

Standing up for change

Our community has always hoped to be a community that grows nearer to the infused Spirit of God. From our mission of feeding the hungers of life to professing after reading scripture “the word of God in scripture, the word of God among us and the word of God within us,” we pray and persevere to be an evolving creation expanded by God. Within this evolution there are most certainly times we stand up and take measured steps forward, backward, sideways and even unknown. Churches are patterned much like life and we desire to find places to stand where our lives are written openly. Soon friends on our staff will depart and change will come. We will welcome others and the ones who stood here with us will be welcomed elsewhere. What won’t ever change is that Spirit is with us wherever we stand and we are mirrored in community.

The book of John compresses the hope of evolving together and individually: “All things came into being through the Creator... and what has come into being is what is life and what is light for all people ... The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not overcome it.”

If we traipse and travel lightly in and with this line of life-giving thinking, there is potential to allow Light and Life to give definition to corner, shape and nudge the edges and events of life. Life is encompassed in patterns of light and shadow — it holds us breathless in an exhilarating celebration, paused in uneasy question and open to the things and people we gift pardon and more purposeful, lenient boundaries to. We find times on the sidelines to renew and others to stand. We are expanded by folks who we bid a goodbye to because we have shared a common purpose. We stand apart and yet, together.

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 contact Julie Jacot at 651-777-3728 or [ljjacot@q.com](mailto:ljjacot@q.com).

**The Email Prayer Chain** accepts requests by contacting a pastor or leader Ronda Nelson, [rondalauva2@msn.com](mailto:rondalauva2@msn.com).

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

Recall our Teacher in a time of change. Jesus, who had a Bethlehem beginning, lit a heaven-sent, holy man’s calling into what we now know now to be an unending ministry. His first day on the job began long before.

The day Jesus stood up is reverently recorded: “It was Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.’ ”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?”

We ponder did the scroll quiver as Jesus read or did He sigh as He sat imagining what possibly may come to pass? Underscoring this beginning, Jesus understood he carried “the Spirit of the Lord upon him.” We do too. All things come into being through this Spirit and what has come into being is what life and what is light. Might you all have a time to stand up in the bend of your being. Amen.

— J.Jacot



10am Summer Worship ~ Sunday, June 3, 2018

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

WORDS FOR REFLECTION

“There are darkneses in life and there are lights, and you are one of the lights, the light of all lights.”  
~ Bram Stoker, *Dracula*

“We’ve all got both light and dark inside us. What matters is the part we choose to act on.  
That’s who we really are.”  
~ J.K. Rowling, *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*

“To shine your brightest light is to be who you truly are.” ~ Roy T. Bennett

PRELUDE

“Go Light Your World” Chris Rice  
“This Is Me” B. Pasek and J. Paul

WELCOME

+OPENING WORDS (responsively)  
Our lives are a journey, and the road goes ever on.  
**A road that began with our birth, that winds its way through meadows and mountains, that crosses rivers and canyons.**  
For the bread that has sustained us on our journey, and for the guides who have led us, we offer thanks and praise, O God.  
**In the landscape of your abounding love we know there are paths leading into tomorrows yet unfathomed.**

There are days ahead when all your children shall walk upon a green and fruitful earth, unafraid of war, untroubled by pain or loneliness.  
**Help us to shape such a world, here in this place, and outside these doors. Amen.**

+OPENING HYMN “For the Beauty Of the Earth” No. 92

UNISON PRAYER

**God, you are the author of our lives. By writing us into the story of your creation, you have shared a great gift—life in all its dimensions. For the joys and sorrows, for the smiles and tears, for health and suffering, for belief and doubt, we praise you. May your Spirit guide us in this life, and in the life that knows no end. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*After the children’s 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	John 8:12	Reader: Marcia Faust
Jesus spoke to the people again, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me won’t walk in darkness but will have the light of life.”		

	Matthew 5:14-16	Readers: Joe and Laura Moore
You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house.		

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your God in heaven.

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	You Are the Light of the World Pastor Brooke Heerwald Steiner
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ANTHEM	“Light of the World”	Stephen Schwartz
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CONNECTION CARDS

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING	“Time to Say Goodbye”	Francesco Sartori
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FAREWELL TO PASTOR BROOKE HEERWALD STEINER	Heather Broneak & Jack McClure Staff Parish Relations Committee
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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (in unison)

**Creator God, as we say farewell to Brooke and her family we entrust them into your care. We pray for happiness and joy to be ahead of them, for wisdom and guidance to be beside them, and for grace and truth to be behind them, pushing them onwards into your goodness. We know that you, and this congregation, will always love and support them, wherever they go. Amen.**

SUNG BLESSING	“An Irish Blessing” Chancel choir and piano	Traditional Keyboard arr. Lori Line
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

+HYMN	“I Saw the Light”	Hank Williams
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+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE	“We Are Family”	N. Rodgers/B Edwards
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	ALTAR FLOWERS
Today’s arrangement is provided by Sherry Jordon and Bill Eaves in honor of Brooke, Jeremy, Annabelle, Anderson and Sawyer.	

