

# First United Methodist Church Sunday, February 5, 2023

Please be aware that our services are livestreamed, and any adults and/or children participating in musical groups, children's messages and liturgist roles will appear on camera.

Prelude March Franz Schubert

Laila Seidakhmetova and Velda Graham Bell, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

\* Call to Worship
One: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All: Early in the morning, our song shall rise to thee.

One: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All: Grace inhabits every face. I feel God's hand in mine.

One: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All: Holy God restores us. Light the path before us.

\* Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

attachment (v. 2-5 written by Sarah Maddy)

Children may leave for Sunday School or pick up an activity bag at the entrance to the Sanctuary.

#### Morning Prayer

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

<u>Unison Prayer:</u> God of comfort and compassion, thank you for hearing both our praise and our lament. What a gift it is that you welcome our true feelings, never withholding your love and affection from us. We grieve the devastation and suffering in our world. We grieve the destruction of addiction. We get angry when children suffer and when groups of people are excluded and treated unjustly. Hear our prayers, O God of grace. Come with your healing. Come with your mercy. Come with your power. Come with your love. Amen.

Prayers of Joy and Concern

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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

#### Scripture Readings

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

#### Proverbs 15:31-32

All: The one who listens to a life-giving rebuke will be at home among the wise. The one who ignores discipline despises him or herself, but whoever heeds correction gains understanding.

<u>Judges 8:1-3</u>

One: Now the Ephraimites asked Gideon, "Why have you treated us like this? Why didn't you call us when you went to fight Midian?" And they criticized him sharply. But he answered them, "What have I accomplished compared to you? Aren't the gleanings of Ephraim's grapes better than the full grape harvest of Abiezer? God gave Oreb and Zeeb, the Midianite leaders, into your hands. What was I able to do compared to you?" At this, their resentment against him subsided.

#### Luke 6:41-42

One: Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother or sister's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?

All: How can you say to your brother or sister, "Let me take the speck out of your eye," when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye?

You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye and then you will see clearly to remove the One: speck from your sister or brother's eye.

\* Hymn Help Us Accept Each Other UM Hymnal #560

Sermon Being Created Anew #5: Dealing with Criticism Pastor Jeanine Alexander

**Anthem** Ave Verum Corpus ("Hail true body") W.A. Mozart

Sanctuary Choir; Derek Bromme, director

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Please place your financial gifts in the offering plates at the front or back of the

Sanctuary or by using online giving.

Music During Communion Sheep May Safely Graze J.S. Bach, arr. Leonard Duck

\* Hymn God Wills a Full Life for Us All attachment

Benediction Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude "Arrival of the Queen of Sheba" from Solomon G.F. Handel, arr. W. Weisman

Laila Seidakhmetova and Velda Graham Bell, piano

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand as you are comfortable.



### **Announcements**

Please remember to fill out the Connect Cards each week. They are replacing the attendance pads formerly found in the pews. Keeping attendance and making sure the church has your current contact information is an important part of church records. On the back of the card, is a list of ministry opportunities, where your help can make a difference! These will change often, so check them each week and please sign up where you can. Guests: Welcome to First United Methodist Church. We are so glad you are worshipping with us today! Please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Narthex; we have a packet and small gift for first-time visitors.

Please join us for coffee and doughnuts in Lakeview Social Hall following the worship service.

The church annual meeting will be held on Sunday, February 12 following worship at 11:15am in Lakeview Social Hall. All church members and friends are invited to attend and to participate. We will elect leadership, take action on membership, hear the financial report and have a time of fellowship. If you cannot come in person and would like information emailed or mailed to you, please let the church office know (218-727-5021, info@fumcduluth.com).

Join us for Faith Forum Sunday mornings 9:00-9:45 in the East Lounge. On February 12, guest speaker JhonRae Reeves will talk about "Love Your Block: Pride in Small Scale Projects."

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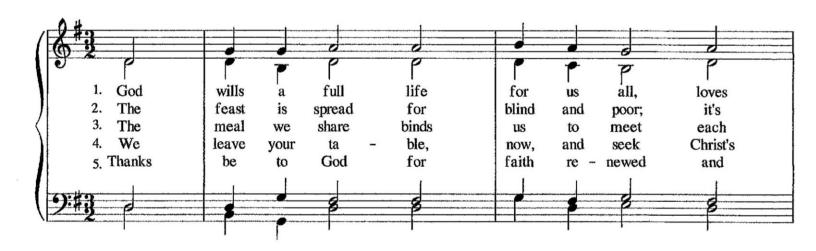
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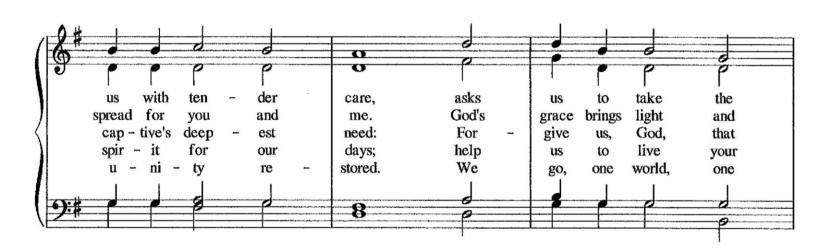


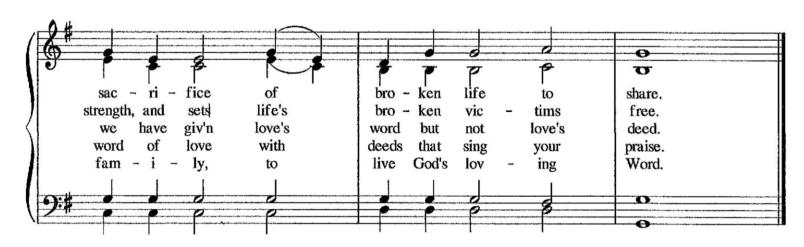
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## God Wills a Full Life for Us All







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