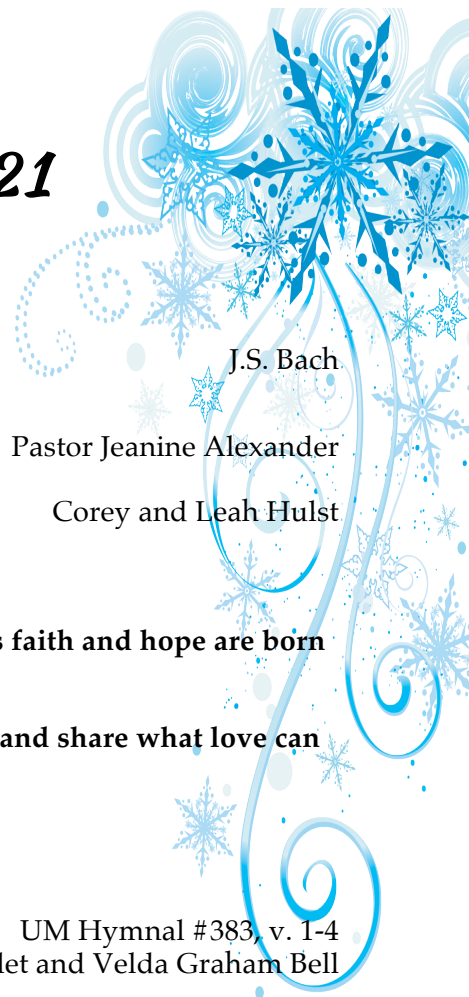


Sunday, January 24, 2021



Prelude *Hail This Brightest Day of Days*
Velda Graham Bell, organ

J.S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Call to Worship

Corey and Leah Hulst

One: This is a day of new beginnings.

All: Time to remember what love is bringing.

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All: God's mighty Spirit can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born anew.

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All: With the Spirit's daring, we will seek new paths as we show and share what love can do.

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All: Our God is making all things new!

Hymn *This is a Day of New Beginnings*

UM Hymnal #383, v. 1-4

led by Michael Goodlet and Velda Graham Bell

1. *This is a day of new beginnings,
time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing,
laying to rest the pain that's gone.*

2. *For by the life and death of Jesus,
God's mighty Spirit, now as then,
can make for us a world of difference,
as faith and hope are born again.*

3. *Then let us, with the Spirit's daring,
step from the past and leave behind
our disappointment, guilt, and grieving,
seeking new paths, and sure to find.*

4. *Christ is alive, and goes before us
to show and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings;
our God is making all things new.*

Morning Prayer

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Prayer Song *On Eagle's Wings*

UM Hymnal #143

*Refrain: And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of God's hand.*

Prayers of Concern and Celebration

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Children's Message

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Anthem *Laudate Dominum ("Praise the Lord")* W.A. Mozart
Tasha Kapp, soprano; Jenna Mattson, violin; Velda Graham Bell, organ

English translation: *Praise the Lord, all nations; Praise Him, all people. For he has bestowed His mercy upon us,
And the truth of the Lord endures forever. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever, and for generations of generations. Amen.*

Scripture Reading Russ Lindgren

Mark 8:34-38

Jesus told the crowd and the disciples to come closer and he said, "If any of you want to be my followers, you must forget about yourself. You must take up your cross and follow me. If you want to save your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for me and for the good news, you will save it. What will you gain, if you own the whole world but lose yourself? What could you give to get back your soul? Don't be ashamed of me and my message among these unfaithful and sinful people! If you are, the Son of Man will be ashamed of you when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Sermon *Driven by Our Values* Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Hymn *Healer of Our Every Ill* The Faith We Sing #2213
led by Emma Rustan

*Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.*

*1. You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort,
fill our hearts.*

*Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.*

*2. In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision,
God of love.*

*Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,*

*give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.*

*3. Give us strength to love each other,
every sister, every brother;
Spirit of all kindness,
be our guide.*

*Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.*

*4. You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing,
Spirit of compassion,
fill each heart.*

*Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.*

Benediction Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude *"Largo" from The Four Seasons - Winter* Antonio Vivaldi
Jenna Mattson, violin; Velda Graham Bell, organ



If you would like to connect with Pastor Jeanine and other FUMC members, please join us for a Zoom meeting every Thursday morning at 10 am. We'll visit with one another, hear church updates, share Scripture and pray. Come any time – once or every week. You are welcome!
The Zoom meeting link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/915188407> Meeting ID: 915 188 407

Annual Meetings:

FUMC will have our All Church Annual Meeting via Zoom on **Sunday, February 14 at 11 am** (right after worship) for the following purposes:

- Membership report and approval
- Financial report
- COVID policy and update
- Reopening process and plan
- Action on pastoral candidates
- Update on the UMC
- A chance to be together

The Zoom meeting link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5446347519> Meeting ID: 544 634 7519

If you need help to get on Zoom, please contact Kelby Werner in the church office (218-727-5021 or at info@fumcduluth.com) and he will help you. There are also dial-in numbers for those unable to do video.

Hillside UMC will have our Charge Conference via Zoom on **Tuesday, February 2 at 7:30 pm**. The Ad Council will be presenting and approving the 2021 budget and the nominations for the leadership board. Everyone is welcome to attend. The Zoom meeting link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7867461473>
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