



Sunday, November 8, 2020

Consecration Sunday

Veterans Day



Prelude *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Emma Rustan, piano

William Chatterton Dix

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Call to Worship

LeRoy, Eben and Clara Britton

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story:

People: We give you thanks, O God!

Leader: For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

People: We give you thanks, O God!

Leader: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the world's common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellows:

People: We give you thanks, O God!

Leader: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

People: We give you thanks, O God!

Hymn *America the Beautiful*

UM Hymnal #696

led by Michael Goodlet and Velda Graham Bell

*1. O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.*

*2. O beautiful for heroes proved
in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved,
and mercy more than life!*

*America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness,
and every gain divine.*

*3. O beautiful for patriot dream
that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam,
undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self control,
thy liberty in law.*

Morning Prayer

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Concerns and Celebrations

Jesus' Prayer

Loving God, Sacred One, Blessed be your name. May your kingdom come, your dream arrive, your purpose prevail, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us the wrong we have done, as we forgive those who have wronged us. Help us steer clear of temptation, and protect us from evil. We trust you in this, for the kingdom, its power and its beauty, are yours forever. Amen.

Children's Message for Everyone: A Look Back at 2020: A Year of Blessing and Making a Difference

Anthem *Milele*

Strikepoint

Jason W. Krug

Scripture Reading

Russ Lindgren

Matthew 5:38-42

"You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you."

Hymn *What Gift Can We Bring*

UM Hymnal #87
led by Emma Rustan

1. What gift can we bring,
what present, what token?
What words can convey it,
the joy of this day?
When grateful we come,
remembering, rejoicing,
what song can we offer
in honor and praise?

3. Give thanks for tomorrow,
full of surprises,
for knowing whatever
tomorrow may bring,
the Word is our promise
always, forever,
we rest in God's keeping
and live in God's love.

2. Give thanks for the past,
for those who had vision,
who planted and watered
so dreams could come true.
Give thanks for the now,
for study, for worship,
for mission that bids us
turn prayer into deed.

4. This gift we now bring,
this present, this token,
these words can convey it,
the joy of this day!
When grateful we come,
remembering, rejoicing,
this song we now offer
in honor and praise!

Sermon *The Methodist Way: Do No Harm*

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Offertory *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Adair Ballavance, vocalist

Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

Hymn *Sent Out in Jesus' Name*

The Faith We Sing #2184, sing twice
led by Tapestry

*Sent out in Jesus' name,
our hands are ready now
to make the earth the place
in which the kingdom comes. (Repeat)*

*The angels cannot change
a world of hurt and pain*

*into a world of love,
of justice and of peace.
The task is ours to do,
to set it really free.
O help us to obey
and carry out your will.*

Words for Going Forth

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude *Old Hundredth*

arr. Alice Jordan

Velda Graham Bell, organ



Today is Consecration Sunday. In our 10 am worship service, we will each be asked to make an estimate of our financial gifts to the ministry and mission of our church for 2021. Please be prayerfully thinking about what God is calling you to give. Remember the images of the wonderful ways you are making a difference with your participation and your giving.

Following worship today, First UMC people are invited to come to the church parking lot, where you can put your 2021 estimate of giving in our offering basket (we will come to your car wearing masks to pick it up) and you will be given an individually-wrapped donut (we hear you are missing the donuts after worship!). There will also be fire pits in the parking lot if you want to get out of your car and safely talk with people (please wear masks).

From 11:15 – noon today, Verna Porter will be by the east parking lot door for your to drive by, wish her will, give her a card, as she moves to Seattle later this month.

First UMC: if you can't come to church today, please mail your estimate of giving card to the church office or stop in and place it in the basket on the communion table in the Sanctuary Monday-Friday 10 am – 2 pm.

Hillside UMC: Please mail your estimate of giving to the church office.

A Charge Conference will be held on Tuesday, November 17 at 7:00 pm, via Zoom. A Charge Conference is a meeting in which all members of the church have a voice and the leadership board and affiliated clergy have votes. The sole purpose of this Charge Conference is to approve the pastoral compensation for 2021. All are welcome to attend. This meeting will be held at the beginning of the Administrative Council meeting, and you are welcome to stay for that meeting as well. A link to the Zoom meeting will be in next week's bulletin and sent out in the pastor's weekly email.

Terri Lynn nuts are back! This year ordering will be done entirely online. All proceeds from the sale of nuts, dried fruits, snacks and candy will go to benefit our youth program. Order at CoppertopDuluth.terrilynn.com

Calling all kids and youth... and even adults! We are working on our virtual Christmas pageant plans and want to invite you to be it. We need a few speaking parts and lots of singers. Please let Cynthia or Jojo know if you are interested ASAP! Pastorcynthiac@gmail.com or families@fumcduluth.com

Thank you to Michael Goodlet, Emma Rustan, Tapestry, and Velda Graham Bell for leading the hymns today.

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