

First United Methodist Church Sunday, October 2, 2022 World Communion Sunday

On this day, churches around the world will take communion as an expression of their oneness in Jesus Christ. Today is a day to remember that around the globe – in different languages and with different customs and different ways of seeing and believing – the Lord's Supper is celebrated.

Children and Youth: please meet Jojo in the back of the church to choose a flag for the processional.

Parents may process with kids.

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 In Christ There is No East or West African American spiritual, arr. Gilbert Martin Velda Graham Bell, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

* Call to Worship Peyton Walker

One: Throughout the world today, Christian churches are celebrating Holy Communion. We come to the table as part of a worldwide family of faith.

All: All our sisters and brothers in Africa, Europe, Central America, Asia, and in all lands and countries join us in lifting the bread of life and the cup of salvation.

One: In Christ's love, there is no East, no West, no North, no South, but only one Spirit of hope, love and peace for all.

All: May Christ bless the worldwide communion of the church this day!

* Opening Hymn and Procession of the Flags A Place at the Table attachment; v. 1, 2, 4, 6

Children's Message Jojo Coffin-Langdon, Director of Family Ministries

Anthem

Let Us Break Bread Together

Cast in Bronze; Bill Alexander, director

Jenna Mattson, violin; Becky Peterson, cello; Libby Gaalaas, clarinet

Worldwide Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sharing the story of the Bread and the Cup Distribution of Elements

Special Music *Many and Great, O God* Dakota melody; arr. Robert Buckley Farlee Elise Hintzman, vocals; Velda Graham Bell, organ

Children 5th grade and younger may leave for Sunday School.

Scripture Reading Peyton Walker

Matthew 6:9-12, 14-15

This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors...For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Luke 23:32-34

Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with Jesus to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified Jesus there, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Sermon The Jesus Prayer #4: What is God's Kind of Forgiveness? Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

* Hymn Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive UM Hymnal #390

Morning Prayer

Prayers of Joy and Concern

Unison Prayer: God of all nations, we give you thanks that we are all made in your image, with such rich diversity. On this day, we are in solidarity with the faithful around the world. As we break bread together, we remember that we are still one body in you, even though we have different languages, cultures and traditions, different ways of praying and praising. In solidarity we drink the cup together of hope, of new life, knowing that your will is for your people to be one body. We are one body, but we are not the same – it is through the gift of diversity that we are able to be your body. We thank you and praise you for making us all who we are, individually and collectively. We each celebrate our own ancestry, culture and ethnicity, and we pray to you now as you taught us...

Lord's Prayer (pray the Lord's Prayer in the language or version you first learned – using debts and debtors, trespasses, sins, etc. – so there is a diversity of words and language, but the same spirit of 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.

Anthem Al Shlosha D'varim Allan Naplan

Sanctuary Choir; Derek Bromme, director

"Al Shlosha D'varim" is a setting of an essential maxim from Jewish morality laws, translated to mean, "The world is sustained by three things: by truth, by justice, and by peace."

* Hymn Lord, We Come to Ask Your Healing

Benediction Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude Many and Great Dakota melody, arr. David Schelat

Velda Graham Bell, organ

^{*} please stand as you are comfortable



Announcements



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.

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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.

A gift to light the church for the week of October 2 has been given by the 2x2s in celebration of their 60th anniversary. Their gift will be shared with the Memorial Gardens.

It's this week! Join us on Thursday, October 6, for the drive-through Roast Beef Dinner. Meals will be \$12 each and available from 4:30-6:30pm. Sign up to volunteer at the table in the Narthex.

Bibles will be presented to 3-year-olds (and 4- and 5-year-olds who haven't received a 3-year-old Bible) and to 3rd graders (and 4th and 5th graders who haven't received a 3rd grade Bible) on Sunday, October 9 during our 10am worship service. Please let Pastor Jeanine (pastor@fumcduluth.com) or Jojo Coffin-Langdon (families@fumcduluth.com) know if you would like to have your child receive a Bible. If you cannot be in worship on October 9, we will find another way to present the Bible to your child.

Fuith Forum takes place Sunday mornings from 9-9:45 in the Fireside Lounge. On October 9, Bob Sherman will share his experiences as a volunteer in Ukraine.

