

## Something to ponder

Can you name a time when you have traveled with God and have been surprised?  
Surprised enough to change the way you thought and acted?  
Write down or draw your experience and share it with someone else.



As our Lord Jesus Christ calls us to love and accept every person,  
White Bear Lake United Methodist Church welcomes into our life together  
those of every age, race, ethnic background, nationality, gender identity, sexual orientation,  
family or socioeconomic status, educational background, and physical or mental ability.  
In our commitment to the reconciliation of all persons as beloved children of God,  
we celebrate our diversity and recognize the sacred worth and dignity of all.  
We invite you to join us in our faith journey toward discipleship in Christ  
with mutual respect, understanding, and love.

# 9am Worship ~ Children's / Youth Sunday, April 28, 2019

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

### WORDS FOR REFLECTION

“Things we lose have a way of coming back to us in the end, if not always in the way we expect.”

~ *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*

“Two roads diverged in a wood, and I —  
I took the one less traveled by,  
And that has made all the difference.”

~ *Robert Frost*

PRELUDE

“Adagio Cantabile Sonata No. 8”

Beethoven

Isaac Hartman, piano

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

“I Walk By Faith”

Children’s Choir; George Hartman, drums

♣ OPENING WORDS (responsively)

Dear Jesus, we recognize that you are far and wide, frequently in places that are surprising.

**Show us your light in places of doubt, in the faces of friends who are walking through  
the shadows of life, and in the paths of our seeking and questioning.**

Teach us to be your light of love for one another and for the world around us.

**Help us to see you and get to know you like a close friend.**

Guide us as we travel down the road of life.

**May we choose to share your love, light and joy with the world, in Jesus name. Amen.**

**Prayer at WBLUMC:** One way our church helps 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 from this team, please write it on a prayer request card or email Dave Hegdahl at shegdahld2@comcast.net.

**The Email Prayer Chain** accepts requests by contacting a pastor or leader Ronda Nelson, rondalauva2@msn.com.



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+OPENING HYMN

“Sanctuary”

No. 2164

Led by Middle School/High School Youth Singers

UNISON PRAYER

God, the Lord who welcomes all: Thank you for sending us surprises that change our lives. Sometimes it is hard to see how joy can come out of sorrow, but thank you for walking with us down every path we take. Hear our thankful prayers for the surprises you send our way and the friendship you share with us every day. Amen.

ANTHEM

“Get Down”

Children’s Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

“Five Finger Prayer”

After the children’s message, children and youth will stay with their families for the rest of worship. Sunday School will return next week, on May 5.

MORNING PRAYER

10,000 Reasons to Be Thankful

Interactive prayer activity

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord’s Prayer is a praise sandwich: The prayer begins and ends with praise. In between are the personal requests that we make for ourselves.

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.

SCRIPTURE

“On the Road to Emmaus”: Luke 24: 13-35

Readers: Will Jenkins, Gretchen Draves and Danica Draves

Three days after Jesus died, Cleopas and his friend were slowly walking down the road to Emmaus. They were walking slowly because they felt very sad. “Why did Jesus have to die?” they wondered. After a while, a stranger began to walk along with them. The stranger was really Jesus, but Cleopas and his friend didn’t know it. “What are you talking about?” the stranger asked.

The men looked at each other. “Are you the only person in town who doesn’t know what happened?” they asked. They told the stranger what had happened to Jesus.

“Jesus was a great teacher, our friend,” Cleopas said. “We hoped he was the one God promised would save the world, but instead he died on a cross! We took Jesus’ body down and put it in a tomb. This morning, our friends went to the tomb, but Jesus’ body was gone! They said there was an angel there instead! The angel told our friends, ‘Jesus is alive,’ but ...”

“Stop being silly!” the stranger said. “How many times do you need to hear this? It was God’s plan for Jesus to die and become alive again to save the world!”

By now, they were almost to Emmaus. Cleopas invited the stranger to stay for dinner. During dinner, the stranger picked up a loaf of bread, broke it, blessed it, and gave each man a piece. All of sudden, Cleopas and his friend recognized the stranger. It was Jesus, but then Jesus disappeared! Cleopas and his friend jumped up, ran from the room, and went to tell the rest of Jesus’ disciples that Jesus was really alive. God kept another promise!

