



First United Methodist Church

Sunday, June 29, 2025



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 is available for children 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 *Antiphon V*
Prélude modal

Velda Graham Bell, organ

Marcel Dupré
Jean Langlais

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

*** Call to Worship**

Julie Moses

One: We worship the God immortal, invisible, wise!

All: **God's light is so bright, sometimes our eyes can't see, but still we praise.**

One: God is unresting, unhasting, silent and mighty!

All: **God's justice soars with goodness and love.**

One: God gives life to all, and lives in all!

All: **When we blossom and flourish, or wither and perish, God is with us.**

One: God reigns in glory and dwells in light!

All: **We worship the God immortal, invisible, wise!**

*** Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

UM Hymnal #103

Children's Message

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Scripture Reading

Julie Moses

Psalm 139:7-12

Lord, where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Special Music *Nocturne*

Emily Wetzel, flute

Lili Boulanger

Morning Prayer

Prayers of Joy and Concern

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Jesus' Prayer - by Parker Palmer, adapted

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, heavenly One, 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, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy: Forever your name is All in One. Amen!

Offering Our Gifts

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

* Hymn *Healer of Our Every Ill*

The Faith We Sing #2213

Sermon *Moments that Take Our Breath Away: When God Meets Us*

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Anthem *Just a Closer Walk*

arr. Jack Schrader

Women's Trio: Mary Whitlock, Mary Beamish, Alix Craft

* Hymn *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

UM Hymnal #127

Benediction

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude *Pasticcio*

Jean Langlais

Velda Graham Bell, organ

* *please stand as you are comfortable*



Announcements



*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.

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

Ring in the Rose Garden. This afternoon at 3pm, a group of handbell ringers, from our church and others, will gather in the Rose Garden near Leif Erickson Park. They first did this during COVID, as a chance to make music together and to celebrate several June birthdays. This year the gathering will also be remembering Bill Alexander, whose birthday would be June 30. At least 18 ringers will form three groups, sight-reading "12-bell music." The plan is to be at the east end of the Rose Garden, near the parking lot, or in case of rain, in our Sanctuary. If you'd like to come and listen, handbell ringers always enjoy an audience!

Next Sunday is Communion Sunday, when we are encouraged to bring a donation of food or money for the CHUM Food Shelf. While anything is welcome, this month CHUM is particularly in need of soup. The next time you're shopping, please put a couple extra cans of soup in your cart and bring them to church next week, **July 6**, when we celebrate communion.

Your help is needed on **Wednesday, July 2** from 10am-1pm to help pack Project Joy Weekend Food Bags in Lakeview Social Hall. This Union Gospel Mission project is a fun and meaningful way to make sure kids in our community have easy-to-open and easy-to-prepare food to last them through the weekend. Bring a friend, wear comfortable shoes, and come ready to spread some joy! Contact Jana (jana@duluth-ugm.org) or call the Mission (218-722-1196) if you have any questions.

Thank you to the Livestream Team for making the online service possible.

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Ways You Can Help Your Church

Volunteers are needed on **Wednesday, July 2** to help pack weekend food bags for kids. (See the announcement above.) Contact Jana (jana@duluth-ugm.org) or call the Union Gospel Mission (218-722-1196) if you have any questions.

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.