	NEW BABY
A pink carnation is on the altar to welcome Francesca Janice Lantto. She was born May 20 to Anna Lantto and Derek Manthei. She joins big brother Calvin.	

	TODAY'S MUSICIANS
<b>WBLUMC Chancel Choir; Peteria Cochran Routt</b> , Organ and Piano; <b>Matt Goinz</b> and <b>Laurel Kaeferlein</b> , vocals; <b>Kris Stauffer</b> , bass and vocals; <b>Jay Graf</b> , guitar and vocals; <b>Steve Lyons</b> , percussion; <b>John Koziol</b> , keyboards; <b>Bernie Kaeferlein</b> , sound technician; <b>Mary Hullsiek</b> , PowerPoint presenter	



## WELCOME POTS

“If I had a single flower for every time I think of you, I could walk forever in my garden.”  
~*Claudia Adrienne Grandi*

The flower urns at the church’s south entrance have been given by Ruth and Dick Brink in honor of the Prayer Team. The pots at the east entrance are offered by an anonymous donor and by Dale and Jan Johnson in memory of our gardener and friend, Mort Olson.

## WBLUMC calendar

### Sunday, June 3

10-11am—Summer worship; nursery open  
10am—Children’s Church, downstairs theater  
11am—Individual prayer, prayer room  
11:30am—Pizza party for Pastor Brooke, Fellowship Hall

### Monday, June 4

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

### Tuesday, June 5

10:30am-noon—Staff meeting, room 206  
6pm—Yoga class, Fellowship Hall  
6pm—Bikes, burgers & beverages, offsite

### Wednesday, June 6

No scheduled activities; office open 9am-3pm

### Thursday, June 7

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

### Friday, June 8

No scheduled activities; office closed.

### Saturday, June 9

7:30am—Men’s Prayer Group, room 200  
10am—WBL Sat. Morning Women’s Group, room 107

### Sunday, June 10

10-11am—Summer worship; nursery open  
10am—Children’s Church, downstairs theater  
11am—Coffee, tea and treats, Fellowship Hall  
Individual prayer, prayer room

### Monday, June 11

10am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, room 206  
1-3pm—UMW Sarah Circle picnic, Fellowship Hall  
7-9pm—Staff-Parish Relations Committee, room 206

### Tuesday, June 12

6pm—Yoga class, Fellowship Hall  
6:30pm—Trustees meeting, room 107

## Welcome to WHITE BEAR LAKE 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

<b>Sunday:</b>	9am to 12pm
<b>Monday-Thursday</b>	9am to 3pm
<b>Friday-Saturday</b>	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](mailto:office@wblumc.org) no later than **1pm Tuesday** for the bulletin and **1pm 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](mailto: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.

## STAFF

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# Saying farewell

Join us to thank Pastor Brooke Heerwald Steiner for all she has brought to WBLUMC in her time here and to wish her well as she becomes pastor of Excelsior UMC. We’ll miss Brooke as well as Jeremy, Annabelle, Anderson and Sawyer!  
**Pizza, fruit, family fun and more start at 11:30am today in Fellowship Hall.**



## New Sermon Series June 10–July 29

# Provocative Stories of Jesus

Jesus told stories to make a point, to draw pictures in the minds and hearts of his listeners, and to provoke a response. As with all good stories, the parables of Jesus are rich with meaning.

Through the centuries we have often reduced them to platitudes or simple moral lessons. Beginning June 10, we’ll look at these stories through the eyes of those who heard them first, the mostly Jewish crowds who were attracted to Jesus and his teaching.

We’ll discover that these provocative stories of Jesus can still surprise us, shake us up, indict us, and open us up to multiple interpretations that prompt us to see the world in new ways.

**June 10** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: Lost

**June 17** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: Good Samaritan

**June 24** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: Yeast

**July 1** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: The Widow and the Judge

**July 8** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: Mustard Seed

**July 15** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: The Pharisee and the Tax Collector

**July 22** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: The Rich Man and Lazarus

**July 29** — Provocative Stories of Jesus: Pearl of Great Price



## Manitou Days

WBLUMC's Bread Ministry is trying something new for this year's Manitou Days event starting at 8am on **Saturday, June 16**. Instead of serving free pizza during the garage sale next door, the team will set up two stations at the parking lot entrances off Pine Street and offer loaves of multi-grain bread for suggested donation of \$5, which will go to the White Bear Area Emergency Food Shelf.

