

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

A nursery is available for children in Kindergarten and under; the nursery 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. Please return the activity bags following the service. Sunday School will resume in the fall.

Prelude Dialogue and Trumpet Tune

Alfred Fedak

Tom Wiig

Velda Graham Bell, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

* Call to Worship

One: O for a thousand tongues to sing our great Redeemer's praise!

All: We sing to God in praise of a new day and the opportunities it brings.

One: O for a thousand tongues to sing our great Redeemer's praise!

All: We sing to God with thanks for the privilege of gathering in worship.

One: O for a thousand tongues to sing our great Redeemer's praise!

All: We lift grateful voices welcoming the presence of the Giver of life.

* Hymn O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

UM Hymnal #608; v. 1-5, 7

Children's Message

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

Children may return to their parents or go downstairs to the nursery following the Children's Message.

Morning Prayer

Prayer Song Surely the Presence of the Lord

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch UM Hymnal #328

Unison Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition

UM Hymnal #607

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Prayers of Joy and Concern

Jesus' Prayer – from the New Zealand Prayer Book

Eternal Spirit, Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all. Loving God, in whom is heaven. The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

Brandon Veale, tenor

Scripture Reading Tom Wiig

Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2

Therefore, each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger, do not sin:" do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need. Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

* Hymn Spirit, Open My Heart attachment

Sermon Imitators of God Rev. Mary Anne Korsch

Offering Our Gifts Rev. Mary Anne Korsch

* **Hymn** Go Forth for God UM Hymnal #670

Benediction Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

Postlude Toccatina on "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Alfred Fedak Velda Graham Bell, organ

^{*} please stand as you are comfortable



Announcements

Please remember to fill out the Connect Cards each week. 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.

Pastor Jeanine is on renewal leave and will return the end of August.

Outdoor Worship Service and a Tapestry Concert will take place on Sunday, August 25 in our parking lot overlooking our glorious lake. Following the service, everyone is invited to stay for an all-church picnic, complete with a special concert of Tapestry's favorite songs – and ours, too!

We are again collecting school supplies requested by teachers in our congregation; lists of needed supplies are in the August <u>First Family</u> and are available in the Narthex. Please bring your donations to church by August 25 and leave them by the communion table in the Sanctuary. Teachers may begin selecting supplies on August 25.

United Gospel Mission needs you to help feed kids! Looking for an exciting new volunteer opportunity? Union Gospel Mission is packing weekend food bags for kids this summer. Volunteers from FUMC are needed on Wednesday, August 28. Volunteers will meet Jana Picotte from 10am-1pm at Zion Lutheran Church in Cloquet. All are welcome! FUMC high schoolers are strongly encouraged to sign up, as this is a great way to connect with people, both from FUMC and the community. Please sign up at church or email Jana: jana@duluth-ugm.org

Mark your calendars! Our very popular Roast Beef Dinner will be held on Thursday, October 3, from 4:30-6:30pm. Lots of volunteers are needed! There will be signup sheets in the Narthex beginning September 8, or you can see the signup link here: signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA8A82CA4FFC61-50318582-fall

Church music groups will be resuming rehearsals soon. New members are always welcome! Add these dates to your calendar:

Wed., August 28 – The Sanctuary Choir begins their season with a potluck followed by a short rehearsal.

Wed., Sept. 4 – *Tapestry begins their fall season.*

Wed., Sept. 11 – All handbell groups (Cast in Bronze, Class Ring, Ringtones) begin. JAM and JAM Jr. begin.

Rehearsal times are the same as last year:

5:00 Ringtones 6:30 Cast in Bronze 5:00 JAM Jr. 6:30 Tapestry 5:10 Sanctuary Choir 7:45 Class Ring 5:40 JAM

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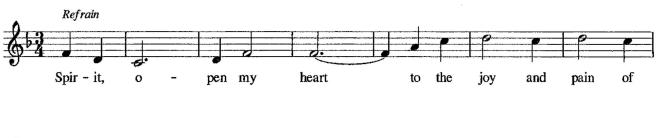
Union Gospel Mission needs volunteers to help serve a meal on Monday, August 12 between 11:30am and 1:30pm. Contact Jana Picotte with questions: jana@duluth-ugm-org

Ruby's Pantry needs volunteers on Thursday, August 15 between 4 and 7pm. August is one of the months that FUMC has "adopted" to provide volunteers. Contact Sue Kurth with questions: susanwkurth@gmail.com

Ways to give to support your church: give online at <u>fumcduluth.com</u> or use the QR code **OR** text COPPERTOP to 73256 **OR** mail to FUMC, 230 E. Skyline Parkway, Duluth, MN 55811.

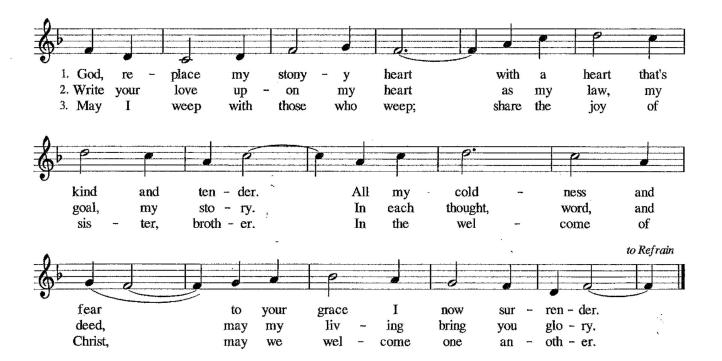


Spirit, Open My Heart









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