"Let It Be"

Despite all we hear about rock star glamor, the song "Let It Be" was written during a time of discord between the Beatles. Most of the Beatles had moved on to the country and Paul McCartney wondered if he could "keep hanging on." As Paul drifted between wakefulness and sleep, he recalled his deceased Mum of 12 years whispering "let it be." Although Paul was merely a lanky 14 year old when his Mum had passed, she would always be a "comforting presence." Paul's dream inspired chords and lyrics that came freely. "I took it as: be gentle, don't fight and things will work out." Those "3 little syllables had a deep resonance" with me and when the song came out McCartney sensed it was "a healing presence for others." Perhaps this is what a prayer is like? Let it be, it will be okay, God's got you. "When I find myself in times of trouble, let it be. When all the broken hearted people living

in the world agree, there will be an answer, let it be."

will give rest...My yoke is light" ... "For let me rest in

what will be thy kingdom, thy power, and thy glory."

Young Paul McCartney's secular experience mirrors living

words. "Come to me when you are tired and weary and I

Prayers come in as many ways as people. It is a leap of faith giving the very best celebration or the grimmest shattering of what is most loved to the Sacred. This being thoughts and yearnings to. I will let it be. You will come said, I am a wonderer. Suppose lots of spiritual types like us are. We wonder most when we find ourselves in precarious, intense places where, as Frederick Buechner says; people love imperfectly. We pray, we wonder, we accept that people seem to be doing the best with how they know to love, survive and hang on. We hang on to what is God's power, God's Kingdom and God's glory. As

one of those wondering types like you, I wondered why is it this string of "thines" is strung along with the Lord's Prayer? While The Lord's Prayer is one of our worship standards and is respected as the way Jesus taught generations of followers to pray, why do we end with "for thine be the power, and the kingdom and the glory forever and forever?" The "thines" don't make the esteemed red letters in the Bible...like who adds to what Jesus says? Apparently the earliest Christians did.

These memorable words are found in the majority of Greek, Syrian, Jewish, and Latin manuscripts dated as far back as 100AD. Ending a hymn or prayer for early followers was synonymous with turning it over and acknowledging where everything began and ended. Thine be the kingdom, the power and the glory was considered an ending, a summary, if you will, a closure sealing a prayer to what it is entrusted to. Like a grand finale, many cultures and decades of people expressed a doxology: Dear God, this prayer will rest with You in Your kingdom; the kingdom which is on earth too, with Your kind of power and gathered with Your kind of peace-gathering glory.

It's our grand finale too. It is an enduring remembrance of the sweet, capable nature of God that we entrust our to me in times of trouble; slowly, ever so carefully we relinquish the prayer and rest for some time in the future when we come to see less dimly and notice God. After all, that is what grace is...to really believe the expansive, persistent invitation of God's goodness and for now, scrunch ourselves to become like "little children" and give what is fleeting and what is everlasting. Amen. JJacot

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.

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9:30am Worship, May 7,2017

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE: PLEASE SEE USHERS

* PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

"Put your hope in the Lord, now and forever." ~ Psalm 131:3

PRFI UDF

"Children of the Heavenly Father and Baptized and Set Free" setting, Anne Krentz Organ

WELCOME

+OPENING WORDS (responsively)

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want

I seek the grace of God, and my cup runneth over

I seek the will of God, and my cup runneth over

I seek the strength of God, and my cup runneth over

How generous is God's love, so much the world cannot contain it

The Lord is my Shepherd, and I lack nothing. Amen

+OPFNING HYMN

"Crown him with Many Crowns"

No.327

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, We thank You and praise You.

You alone are God.

You are the Creator of everything.

We lift Your name high and worship Your holy name.

Help us to serve You with joy.

Help us to love You with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength.

Help us to love ourselves as You love us.

Help us to love others as we love ourselves.

Help us to live humbly as we follow You, our Shepherd. Amen

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Children may remain up front during the baptism. Students preschool through 8th grade may then leave for Sunday school.

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Eleanor Faith Kaufenberg

Daughter of Dave and Liz Kaufenberg, born March 10, 2017

BAPTISMAL SONG

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

We welcome Eleanor joyfully and reverently as a member of our family, the family of God. We offer ourselves to be her brothers and sisters, uncles and aunts, grandfathers and grandmothers in Christ to surround her with God's kind of love. We accept as our sacred responsibility to help her grow, together with us all, to full humanity, as we see it in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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.

MEDITATION Psalm 133:1 Pastor David Doppenberg

Behold how good, and how pleasant it is, for brethren to dwell together in unity.

Composer Leonard Bernstein offers hope for peace and unity.

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Chichester Psalms" by Leonard Bernstein

Chancel Choir and guest musicians

+HYMN "When in Our Music God is Glorified" No. 68

Stanzas 1 & 2-all, 3-women, 4-men, 5-all

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE "Carillon" Louis Vierne

Sharon Kleckner, guest organist

CHANCEL CHOIR

Soprano; Gloria Anderson, Denise Kerr, Nan Rausch, Carolyn Sayles, Carrie Sinclair, Margaret Westin; Alto: Valerie Ackerman, Evelyn Ferris, Karen Flynn, Marcia Lantto, Stephanie Ondik, Peteria Cochran Routt; Tenor: David Bennett, Steve Jacobsen Bass: Paul Ackerman, Rick Flynn, Dan Huntwork, Curt Keller, Conrad Leighton, Jim McCarthy, Steve Peterson, Jack Sigler

CHICHESTER PSALMS

Part I

Urah, hanevel, v'chinor! A-irah shahar!

