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Love Thy Neighbor, Texas edition

The Bread Oven Team will help raise funds to help victims of Hurricane Harvey and its aftermath by baking 250 loaves of delicious bread in our wood fired ovens on Sept. 16. For a minimum donation of \$10 you will be able to pick up one of these loaves on **Sunday, Sept. 17, 10am-6pm**, and the donations will go to the United Methodist Committee on Relief in support of the relief for Texas. Ordering and payment information will be coming soon. Volunteers for this event are welcome and much appreciated. Stay tuned for updates, and please help spread the word about this chance to help our Texas neighbors!

**Prayer at WBLUMC:** One of the ways our church helps to nourish and support the hungers of life is through prayer. If you have a special need or celebration that could use extra care, we invite you to partake in one of these prayer avenues. If your spirit has the need to support others through prayer, we invite you to join in one of the teams.

**The Prayer Team:** If you would like to request a prayer of this team, please write it on a prayer request card, or contact Julie Jacot at 651-777-3728, [ljacot@q.com](mailto:ljacot@q.com). **The Email Prayer Chain** accepts email requests via a call or email to a pastor or the email prayer chain lead, Ronda Nelson, at [rondalauva2@msn.com](mailto:rondalauva2@msn.com). **The Phone Prayer Chain** is organized through the UMW. Call Eva Shipley if you would like to request a prayer at 651-429-3570.

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10am Worship Communion Sunday, Sept 3, 2017

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE; PLEASE SEE USHERS ♦ PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

“Your beliefs become your thoughts, your thoughts become your words,  
Your words become your actions, your actions become your habits,  
Your habits become your values, your values become your destiny.” ~ Mahatma Gandhi

“Before you tell your life what you intend to do with it, listen for what it intends to do with you.  
Before you tell your life what truths and values you have decided to live up to, let your life tell you  
what truths you embody, what values you represent.” ~ Parker J. Palmer

“One is often so busy doing life that it is easy to avoid evaluating  
whether you are putting your energy in the direction you value most .” ~ Deborah Day

PRELUDE “Day By Day” Stephen Schwartz

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP “Seek Ye First”

+OPENING WORDS (responsively)  
Creating God, your redemptive purposes extend to the many and varied places of our work:  
in factory or field, in office or laboratory, in hospital or school.  
**Let us bring the full measure of our strength and intellect to our work.**

Help us in our work to provide for those we love and to create a place of safety and respect for all.  
**Let our work enhance the earth and build up the common good.**

Help us to balance our work with time for friends and family, with our community of faith,  
and with the rhythm of Sabbath rest and renewal.  
**Let our work reflect the goodness, justice, and creativity of our loving God.**

+OPENING HYMN “Gather Us In” No. 2236

MORNING PRAYER

THE 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.**

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12: 1-2, 6-21

Reader: Katie Jenkins

So here’s what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don’t become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You’ll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.

If you preach, just preach God’s Message, nothing else; if you help, just help, don’t take over; if you teach, stick to your teaching; if you give encouraging guidance, be careful that you don’t get bossy; if you’re put in charge, don’t manipulate; if you’re called to give aid to people in distress, keep your eyes open and be quick to respond; if you work with the disadvantaged, don’t let yourself get irritated with them or depressed by them. Keep a smile on your face.

Love from the center of who you are; don’t fake it. Run for dear life from evil; hold on for dear life to good. Be good friends who love deeply; practice playing second fiddle.

Don’t burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame. Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant. Don’t quit in hard times; pray all the harder. Help needy Christians; be inventive in hospitality.

Bless your enemies; no cursing under your breath. Laugh with your happy friends when they’re happy; share tears when they’re down. Get along with each other; don’t be stuck-up. Make friends with nobodies; don’t be the great somebody.

Don’t hit back; discover beauty in everyone. If you’ve got it in you, get along with everybody. Don’t insist on getting even; that’s not for you to do. “I’ll do the judging,” says God. “I’ll take care of it.”

Our Scriptures tell us that if you see your enemy hungry, go buy that person lunch, or if he’s thirsty, get him a drink. Your generosity will surprise him with goodness. Don’t let evil get the best of you; get the best of evil by doing good.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Leader:* For the word of God in Scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE	Sunday and the Other Days of the Week	Pastor Bill Eaves
+HYMN	“Dear Lord, Lead Me Day By Day”	No. 411

CONNECTION CARDS  
*Please take time now to fill out your green connection cards. After the prayer of dedication, place them in the offering plates.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP  
*We will receive communion by intinction — dipping the bread into the cup so as to take them together. Individual and gluten-free servings are available at the table. We serve communion at an open table — you are welcome to participate as you choose.*

COMMUNION MUSIC	“One Bread, One Body”	No. 620
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF BLESSING

+CLOSING HYMN	“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”	No. 664
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+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

IN MEMORIAM The white rose on the altar is in remembrance of WBLUMC member Rebecca Diller, who died on Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017. Her funeral was at the church on Thursday, Aug. 31.

