

Hidden in plain sight

Our eyes see what and who is surrounding us, however vision is quite different. When something catches our eye it’s referred to as “eye-catching” or an “eye-opener.” When we lack vision it’s an “oversight” rather than “insight” or “foresight.” Vision is a means of seeing, post-a-noting or recalling what is valued. Jesus said our eyes are a window to our heart. And caring for humanity is the heart of Jesus.

Sometimes we lose sight of things we need. At super speed we retrace our places and pockets hoping what we presumed to be hidden may somehow flash into sight. It happens with keys, phones and papers, and we often lose sight of more notable things that actually sustain us. Ancient stories remind us of the someone’s, the no names and the anonymous ones who hold a rich place in history. Here are a few that come to mind: remember a boy and a crowd who share a few fish and bread eliciting a miracle lunch; the disciples who brought the donkey for Jesus’ royal ride into Jerusalem and a servant girl who led Naaman to nurturing waters. Last, but not even least, we can never forget the unnamed friends who lugged a stretcher to Jesus enabling a nameless man to be healed. These someones matter even though with their ordinary days, like our keys and phones, they can become hidden in plain sight. Someones matter to us and as we recollect, everyone matters to our immense Creator.

The WBLUMC Sightlines Prayer Project will begin again July 2-Aug. 31. The inspiration for this project began years ago when Prayer Team members began to arrive at

some of the conclusions you may have noticed. We began to see the subtle signs of endearing comfort people expressed when they were cared for by a prayer. Call this recognition slightly simple or mysteriously complex, but as a team we were grounded in our small group’s mission by the touching responses we received when others were aware God was a part of our desire for their strength. Clearly, it was not our intention for their whole-ness, but rather God with us in the hope for their whole-ness. Our first Sightline Prayer Project began the summer of 2014. This year’s mission or vision is the same, to keep another in the line of your sight over the months of July and August each day.

Please consider praying this summer when our schedules can place one another out of sight. This is how: One person offers a short, simple grace for another person’s wholeness to God’s compassionate power. You can be anywhere — exercising, in your chair, at your desk or on vacation. Prayers do not need to be long, specific or flowery. Pray in the style that fits you and God. It is simple to join Sightlines by speaking to a Prayer Team member, registering at the welcome table or sending an email to ljjacot@q.com or shegdahld2@comcast.net. Keep one person near this summer; try Sightlines and let a simple grace spill over into your summer. Nurture a sightline for another person and see someone who might just be hidden in plain sight.

Today is Father’s Day! Keep Dads and people who affirm and support you in your sight! Happy Day!

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, ljjacot@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. **The Phone Prayer Chain** is organized through the UMW. Call Eva Shipley if you would like to request a prayer at 651-429-3570.

STAFF		
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John McBride , Associate Pastor	Peteria Cochran Routt , Director of Traditional Music	Lori Hughes , Website & Social Media
	John Koziol, Jr. Director of Music	Tom Leiser , Treasurer
	Matthew Goinz , Chancel Choir Director	Harry Jones , Financial Secretary
		Ron Houde , Housekeeper



10am Worship Sunday, June 18, 2017 Father's Day

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

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

“Justice and power must be brought together, so that whatever is just may be powerful, and whatever is powerful may be just.” ~ Blaise Pascal

PRELUDE “Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen” Traditional Spiritual
Matt Goinz, vocals

“You’ve Got a Friend”/ “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”
James Taylor/Scriven/Converse, arr. Koziol
Matt Goinz and Peteria Cochran Routt, vocals

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP “Here I Am to Worship” Tim Hughes

+OPENING WORDS (responsively)
Come together everyone and bring your stories and sing our songs and share in the Spirit.
Let our feelings paint the sky like a rainbow of banners and balloons.

Let our thoughts fill the air and come to life like a song that sets the whole world dancing.
And let even the silence speak with a thousand voices in tribute to our loving, living God.

Let us worship God together in celebration of all that God has done.

+OPENING HYMN “Holy, Holy, Holy” No. 64

UNISON PRAYER

O God, we realize you do not call us to be successful in the marketplace; you call us to be faithful as disciples of Jesus. You do not call us to achievement in work, but to responsible living. You do not call us to make a great fortune, but to labor for your reign. Guide us into greater understanding of your priorities. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

After the message, children and youth through 8th grade are invited to leave for Sunday school.

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.

