



First United Methodist Church
Sunday, September 29, 2024

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 for children ages 5 and under is on the lower level and will include a Bible lesson. Sunday School for children K-5th grade will be held in the upper-level Children's Lounge following the Children's Message. Please pick up your kids in the Lounge after worship.

- Prelude** *Rhosymedre* Velda Graham Bell, organ Ralph Vaughan Williams
- Welcome and Announcements** Pastor Jeanine Alexander
- * Call to Worship** Maryjane Burdge
- One: We gather, grateful to be together.
All: Past, present, and future, we find strength in each other.
One: We share stories that offer hope and consolation.
All: We read sacred Scripture that guides our way.
One: We gather, grateful to be together.
All: Past, present, and future, we find strength in each other, and Jesus shines in and through us.
- * Hymn** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UM Hymnal #206, v. 1-2
- Children's Message** Pastor Jeanine Alexander
- Anthem** *How Great Thou Art/Majesty* arr. Joel Raney
Sanctuary Choir; Derek Bromme, director
- Morning Prayer** Pastor Jeanine Alexander
Prayers of Joy and Concern

Jesus' Prayer – contemporary version by Parker Palmer
Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, Holy and blessed is your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to come, we pray that your good will be done; let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day the bread we need, give it to those who have none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, from each one to each one. Lead us to holy innocence beyond the evil of our days — Come swiftly, Mother, Father, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy: Forever your name is All in One. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Maryjane Burdge

Genesis 1:26-27

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So, God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them, male and female he created them.

Galatians 3:28

"There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male or female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

Offering Our Gifts	<i>Sustainability Moment</i>	Pastor Jeanine Alexander
* Hymn	<i>Bring Many Names</i>	The Faith We Sing #2047
Sermon	<i>Jesus' Way #2: Seeing, Being the Image of God</i>	Pastor Jeanine Alexander
* Hymn	<i>The Servant Song</i>	The Faith We Sing #2222
Benediction		Pastor Jeanine Alexander
Postlude	<i>Fanfare</i>	William Mathias

Velda Graham Bell, organ



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.

Join us for coffee and doughnuts in the lower-level Lakeview Social Hall following the worship service.

The next new member class, "Discover FUMC," will be held today at 11:15am in the Fireside Lounge. This is the only session needed in order to join the church.

The Twin Ports Wind Orchestra, under the direction of our own Dr. Mark Whitlock, will open their 2024-2025 season with a "Classical Brass" concert in our Sanctuary this afternoon at 3:00pm. The concert will feature Gustav Holst's popular seven-movement orchestral suite, "The Planets." Tickets will be available at the door.

The Roast Beef Dinner will be held this Thursday, October 3, from 4:30-6:30pm; we hope to see you all there! Volunteers are still needed. There are signup sheets in the Narthex, or you can sign up here: signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA8A82CA4FFC61-50318582-fall

Faith Forum is held on Sunday mornings from 9-9:45am in the Fireside Lounge. Next week, October 6, Jayson Young, Development Director at the Depot Foundation, will talk about the Depot's 45th anniversary and its plans for the future. The following week, October 13, Andrea Gelb will lead a conversation about "The Art of Difficult Discussions" – how to talk respectfully with people who have different viewpoints.

An organ dedication concert will be held at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (219 N. 6th Ave. E., Duluth) next Sunday, October 6, at 3:00pm. This concert and hymn sing celebrates the installation of their new Fenris pipe organ. Charles Sundquist will be the featured organist and commentator, and the concert will be followed by a pie reception.

Mark your calendars! Tuesday, October 8, at 1:00pm is the day for making our best-selling Cassia Bud Pickles for the Bazaar on November 9. Volunteers are needed – both men and women are eligible! A total of ten people are needed for a maximum of 2-3 hours: seven people to slice pickles and help fill pint jars (this is a sit-down job) and three people to add cassia buds and brine and to help clean up (this will be minimal). Please sign up in the church office (218-727-5021) or talk to Linda Wiig or Celeste Dallman.



Trunk or Treat this year will be held on Wednesday, October 30, from 6:30-7:30pm. Families are invited to bring children in (non-violent) costumes and have dinner in Lakeview Social Hall from 6-6:30 before heading outside for some Halloween fun! Help is needed: donate candy to be handed out and/or sign up to decorate your car trunk and hand out candy at the event. Candy donations can be brought to the church office.

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Ways You Can Help Your Church



Volunteer to help make Cassia Bud Pickles on Tuesday, October 8. Call the church office (218-727-5021) or talk to Linda Wiig or Celeste Dallman.

Volunteer to decorate your car trunk and hand out candy for Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 30.

Donate candy for Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 30. Candy donations may be brought to the church office.

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

