

Sunday, August 29, 2021



Prelude *Blessed Jesus, We are Here* J.S. Bach
Velda Graham Bell, organ

Prelude in F Major J.S. Bach
Kylin Hahn, organ

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jeanine Alexander

*** Call to Worship** Ella Walker

One: God of all the nations, we gather in worship.

All: We sing together a song of peace for all nations.

One: God of all the nations, hear our prayer.

All: We pray that we will see all people and lands as equally beloved.

One: God of all the nations, we sing to you.

All: We give ourselves to you, praying that Your will be done.

*** Hymn** *This is My Song* UM Hymnal #437

Service of Confirmation

Today we are confirming Grace Adele Abbott, Kiana Alice Langdon-Larson and Ella Katheryn Walker.

Congregational Response: **We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy Church, and we welcome you to this congregation of the United Methodist Church. We promise to uphold you by our prayers and our presence. Together we will share our gifts and serve each other and the world. May God be glorified in the way we live and worship.**

*** Hymn** *Sanctuary* The Faith We Sing #2164 (sing three times)

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Scripture Reading Kiana Langdon-Larson and Grace Abbott

James 1:22-27

You must be doers of the word and not only hearers who mislead themselves. Those who hear but don't do the word are like those who look at their faces in a mirror. They look at themselves, walk away, and immediately forget what they were like. But there are those who study the perfect law, the law of freedom, and continue to do it. They don't listen and then forget, but they put it into practice in their lives. They will be blessed in whatever they do. If those who claim devotion to God don't control what they say, they mislead themselves. Their devotion is worthless. True devotion, the kind that is pure and faultless before God the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their difficulties and to keep the world from contaminating us.

Sermon *The Power of Practice* Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Anthem *Salut d'Amour* Edward Elgar
Jenna Mattson, violin; Velda Graham Bell, piano

Morning Prayer

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Prayers of Concern and Celebration

Jesus' Prayer - from *The Message*

Our Father in heaven, reveal who you are. Set the world right; Do what's best – as above, so below. Keep us alive with three square meals. Keep us forgiven with you and forgiving others. You're in charge! You can do anything you want! You're ablaze in beauty! Yes. Yes. Yes. Amen!

* Hymn *Song of Hope*

The Faith We Sing #2186 (sing twice)

Benediction

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude *Sonatina, op. 100, 1st movement*

Anton Dvořák

Jenna Mattson, violin; Velda Graham Bell, piano

* Please stand as you are comfortable.



Announcements

Please fill out the connect cards each week. At least for now, they are replacing the pew pads. Keeping attendance and making sure the church has your current contact information is an important part of the church records. **On the back of the card**, you will find a list of ministry opportunities, places where your help can make a difference! These opportunities will change often, so check them out each week and please sign up where you can.

Fellowship time following the service will be held outdoors in the east parking lot, weather permitting.

Congratulations to all of this year's confirmands, some of whom were confirmed in April. Grace Adele Abbott, Abbi Jo Adamec, McKenzie Mae Ball, Izy Renz Fairchild, Niklas Joseph Jeannette, Olive Louise Jeannette, Kiana Alice Langdon-Larson, Sofia Jean Orman, Bella Maxine Serck, Ella Katheryn Walker.

PRIDE weekend is Labor Day weekend. Join us for the festival at Bayfront Park on Sat., Sept. 4 from 11-5; the breakfast here at FUMC on Sunday at 9; and the parade in Superior on Sunday after worship.

Thank you to Adair Ballavance, Carol Donahue, Mike Donahue, and Nancy Eaton for leading hymns today.

Thank you to Bill Alexander, Alex Flinner, Nick Gosen, and the Livestream Team for making the online service possible.

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