



First United Methodist Church
Sunday, August 6, 2023
Communion Sunday

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.

A nursery for children age 5 and under is located on the lower level to the left of the bathrooms. Activity bags, found on the Family Resource Table outside the Sanctuary, are available for children to use during worship. Sunday School will resume in the fall.

Prelude *Elegy* G.T. Thalden-Ball
Charles Sundquist, organ

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Call to Worship Kelby Werner, pastoral intern

One: We come, seeking to experience and convey the joy of this day!

All: **We come, both giving and receiving gifts.**

One: We give thanks for the past and the present, both gifts from God.

All: **We give thanks for tomorrow, knowing that whatever it brings, God is with us.**

One: We come, seeking to experience and convey the joy of this day!

All: **Our song we now offer in honor and praise!**

* Hymn *What Gift Can We Bring* UM Hymnal #87

Morning Prayer Pastor Jeanine Alexander
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.

Offering Our Gifts *Commissioning Lydia* Pastor Jeanine Alexander

* Hymn *Here I Am, Lord* UM Hymnal #593; v. 1-2

Scripture Reading Kelby Werner, pastoral intern

John 21:4-8; 15-17

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat and you will find some." So they cast it and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

Anthem *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Tom Trenney
Brandon Veale, tenor; Jenna Mattson, violin; Charles Sundquist, piano

Sermon *Spiritual Guides: Peter* Lydia Kantonen, ELI intern

* Hymn *Here I Am Lord* UM Hymnal #593; v. 3

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Pastor Jeanine Alexander and Lydia Kantonen

Music during Communion *Beautiful Savior* Hermann Schroeder
Charles Sundquist, organ

* Hymn *Go, My Children, With My Blessing* attachment


Benediction Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude *Toccata* Eugene Gigout
Charles Sundquist, 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, places 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 downstairs in Lakeview Social Hall following the worship service.

Thank you to Dr. Charles Sundquist for playing this morning while Velda Graham Bell is on vacation.

Thank you to Lydia Kantonen for being our summer ELI intern. Lydia's last day is this Thursday. Starting next week, Lydia will be a new high school science teacher at West Fargo High School. Please pray for Lydia on this new venture.

Scholarship Opportunity:

The Ardath Gibson Scholarship supports students who are members of FUMC (or whose family are members), are pursuing education in health care, physical sciences or business, and who have a GPA of 3.0 or above. The application form is available on the church website (fumcduluth.com) and must be submitted by August 17. Scholarships will be awarded during the worship service on Sunday, August 27.

Tomorrow: Monday, August 7 - Strikepoint's homecoming concert following their annual summer tour. Join us at 7pm in the Sanctuary for a rollicking good time. You know they save the best performance for us! Admission is free but an \$18 donation is suggested.



Mark your calendar! We will be holding our regular 10 am worship outside in our parking lot on Sunday, August 13, followed by a picnic. Join us for a beautiful service overlooking our magnificent lake!

Attention Teachers (Pre-school through college): This year we're collecting school supplies specifically for YOUR CLASSROOMS. Please email your lists of supplies needed (anything that will bless you and your classroom) to the church office (info@fumcduluth.com). We will let the congregation know your needs and later you will be able to come to church and choose items your classroom needs.

How You Can Help Your Church

If you can help, contact the church office (call 218-727-5021 or email info@fumcduluth.com).

Ruby's Pantry – our church has been asked to provide 10-12 volunteers at the Ruby's Pantry food distribution on Thursday, August 17. The times are 2:30-7pm, but you do not need to commit to the entire timeframe. For more information and to sign up, please contact Sue Kurth (218-260-9274, susanwkurth@gmail.com)

Rummage Sale Volunteer Needs: August 20-26

Setup, receiving, organizing donations: Sunday afternoon, Monday – Thursday, Friday morning

Checkout: Friday, Saturday

Cleanup, hauling unsold items away: Saturday after 2pm

For more information or to sign up, contact Anita Zager (anitazager@gmail.com)

Ways to give to support your church: give online at fumcduluth.com OR text COPPERTOP to 73256 OR mail to FUMC, 230 E. Skyline Parkway, Duluth, MN 55811

Guest WIFI Network: FirstUnitedPublic. Password: Public2022.