**We need volunteers!** Please indicate on the connection card if you can help, or email Glenn Oliphant at [golipha@gmail.com](mailto:golipha@gmail.com).

## Got firewood?

The bread ovens are getting low on oak firewood. If you have extra firewood or know of a source who might, email Glenn Oliphant at [golipha@gmail.com](mailto:golipha@gmail.com). Thanks!



## Free farmers markets

The White Bear Area Emergency Food Shelf will offer its Free Summer Farmers Markets again this year at Willow Lane Elementary School on Saturdays and Redeemer Lutheran Church on Tuesdays. All are invited to come and pick up free produce. For more information, email Kristen Wanta at [kristen@whitebearfoodshelf.org](mailto:kristen@whitebearfoodshelf.org) or check out the website at [whitebearfoodshelf.org](http://whitebearfoodshelf.org).

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Fun summer outings!



## Bikes, burgers & beverages

Ride the Gateway Trail and enjoy food at Roma's afterward. All welcome to ride on **Tuesday, June 5**, and **Tuesday, June 12**. We'll start at 6pm from Mahtomedi Ball Field parking lot. Organized by Dawn Kittleson, Dave Bennett and John McBride. RSVP needed! Sign up in the narthex or email [mcbride.johnr@gmail.com](mailto:mcbride.johnr@gmail.com).

## "Bread" Talks

**Feed the body, feed the mind.** Light supper and a short presentation by guest speakers on important current topics on **Wednesday, June 20**, and **Wednesday, July 25**, 6:30-7:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Stay tuned for specific speakers and topics! This is intended to be a community event where all are invited and welcome, so help us spread the word. Free-will offering. Email [lorijomcbride@gmail.com](mailto:lorijomcbride@gmail.com).

## Paddling the St. Croix

**Canoe and kayak outing:** Let's paddle down the beautiful St. Croix River from Sunrise Ferry Landing to the Wild River State Park Landing on **Saturday, July 14**, 9:30am-3pm, led by Jim Roe. Jim has spent 35 years leading groups in the BWCA and many rivers of Minnesota. We'll have a sack lunch along the way. Bring your own canoe or kayak, borrow one, or rent one. Fliers and a sign-up sheet are posted in the narthex. For information call/text Jim at 651-242-1322 or email him at [jameseroe8@gmail.com](mailto:jameseroe8@gmail.com).

## UMW garage sale



To support UMW missions, we're having a garage sale at the home of Eva Shipley, 2411 County Road F, on **June 14, 15 and 16**.

We're looking for donations of good household items, books and clothing — *only items in good condition!* Drop donations off by Eva's back step (weather permitting) on June 11 and 12. We'll also need volunteers to help set up on June 13 and to help during the sale. There will be two shifts on Thursday and Friday, 8am-noon and noon-5pm; and one shift on Saturday, 8am-1pm. Indicate on the connection card if you can help!

Sale hours will be 9am-4pm Thursday-Friday and 9am-noon Saturday. Saturday will be a \$5 bag sale. For more information or to volunteer, contact Eva at [shipley.41@comcast.net](mailto:shipley.41@comcast.net).

## Take-aways from Protect MN talk

At the recent event organized by the Up All Night social justice group, we learned that in states that requiring a background check before every hand gun sale, there are:

- 48% fewer suicides by gun
- 46% fewer women shot to death by their domestic partner
- 48% fewer police officers killed by handguns
- 48% fewer incidents of trafficking
- 52% fewer mass shootings.

Get more information at [protectmn.org](http://protectmn.org).

## Sarah Circle picnic

UMW's Sarah Circle will meet **Monday, June 4**, at 1pm in Fellowship Hall for our annual potluck picnic. Everyone's invited!

## Come golf with us!

Women's casual golf group will play 9 holes of golf every Wednesday this summer. Next on the schedule:

**June 6:** Phalen Park Golf Course, 1615 Phalen Drive, St. Paul.

**June 13:** Gross National Golf Club, 2201 St. Anthony Blvd. (35W/Hwy 36 area)

To play, contact Mary Cripe by Monday morning at [suzary006@comcast.net](mailto:suzary006@comcast.net).

## Children's Church

Children's and youth Sunday School are back today!

**Who:** Kids 4 years to 3rd grade completed. Friends too! Younger kids are welcome in the nursery.

**What:** Upbeat music, Bible story, blessing, building toys and craft time, closing video.

**When:** June and July at 10am

**Where:** Downstairs theater

**Youth:** 4th- & 5th-graders are invited to join Linnea and the middle school youth in room 109 in June.

**Adults:** Come and see what it's all about and sign up to be a helper for a Sunday.