

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, Aug. 13

10am—Outdoor worship; nursery
11am—Coffee/tea, doughnuts, fellowship
11am—Individual prayer, prayer room
5pm—Saints baseball game, CHS Field

Monday, Aug. 14

Limited office hours today! Please call first, 651-429-9026
10am—Hang Loose Al-Anon, room 200

Tuesday, Aug. 15

12:30pm—Faith in Action, room 200
6pm—Board of Directors, room 200
7pm—Worship Committee, library

Wednesday, Aug. 16

10:45am-1:30pm—Office closed for off-site staff meeting
1pm—Prayer Team, prayer room
2pm—Organ Committee, sanctuary
6pm—Tween & Teen Game Night

Thursday, Aug. 17

7:10am—Men's Breakfast Group, library
10am—Pages of Wisdom, room 107

Friday, Aug. 18

9am-noon—Church office open
12pm—UMW Sewing for Mission

Saturday, Aug. 19

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

Sunday, Aug. 20

10am—Outdoor worship; nursery
11am—Coffee/tea, doughnuts, fellowship

Women's golf group

Wednesday, Aug. 9:

Keller Golf Course, 2166 Maplewood Dr., 651-766-4170. Tee time: 12:45pm.

Cost: \$23/\$21 senior discount. To play, email Mary Cripe Sunday evening at suzary006@comcast.net by or contact Carol Effertz, 651-429-6023.



WB food shelf:

free farmer's markets

All are welcome!

Monday, Aug. 14: WB Area Senior Center, 2484 East County Road F, 11am-12:30pm

Saturdays, Aug. 19, Sept. 2 & 16, Oct. 7: Willow Lane Elementary, 3375 Willow Ave., 9:30-11:30am

Youth & Children's updates

Tween and Teen Game Night

This Wednesday is our LAST summer event for youth and children's ministries. The Confirmation and Connect Reunion (7-9th grades) has been re-scheduled to replace the Family Picnic Night, and broadened to a **Tween & Teen Game Night on Wednesday, Aug. 16, 6-7:30 pm**. This is for students going into 5th through 10th grades. Join Pastor Brooke, Amy and Joan for a variety of indoor and outdoor games, weather permitting. We'll provide dinner, please let Amy or Joan know after worship if you can make it!

Sign up for fall programming now!

Register your children and grandchildren online today for youth and children's ministry programming that will start Sunday, Sept. 17, and Wednesday, Sept. 27. Registration helps us update our database information so we can keep you informed; stay aware of allergies, special needs and concerns; and includes a media release and information about parental involvement during the year. Registration for grades 6-12 is on the youth ministry page of wblumc.org, while registration for children is on the children's ministry page. Questions about registration can be directed to joan.hartman@wblumc.org or amy.mcgregor@wblumc.org.

Can you host a UMW visitor?

We're looking for volunteers willing to provide a B&B for out-of-town guests overnight when WBLUMC hosts the Big Waters District annual UMW annual board meeting, Sept. 22-23. Hosts are asked to provide a place to sleep that Friday night plus Saturday morning breakfast. If you can host an attendee, please contact UMW president Cheryl Larsen, colarsen@comcast.net.

Choral scholar auditions

Auditions will be **Aug. 19 and 20** for WBLUMC's Choral Scholar Program, which seeks to foster undergraduate students on the verge of careers in vocal/choral/church music. All voice parts are welcome to apply. Four positions will be hired, one for each section of the choir. For an audition or more info, contact Matthew.Goinz@wblumc.org.

Bread class with Ross Safford

Join master baker Ross Safford 3-7pm on **Sunday, Aug. 20**, and learn how to make three different show-stopper breads. Simple ingredients can make for surprisingly wonderful bread to accompany any meal. Class includes dinner of pizza rollups and fresh fruit! Sign up in the narthex or online at wblumc.org/events/event-registration. Limited to 12 people; cost is \$30 per person.

Attention Wells Fargo account-holders

WBLUMC recently received a large donation through a Wells Fargo check, but there was no name on the check. Because of privacy rules, we can't find out through Wells Fargo who made the donation. If this may have come from *your* Wells Fargo account, please contact Financial Secretary Harry Jones or Director of Operations Patricia Kytola so your church records will correctly reflect this donation and to be sure it goes to the right fund. And thank you!

White Bear Lake

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NOURISHING THE HUNGERS OF LIFE

Outdoor Worship Sunday, August 13, 2017



WORDS FOR MEDITATION
"What's past is prologue." — William Shakespeare, The Tempest

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Wellspring Of Wisdom"

+OPENING HYMN

"Shall We Gather at the River"

Verse 1	Chorus	Verse 2	Verse 4
Shall we gather at the river Where bright angel feet have trod With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God	Yes we'll gather at the river The beautiful, the beautiful river Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God	On the margin of the river Washing up its silver spray We will talk and worship ever All the happy golden day	Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

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OPENING WORDS

God is within each of us, and not just during this hour or in this place. **We are God's temple; we are God's body.**

If every wall were to crumble, if every church were to decay, **Still God would be present through us.**

Nearer is God to us than our own breath. **Ours are the eyes which look out with compassion on the world.**

Ours are the ears which hear God's redemption of the world. **Ours are the mouths which speak of God's holiness and love. Let us continue to be God's temple wherever we are, whatever we do.**

MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE John 4: 5-19, 27-30 Reader: Sherrie Bloodgood

So Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."

The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

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.**

SERMON Everybody Has a Story: A Woman With A Past Pastor Brooke Heerwald Steiner

+HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

Verse 1	Refrain	Verse 2	Verse 4
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.	This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.	Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels, descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.	Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

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CONNECTION CARDS

OFFERING

"It Is Well With My Soul"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+CLOSING SONG

"I Saw the Light"

Verse 1	Refrain	Verse 2	Verse 3
I wandered so aimless, Life filled with sin, I wouldn't let my dear Savior in; Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night.	Praise the Lord! I saw the light. I saw the light, I saw the light, No more in darkness, no more in night; (And) now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight — Praise the Lord! I saw the light.	Just like a blind man, I wandered along, Worries and fears I claimed for my own; Then, like the blind man that God gave back his sight.	I was a fool to wander and stray, Straight is the gate and narrow the way; Now I have traded the wrong for the right

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+SENDING

+SENDING MUSIC

This week's musicians

Vocals: **Matthew Goinz and the Chancel Choir**

Keyboards and sound technician: **John Koziol**

Fall worship times are changing!

This fall, we will return to two services, but they'll be at new times. Our two worship services will be at **9am traditional/ blended worship** and **10:45am band-led worship starting Sunday, Sept. 17.**

The pastors, staff, leadership, and worship committee have been in conversation to maximize our service times to make them as accessible as possible to current worshipers and guests. We think this will be a good schedule to fit the needs of our current worshipping community and a better fit for the desires of those in the community we hope to reach as well. **Today after worship, please join us for a Q&A session to answer your questions or voice your comments about this change.**

