It's already time for Christmas poinsettias! Pick up your form on the Welcome Table to order your white or red Christmas poinsettias. Orders are due **TODAY!**

Sandwich-making mission opportunity today: Open to all ages immediately following 9am worship in Room 200. Sanitary gloves and masks will be required. We'll make 200 meat, cheese and sliced bread sandwiches that will be delivered to the Waite House in Minneapolis on Monday, Nov. 1. Waite House, a part of the Pillsbury United Communities, is a neighborhood center in the Phillips Community of South Minneapolis. The Sandwich Project of MN is a grassroots organization dedicated to coordinating the production and delivery of sandwiches to homeless shelters and food shelves throughout the Twin Cities area.

All-church conference: Please join us in Fellowship Hall for an all-church conference at 10am on **Sunday, Nov. 7**, for approval of pastoral compensation.

Fall indoor cleanup inside: Places in the church where stuff gathers will be cleaned and reorganized 9am-noon on **Saturday, Nov. 13**, to make better use of space. Areas of focus will be closets and rooms that have been taken over for storage. If someone from your group can't be here to help on Nov. 13, please make sure your group's areas are organized before that date. A recent inspection by the White Bear Lake Fire Department has necessitated this clean-up because we're in violation in several areas. In the future, all stored items must be lower than 24 inches below the sprinkler heads, doors cannot be blocked, nor can the electrical or other control panels. As committee chairs and church members we need to periodically ask a few simple questions: How long has it been since the item has been used? When will it be used next? Do we still need to store that item, or would it be better to donate it to someone who has a use for it or to just toss it? If you have any questions, please contact Director of Operations Patricia Kytola at Patricia.Kytola@wblumc.org before Nov. 13!

YogaDevotion classes: In addition to the ongoing Tuesday evening classes, the new Wednesday morning classes have been extended. To join at 9-10am **Wednesdays, Nov. 17-Dec. 22**, please go online to yogadevotion.com. Contact Carolyn Sayles at tersay@msn.com for information about next session at 6-7pm Tuesdays, **Nov. 2-Dec. 21**. All classes are in Fellowship Hall.

Church book club: November's title is a Pulitzer Prize winner -- *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen. The next meeting will be on **Monday, Nov. 22**, at 7pm via Zoom. Fall meetings will continue online; please email Rick Flynn at rmflynn1@comcast.net for the link. Read about this book and view the full 2021-22 reading list and descriptions at wblumc.org/ministries/groups_and_missions.

Help with Powerpoint video: We'd love your help with the Sunday worship video presentations! We'll provide all training so you're comfortable with being the slideshow presenter at the 9am and/or 10:45am services — we especially need volunteers at second service. Please contact Dean Gray at deanbob64@gmail.com for more information or to sign up.

Staff news: WBLUMC has hired **Jean Broberg** as our new Administrative Assistant in the office. Jean will officially start **Tuesday, Nov. 2**. Stay tuned for announcements about new, expanded office hours! **Lauri Hopple** will continue working with church staff on communications, promotions and website maintenance.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS & PRODUCTION TEAM

Chancel Choir; Karen Flynn, organ;
Bernie Kaeflerlein, sound technician; Dean Gray, Powerpoint