**Musicians:** The Chancel Choir and Matt Goinz, director; John Koziol, keyboards; Kirk Hoslin, sound technician





## New fall worship times!

Starting **Sunday, Sept. 17**, we'll return to two services,  
but they'll be at new times:

**9am traditional/blended worship** with nursery and Sunday School  
and **10:45am band-led worship** with nursery

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### Sunday, Sept. 3

10am—Worship/nursery  
11am—Fair Trade coffee/tea, treats, fellowship  
11am—Individual prayer, prayer room

#### Monday, Sept. 4: Labor Day

Church office closed for holiday  
10am—Hang Loose Women's Al-Anon, room 206

#### Tuesday, Sept. 5

10:30am-noon—Staff meeting, room 206

#### Wednesday, Sept. 6

9am-3pm—Office open; no scheduled activities

#### Thursday, Sept. 7

7:10am—Men's Breakfast Group, library  
10am—Pages of Wisdom, room 107  
11:30am-1pm—Up All Night meeting, room 200  
7pm—Worship Committee, library

#### Friday, Sept. 8

9am-noon—Office open; no scheduled activities

#### Saturday, Sept. 9

7:30am—Men's Prayer Group, room 107  
10am—Women's Breakfast group, room 200

#### Sunday, Sept. 10: Rally Day!

10am—Worship/nursery  
11am—Individual prayer, prayer room  
11am-1pm—Activities, live music and food outside

Welcome to

### WHITE BEAR LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Visit [wblumc.org](http://wblumc.org) for weekly sermon podcasts, the  
church calendar and programming details.

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

<b>Sunday:</b>	9am to 12pm
<b>Monday:</b>	9am to 3pm (closed Sept. 4)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9am to 3pm
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9am to 3pm
<b>Thursday:</b>	9am to 3pm
<b>Friday:</b>	9am to 12pm
<b>Saturday:</b>	CLOSED

### SUNDAY BULLETIN

Please email information to [office@wblumc.org](mailto:office@wblumc.org) by  
**noon on Tuesdays**. Most events require a two-week  
lead time, but the earlier you get us the information,  
the more time we have to get the word out.

### WEEKLY E-BLAST

To receive our weekly email update, call  
651-429-9026 or email [office@wblumc.org](mailto:office@wblumc.org). Please  
submit church-related events or announcements by  
**3pm Wednesdays**. All e-blast and bulletin information  
is subject to staff approval.

### LIFESOURCE

If you're part of a group or ministry that plans to hold  
a church event this December 2017 through March  
2018, we want to help you spread the word. Photos  
from repeating events would be great! Please email  
info and photos to Lauri at [office@wblumc.org](mailto:office@wblumc.org).  
**NEXT DEADLINE: Tuesday, Nov. 21.**

# Next week! Rally Day 2017

Don't miss the fun!  
**Sunday, Sept. 10**

We'll have our annual  
**Blessing of the  
Backpacks** during  
**10am worship** —  
please bring a  
book to donate  
to Willow Lane  
Elementary.

Afterward kids can  
have fun with two  
bounce houses and  
cotton candy. All ages  
can enjoy pulled pork  
sandwiches with fresh  
buns from our brick ovens.

Special  
music during  
worship and  
at the picnic  
from guest  
band  
**The Barley  
Jacks!**

### Sign up now for fall programs!

Register your children and grandchildren online  
**TODAY** for youth and children's ministry programs  
that start **Sunday, Sept. 17**, and **Wednesday, Sept. 27**.  
Register at [wblumc.org](http://wblumc.org) on the youth ministry page for  
grades 6-12 and on the children's ministry page for  
younger kids. Contact [joan.hartman@wblumc.org](mailto:joan.hartman@wblumc.org) or  
[amy.mcgregor@wblumc.org](mailto:amy.mcgregor@wblumc.org) with questions.

### Be a hero: Teach Sunday school

Help support our church, brush up on your  
bible knowledge (or learn it for the first  
time!), and make your child or grandchild  
SO PROUD. It's only 8 Sundays a year, with  
ready-to-go lesson plans and all supplies.  
Contact [joan.hartman@wblumc.org](mailto:joan.hartman@wblumc.org) to  
find our more or to sign up.



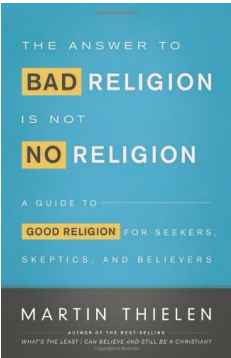


**WE NEED YOU:** The Search Team is collecting and assessing resumes and email questionnaires. The team is interviewing potential candidates but is taking it slowly to do this well based on your feedback in the spring. **WE NEED YOUR INVOLVEMENT!** Using the card with the bulletin, please submit names and contact information for anyone you know who might either be a strong candidate or might know a strong candidate. The Search Team will follow up, though you're welcome to mention it to them as well, using the card at the Welcome Desk.