SCRIPTURE Luke 18:1-8 Reader: Evelyn Ferris

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said: “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’ ”

And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

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.

ANTHEM “Let Justice Flow Like a River” Marty Haugen
Matt Goinz, vocals

MESSAGE The Parable of the Widow & Unjust Judge Pastor John McBride

+HYMN “Here I Am, Lord” No. 593

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 “God Bless the Child” Billie Holiday
Matt Goinz, vocals

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+CLOSING HYMN “I’m Gonna Live so God Can Use Me” No. 2153

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE “Father and Son” Cat Stevens

<p>ALTAR FLOWERS</p> <p>This week’s flowers are provided by Peteria and Andy Routt in celebration of their fourth wedding anniversary.</p>	<p>IN MEMORIAM</p> <p>WBLUMC member Loren McLean died suddenly on June 13. A memorial service will be held at First Baptist Church, 499 Wacouta St. in St. Paul on Thursday, June 22, at 6:30pm. Loren was an ordained minister in the Baptist Church. Loren and his wife, June, are members here as are some other family. Please hold them in prayer.</p>	<p>MUSICIANS</p> <p>Matt Goinz and Peteria Cochran Routt, vocals</p> <p>John Koziol, piano</p> <p>Peteria Cochran Routt, organ</p> <p>Eric Bakke, sound tech</p>
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Sunday, June 18
10am—Worship/nursery; Sunday school
11am—Coffee/tea, doughnuts, fellowship
11am—Individual prayer, prayer room

Monday, June 19
10am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, room 206
7-8:30pm—Hearts and Hands knitting group, library

Tuesday, June 20
12:30-1:45pm—Faith In Action, library
6pm—YogaDevotion class, Fellowship Hall
6-8pm—Board of Directors, room 200

Wednesday, June 21
1-2:30pm—Prayer Team, prayer room

Thursday, June 22
7:10am—Men’s Breakfast Group, library
9am-3pm—The Gathering, room 200
10am—Pages of Wisdom, room 107
10-11:30am—Memory loss support group, library

Friday, June 23
No scheduled activities; office open 9am-noon

Saturday, June 24
7:30am—Men’s Prayer Group, room 107
10am—Women’s Breakfast group, room 200

Sunday, June 25
10am—Worship/nursery; Sunday school
11am—Coffee/tea, doughnuts, fellowship
11am—Individual prayer, prayer room

Welcome to
WHITE BEAR LAKE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Visit wblumc.org for weekly sermon podcasts, the church calendar and programming details.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Sunday:	9am to 12pm
Monday:	9am to 3pm
Tuesday:	9am to 3pm
Wednesday:	9am to 3pm
Thursday:	9am to 3pm
Friday:	9am to 12pm
Saturday:	CLOSED

SUNDAY BULLETIN
Please email information to 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. 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 on a team that plans to hold a church event this June through September, we want to help you get the word out. Photos from repeating events would also be great! Please email information and photos to Lauri at office@wblumc.org. **The next issue will be available by June 9.**

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTINUES!

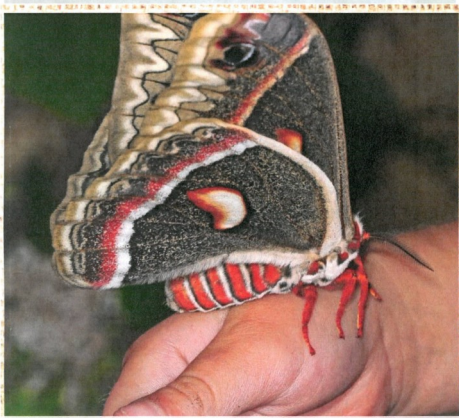
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at 10:00 am



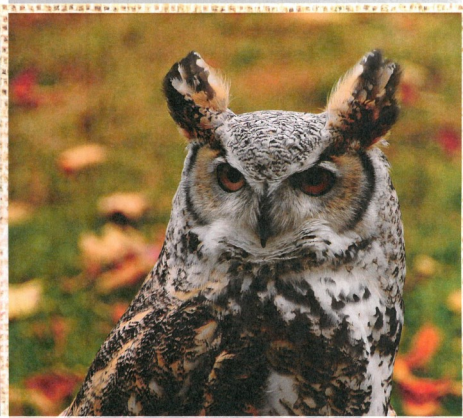
4th - Amazing Invertebrates



11th - Reptiles & Amphibians



18th- Bruce the Bug Guy



25th- U of M Raptor Center



Women's Golf Group

Any women interested in golfing are invited to join us every Wednesday afternoon at local courses.