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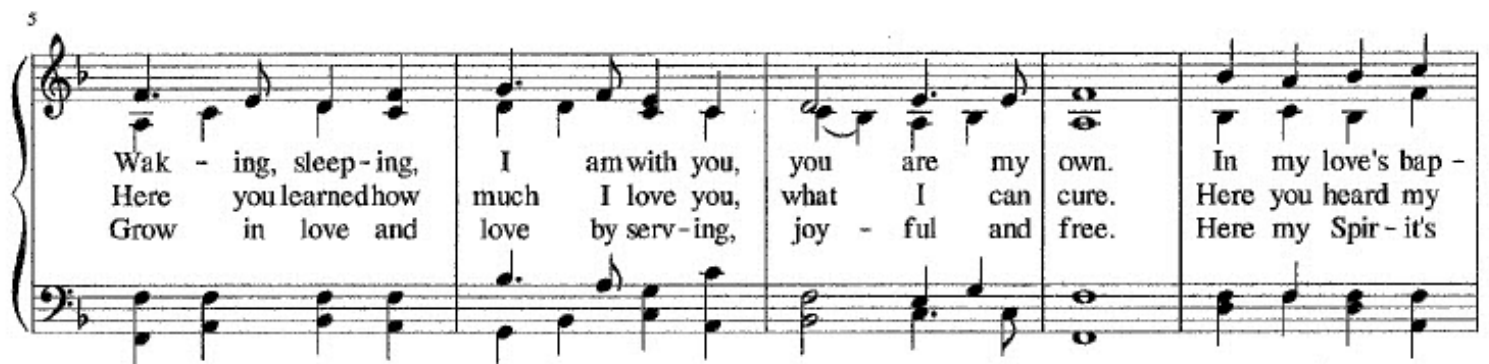
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Go, My Children, with My Blessing



"Go, my chil - dren with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.

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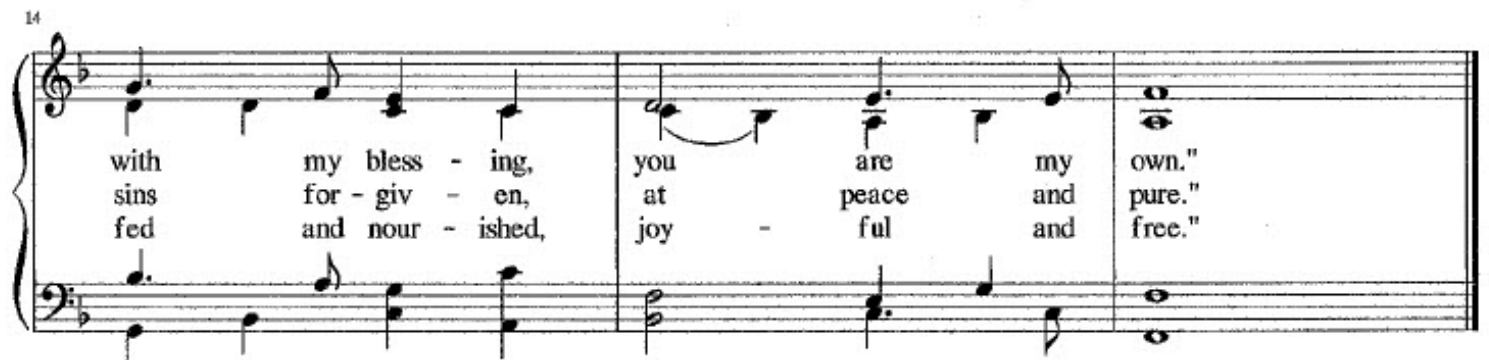
Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own. In my love's bap -
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure. Here you heard my
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free. Here my Spir - it's

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tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er. Go, my chil - dren,
 dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry. Go, my chil - dren,
 pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you. Go, my chil - dren,

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with my bless - ing, you are my own.
 sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free.