~ Spark Bible Story

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

Pastor Bill Eaves

+HYMN

“Lord I Lift Your Name on High”

No. 2088

Sing twice through

CONNECTION CARDS

Please take time now to fill out your green connection cards to help us track attendance. After the prayer of dedication, you may place them in the offering plates as they are passed to you.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

“I Will Trust in You”

Led by Middle School/High School Youth Singers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+CLOSING HYMN

“Hymn of Promise”

No. 707

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

“Spring Comes Early”

by Mark Hayes

IN MEMORIAM

One white rose on the altar is in remembrance of WBLUMC member Carole Bosse Johnson, who died on April 13. Carole is survived by her husband John Johnson and her mother Beverly Bosse. Carole’s funeral was Friday, April 26, at WBLUMC. Prayers for the family are appreciated.

A second white rose is in remembrance of longtime WBLUMC member Edward L. Bruns, who died on April 17. Ed is survived by wife Randi and their family. There will be a visitation at Keystone Place, 14602 Finale Ave. N in Hugo, on Monday, April 29, from 3-6pm with a short prayer service at 4pm. In lieu of flowers please give to your favorite charity.

Dorcas Circle: Bundles of Love

At Dorcas Circle’s May meeting we will be learning about Bundles of Love, a Minnesota non-profit group that partners with community organizations to assist Minnesota families in need by providing handmade items for newborn babies. Their vision is a world where every newborn has access to the basics. All are welcome to join us on **Wednesday, May 8**, at 9:45am in room 200.

Sunday, April 28: Youth Sunday

9-10am—Worship; nursery  
10am—Coffee, tea and treats, Fellowship Hall  
10:45-11:30am—Worship; Children’s Church & nursery

Monday, April 29

10-11am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, room 206  
6:30-8pm—Yearnings discussion group, room 206

Tuesday, April 30

6pm—YogaDevotion, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 1

6-8pm—Alleluia Ringers, sanctuary  
6:30pm—Children/Youth picnic for students and families  
7-9pm—Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, May 2

7:10am—Men’s Breakfast Group, library  
10am—Pages of Wisdom AA, room 107  
11:30am-1pm—Up All Night social justice group, room 206  
6pm—YogaDevotion for Men, Fellowship Hall

Friday, May 3

Office closed; no activities scheduled

Saturday, May 4

7:30am—Men’s Prayer Group, room 200  
10am—WBL Sat. Morning Women’s Group, room 200/206

Sunday, May 5

9-10am—Worship; Sunday school & nursery  
10am—Coffee, tea, and treats in Fellowship Hall  
10:10am—All-Church Conference  
10:45-11:30am—Worship; Children’s Church & nursery

Monday, May 6

10-11am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, room 206  
3:30-5pm—UMW Board meeting, room 200

Tuesday, May 7

10:30am-noon—Staff meeting, room 206  
6pm—YogaDevotion, Fellowship Hall

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.  
Our vision is to provide nourishment  
for the hungers of life.

REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Sunday	9am to 12pm
Monday-Thursday	9am to 3pm
Friday and Saturday	CLOSED

SUNDAY BULLETIN/WEEKLY E-BLAST  
Have a church-related event you’d like to appear in the Sunday bulletin or the weekly e-blast? Please email all pertinent information, including contact information, to office@wblumc.org no later than **1pm Tuesday** for the bulletin and **10am Wednesday** for the e-blast. All information is subject to staff approval. Thank you!  
To receive the weekly email update — sent every Thursday — call the office at 651-429-9026, email your request to office@wblumc.org or indicate it on a connection card.  
Visit **wblumc.org** for sermon podcasts, PDFs of the 9am bulletins, the church calendar and programming info.

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FREE COMMUNITY EVENT - ALL ARE WELCOME

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP FEATURING

# Country Music Then & Now

Come explore the roots and the spirit, the sacred and the secular, of country music with the country rock band Hitchville and the works of country artists from George Strait to Carrie Underwood.

Sunday, May 12  
10:45 am  
(Music starts at 10:30)

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FEATURING THE MUSIC OF COUNTRY ROCK BAND

## Hitchville



# God loves **all** people. So do we.

**“I am part of the movement to protest the recent decision of the United Methodist Church about inclusion of all within our denomination because I believe in a God who loves all and in the model of Jesus as someone who stood up for the disenfranchised against the powers of his time. The more I participate in Bible studies, the more I hear the call to stand up against injustice in our world.”**

*~ Barb Hinz, WBLUMC congregant*

## Board of Directors candidates

On **Saturday, May 5**, we'll have an All-Church Conference between services to elect three Board of Directors members to serve from July 2019 to June 2022. The following people have been nominated and have agreed to serve if elected: Virginia (Ginger) Davis, Margie Grilley, Gerry Keith, Randy LaFoy, and Al Rausch. You're urged to join us at 10:10am to elect our new board members.