The A Cappella Choir of Hamline University in St. Paul will sing at FUMC on Sunday, October 16 during our morning worship service. They have performed at our church many times in the past but this is their first trip here in several years. The A Cappella Choir, conducted by George Chu, will sing several pieces that morning. Don't miss this special musical treat!



Mark your calendars! Fall Roadside Cleanup will take place on Saturday, October 15 from noon-2pm on "our" stretch of Maple Grove Road. See Bill Alexander (bill@strikepoint.com) to sign up or for more information. Let's help keep our area beautiful!



A Fundraiser supporting medical organizations in Ukraine will be held on Saturday, October 22 at noon at Barkers Island Inn in Superior. Funds raised will support the Linda J. Sherman Foundation's work at the hospital in Lviv, Ukraine. Our own Strikepoint will be providing some of the entertainment. Linda Sherman was a member of our congregation until her death in 2021. More details on the fundraising event are in the October First Family.

COVID Policy Update. The Church Council met on Tuesday, September 20 and made some changes to the policy. Please keep in mind that as the situation changes, the policy may change again.

- Masks are welcome, but optional, at worship and church events.
- Masks are welcome, but optional, when singing in large spaces (outdoors, Sanctuary, Lakeview Social Hall, Hillside Room, Chapel the larger the space, the shorter exposure, the more distance between people, the safer).
- Team/Group leaders can make masking decisions for their groups (e.g. can require masks for their activities if that is needed for group members).
- Indoor eating is allowed.
- Please stay home if you are feeling sick or have symptoms (worship, team meetings and other activities can often be accessed through Zoom or YouTube).
- Wear a mask if you believe you have been exposed to COVID or another illness.
- For help determining what to do in individual circumstances use the <u>CDC isolation</u> calculator.
- We continue to urge vaccinations for the greater good.

Guest WIFI Network: FirstUnitedPublic. Password: Public2022.

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A Place at the Table

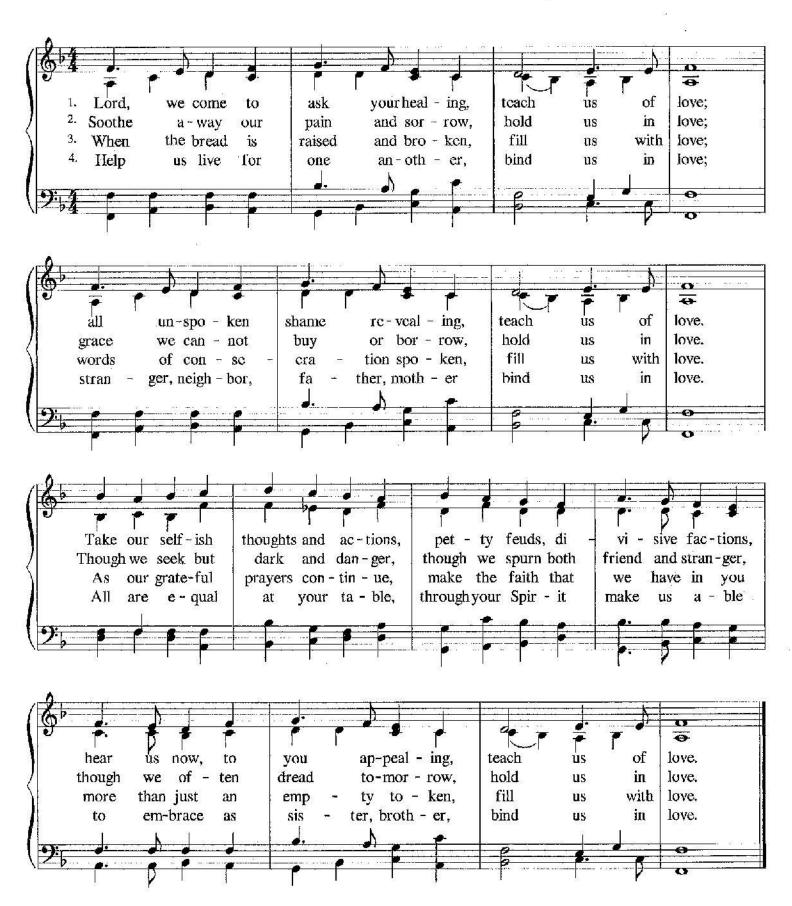


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