June 21: Castlewood, 7050 Scandia Trail N, Forest Lake; 651-464-6233. To get the tee time, email Mary Cripe at suzary006@comcast.net by Sunday evening or call Carol Effertz, 651-429-6023.

Yoga class

The summer yoga session will be June 13-July 25, on Tuesdays 6-7pm in Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$48 for 6 weeks. (No classes on July 4 or in August.) If you would like to join this class or want more information, contact Carolyn at 651-779-0311 or tersay@msn.com.

WELCOME!

Our new pastor starts next week!

Don't miss the chance to meet and welcome new senior pastor Bill Eaves and his wife Sherry Jordon. Coming to us from Anoka United Methodist Church, Bill's first Sunday with WBLUMC will be June 25. After the 10am service, our dedicated Bread Oven Team will serve hot, tasty caramel rolls with Fair Trade coffee, tea and the usual goodies. Join us in Fellowship Hall and be a part of starting this next chapter in our church!

A note from Pastor Bill Eaves

Dear Friends,
I'm looking forward to starting as your new senior pastor on Sunday, June 25. I wanted to make you aware of my schedule and some plans that I had made months ago (before this change of appointment had become a possibility). I plan to be in the office the week of June 26, to have my first meeting with the staff, and to meet with the Leadership Board and other groups that may be scheduled for that week. On June 30, Sherry and I will be leaving for Prague and then going to Budapest with some stops in between. I will be back in the office on July 19. I'm grateful to our staff for covering during that time. I usually share pictures from my travels on Facebook and Instagram, and I invite you to follow our travels that way.

— Pastor Bill



St. Paul Saints game

See the St. Paul Saints take on the Sioux Falls Canaries at CHS Field in downtown St. Paul at 5pm on **Sunday, Aug. 13**. Families, friends, singles, couples — all are welcome! Tickets are \$15 for adults (18+) and \$10 for children (2-17). Kids under 2 are free. Online payment preferred at wblumc.org/events/event registration. Payments are due by **July 10**. Contact Jeremy Steiner, jeremy@steinermn.com.

June food shelf requests

Almost everyone wants to eat healthier, and the neighbors who rely on the food shelf are no different. In June, we're collecting whole-grain pasta and brown rice items for donation to the White Bear Area Emergency Food Shelf. You may leave your donations in the collection bin in the Fellowship Hall, and a volunteer with the food shelf will deliver them at the end of the month. Thank you for your generosity!

2017 contemporary quilt challenge: Big and Small

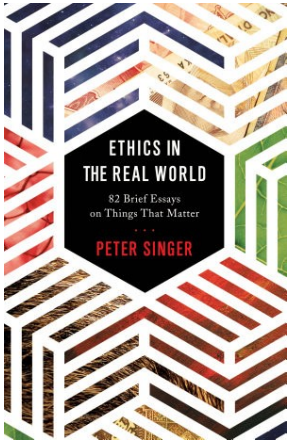
The Minnesota Contemporary Quilters, a creative group of amateur and professional quilters and fiber artists, explores humanity's love of tiny things — babies, kittens, miniatures — and huge things like monster pumpkins or the biggest boar at the State Fair. See how the artists interpret these contrasts in the quilts that will hang in our hallways through July 3. And our thanks to Mary Ellen Calderwood for bringing them to our church!

Takeaways from Precious Water event

If you have concerns about water quality and mining in Minnesota, more information is available at the MCEA website. MCEA stands for Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy. Contacting your members of the state Legislature does make a difference. Contacting state legislators is most effective at the time a bill is being considered.

Tuesdays at 2: "Ethics in the Real World"

Join us to read and discuss "Ethics in the Real World" by Peter Singer. Singer has been referred to as the world's most influential philosopher as well as one of its most controversial. In this book, he tackles big issues like climate change, poverty, animals, the sale of kidneys, and whether we should outlaw smoking. A collection of 82 essays will certainly give us something to talk about! Contact Pastor Brooke with questions or sign up online.



Get gardening

There are still a few plots left in the community gardens. Call Larry or Denise Kerr at 651-484-6092 to see what's available and get your Garden Agreement and Application. Plots are still only \$20 each.