## BeFriends: A caring ministry

We all experience the feeling of loss or transition at one time or another, or we just have a lot going on in life. BeFriends are trained laypersons who enter into confidential, caring relationships at times of special need by offering emotional and spiritual support. A BeFriender relationship can last a short time or longer. BeFriends are there just to listen. They are also responsible for supplying the Care Notes in the hallway near the narthex, which you may find helpful for yourself or someone you know. For information, please contact Roberta Schmidt, 651-653-0067; Barb Hinz, 651-777-0465; or speak to one of the ministers.

## Men's golf group

The Men's Golf group will make its first outing at 1pm **Tuesday, April 30**, at Gem Lake Hills. To be included, contact Paul Steffek at [pncsteff@aol.com](mailto:pncsteff@aol.com) or 920-493-2657.

## Women's casual golf group

You're invited to join us for a social round of nine holes on Wednesdays starting **May 15**. We set a schedule of a different course weekly, and tee times are based on how many women indicate they can play that week. Look for a weekly course update in the bulletin and e-blast. After playing, those who can stay will gather for a beverage. Contact Mary Cripe at [suzary006@comcast.net](mailto:suzary006@comcast.net) to play!

## Spring anyone?

We'd love some new members to help tend one of the beds that surround and beautify our church. For information or to join, contact Linda Anderson at [ljranderson@comcast.net](mailto:ljranderson@comcast.net).

Help UMW celebrate 150 years

The women of White Bear Lake United Methodist Church invite you to join them **Saturday, May 11**, as United Methodist Women across the world are celebrating 150 years – and counting! — of women in mission. Here at WBLUMC, our United Methodist Women are proudly celebrating 54 years. The day's events will include a short business meeting at 10am, followed by a presentation at 10:30am by Linda Kotschevar, Minnesota Conference UMW Social Action Mission Coordinator, speaking on Childhood and Maternal Healthcare. A light lunch will be served at 11:30am with time to get to know each other and share stories about how UMW has played a part in our church or your life. Come for all or part of the day — everyone is welcome. We'll collect donations for the White Bear food shelf. RSVP to Eva Shipley 651-429-3570 or [shipley.41@comcast.net](mailto:shipley.41@comcast.net)



Join us for these special events

## “Old Turtle” choral presentation

**7pm Sunday, May 19**

WBLUMC's Chancel Choir and the White Bear Lake Unitarian Universalist choir will present Joseph Martin's *Song of*



*Wisdom from Old Turtle*. While the choral work is a setting of the children's book *Old Turtle* by Douglas Wood, the heart of the message has deep implications for adults as well. Scored for orchestra, choir and narrator, it begins by telling of the old days when the animals ruled the earth. One by one, the animals present their interpretation of God and the nature of God. You guessed it: no one can agree on one interpretation. Eventually, the arguing leads to destruction and bloodshed. Old turtle, the central character narrated by our own Peteria Cochran-Routt, attempts to create peace by giving value to all the interpretations of God. What happens in the end? Come find out!

## BreadX Talk: The Loons of White Bear Lake

**6:30pm Wednesday, May 8**

Our next guest speaker will be longtime White Bear Lake resident and lake lover, Judge Ellen Maas. Judge Maas was born in Stuttgart, Germany, and after returning to the United States grew up on White Bear Lake. She has



served both Anoka and Washington County, where she is presently the most senior judge in the Tenth Judicial District. Judge Maas has many passions, including music (she is a bassoonist with 6 orchestras and a woodwind quintet); gardening; and photography, with a special focus on her beloved loons. “Loons of White Bear Lake” will again be on exhibit at WBLUMC from the end of April through May and will feature prominently in her presentation on May 8. Join us for her BreadX Talk and a light supper; all are welcome!

## Brick-oven bread on May 5

May's Baking with a Purpose breads will be five-grain multi-grain and oatmeal cinnamon raisin. Loaves will be available after each service on **Sunday, May 5**, on a first-come, first-served basis. May donations will go to Meals on Wheels.