**STUDENTS NEED YOU:** While the search continues, Amy McGrew is planning fall youth programming. The Congregational Survey revealed the desire for multi-generational interaction, so we need your direct involvement. Every child and teen needs a relationship with 5+ adults from church for their faith to stick past confirmation and graduation. Based on this, **WHO IS YOUR ONE** child or teen? Both youth ministry and children's ministry needs 12+ adults on Sunday mornings or Wednesday nights to help kids' faith stick. Joan and Amy can't do this alone! Use the card to let them know your interest and availability and/or someone you would recommend. Direct questions to Amy at [amy.mcgrew@wblumc.org](mailto:amy.mcgrew@wblumc.org) or in person on Sundays.

### Adult Faith Formation: "Good Religion" class

A growing number of Americans identify Christianity with religious fundamentalism and see it as a negative influence in the world. What are the negative aspects, and what would a good religion look like? Martin Thielen addresses these questions in *The Answer to Bad Religion is Not No Religion: A Guide to Religion for Seekers, Skeptics, and Believers*. A Monday evening study on this book will complement a Sunday morning sermon series this fall. Join us for an examination and discussion of what good religion looks like.



Sign up by writing it in on the Connection Card during worship or on the sheet in the narthex. Led by Bill Eaves. Meet in Room 200, **7-8:30pm Mondays, Sept. 18 & 25, Oct. 2 & 9**. Books available for purchase in the office for \$13.

### Dementia awareness talk + potluck

Retired pastor Jim Roe will present "A Journey to Wholeness: The Spiritual Experience of Dementia Caregiving" on Sunday, **Sept. 24, 5-7pm** with a potluck dinner in Fellowship Hall. Jim was primary caregiver for 10 years for his wife, who had Lewy Body Dementia, and he'll share what he has learned from research and from deeply spiritual personal experience.

### UMW fall program:

#### Personal Choices, Environmental Justice and the Gospel

What are the obstacles to building a world based on environmental justice? Can we start to convert our lives and join others on the paths that lead to peace on earth and peace with the earth?

All are welcome to join WBLUMC's United Methodist Women for their fall program featuring Rev. Sarah Lawton of Northeast United Methodist Church in Minneapolis, at 7pm on **Monday, Sept. 11**.



#### Two more UMW opportunities this fall

**District meeting:** UMW needs help accommodating out-of-town guests attending the Big Waters District UMW meeting Sept. 22-23. Friday night lodging/Saturday breakfast would be all you'd need to provide!

**Harvest Market co-chair:** Are you looking for a fun, short-term, project-based opportunity to serve the church? Co-chair the 2017 Harvest Market! The co-chair helps to publicize the event, coordinate the volunteers, and make sure the event runs smoothly on Saturday, Oct. 21.

If you're interested in either (or both!), please email UMW president Cheryl Larsen at [colarsen@comcast.net](mailto:colarsen@comcast.net).

#### Conversations on a Way Forward with Bishop Ough

This September-November, Bishop Ough will host 15 regional conversations across the Dakotas-Minnesota Area regarding the Commission on a Way Forward, formed to guide The United Methodist Church in finding a way through the four-decade-long divide in the church on the matter of homosexuality. The bishop encourages you to preregister for any regional gathering you'd like; the closest meetings will be at First UMC of the St. Cloud Region in Sartell on Sunday, Oct. 8, from 2:30-4:30pm, and at Centennial UMC in Roseville on Thursday, Nov. 2, from 6:30-8:30pm. Register at [mnumc-reg.brtapp.com/Bishop71](http://mnumc-reg.brtapp.com/Bishop71) or contact Sheilah Kyburz, [sheilah.kyburz@dkmnareaumc.org](mailto:sheilah.kyburz@dkmnareaumc.org) or 612-870-4007.

### Fall book club coming!

Do you love books and reading? If so, you are warmly invited to come and join us at Book Club this year. All church members and friends are welcome! Our first meeting will be **Monday, Sept. 25, 7-8:15pm** in the church library. We meet the fourth Monday monthly (December and May will be on the third Monday). You do not have to commit to the whole year; feel free to join us for any of the discussions. But once you come, you may find that all this year's selections sound good! We have a great mix of classic fiction, modern novels and non-fiction. Hope to see you!

**September's selection:** "Danzig: A Novel of Political Intrigue" by William Walker. 2015. 508p.

**Oct. 23:** "The Girl in the Tangerine Scarf" by Mohja Kahf. 2005. 448p.

**Nov. 27:** "Hidden Figures" by Margot Lee Shetterly. 2015. 368p.

**Dec.18:** "The Other Einstein: A Novel" by Marie Benedict. 2016. 304p.

The full year's list and reviews will be published in the weekly e-blast and in the upcoming LifeSource.