Awake, psaltery and harp! I will rouse the dawn!

Psalm 108:2

Hariu l'Adonai kol haarets. Iv'du et Adonai b'simha. Bo-u l'fanay bir'nanah. D'u ki Adonai Hu Elohim. Hu asanu, v'lo anahnu. Amo v'tson mar'ito. Bo-u sh'arav b'todah, Hatseirotav bit'hilah, Hodu lo, bar'chu sh'mo. V'ad dor vador emunato.

Psalm 100 Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord, He is God. It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,

And into His courts with praise.

Be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. Ki tov Adonai, I'olam has'do, For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting. And His truth endureth to all generations.

Part II

Adonai ro-i. lo ehsar. Bin'ot deshe varbitseini. Al mei m'nuhot y'nahaleini, Naf'shi y'shovev, Yan'heini b'ma'aglei tsedek, L'ma'an sh'mo. Gam ki eilech B'gei tsalmavet, Lo ira ra, Ki Atah imadi. Shiv't'cha umishan'techa Hemah y'nahamuni. Ta'aroch l'fanai shulchan Neged tsor'rai Dishanta vashemen roshi Cosi r'vavah. Ach tov vahesed Yird'funi kol y'mei hayai

Lamah rag'shu goyim Ul'umim yeh'gu rik? Yit'yats'vu malchei erets, V'roznim nos'du yahad Al Adonai v'al m'shiho. N'natkah et mos'roteimo. Yoshev bashamavim Yis'hak, Adonai Yil'ag lamo!

V'shav'ti b'veit Adonai

L'orech yamim.

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters, He restoreth my soul, He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness, For His name's sake. Yea, though I walk Through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

For Thou art with me. Thy rod and Thy staff They comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me

My cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy Shall follow me all the days of my life, And I will dwell in the house of the Lord

In the presence of mine enemies,

Thou annointest my head with oil,

Forever. Psalm 2:1-4

Why do the nations rage, And the people imagine a vain thing The king of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together Against the Lord and against His anointed. Saying, let us break their bonds asunder, He that sitteth in the heavens Shall laugh, and the Lord Shall have them in derision!

Part III

Adonai, Adonai,

Lo gavah libi,

V'lo ramu einai, V'lo hilachti Big'dolot uv'niflaot Mimeni. Im lo shiviti V'domam'ti, Naf'shi k'gamul alei imo, Kagamul alai naf'shi. Yahel Yis'rael el Adonai Me'atah v'ad olam.

Hineh mah tov. Umah nayim, Shevet ahim Gam yahad.

Psalm 131

Lord, Lord, My heart is not haughty, Nor mine eyes lofty, Neither do I exercise myself In great matters or in things Too wonderful for me to understand. Surely I have calmed And guieted myself, As a child that is weaned of his mother. My soul is even as a weaned child. Let Israel hope in the Lord From henceforth and forever.

Psalm 133:1

Behold how good, And how pleasant it is, For brethren to dwell Together in unity.

GUEST MUSICIANS

Sharon Kleckner, organ; Lynne Aspnes, harp; Jeff Bina, percussion; Kevin Torstenson, boy soloist; Bennett Gilson, boy soloist cover; Bethany Battafarano, soprano; Brittany Rudoi, soprano; Erin Peters, mezzo soprano; Christina Christensen, mezzo soprano; Jacob Christopher, tenor; Paul John Rudoi, tenor; Matthew Tintes, bass; Samuel Green, bass

Sunday, May 7

9:30am—Worship/Sunday school/nursery
"Chichester Psalms" Choir Concert

10:30am—Coffee/tea, doughnuts, fellowship 10:30am—Individual prayer, prayer room

11:15am—Band-led worship/nursery

Monday, May 8

10am—Hang Loose Women's Al-Anon, room 206 6-7:30pm—Bell Trio rehearsal, sanctuary

Tuesday, May 9

6pm—Yogadevotion class, Fellowship Hall 6:30pm—Trustees meeting, room 107 7-8:30pm—Finance committee, room 200 7pm—Worship committee, library

Wednesday, May 10

9:45-11:45am—UMW-Dorcas Circle, room 200 10am—John Stucky visitation, narthex 11am—John Stucky funeral, sanctuary 6:30-8pm—Music banquet, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, May 11

7:10am—Men's Breakfast Group, library 9am-3pm—The Gathering, room 200 10am—Pages of Wisdom, room 107 1-3pm—Book club (outside group), library

Friday, May 12

Office open 9am-noon

Saturday, May 13

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

Sunday, May 14

9:30am — Worship/Sunday school/nursery 10:30am — Coffee/tea, doughnuts, fellowship 10:30am — Individual prayer, prayer room 11:15am — Band-led worship/nursery

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 12pmMonday:9am to 3pmTuesday:9am to 3pmWednesday:9am to 3pmThursday:9am to 3pmFriday:9am to 12pmSaturday: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. Thank you!

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

We're making some changes to the LifeSource newsletter. It will be a quarterly publication that focuses on upcoming events, big or small. We'd like to look ahead several months, and we need your help.

If you're on a team that plans events for the church, we'd love to hear about them. New or annual events, please send dates, times, and any plans you're able to share so we can get the word out early to help boost interest, engagement and attendance. Photos from past years would also be great!

The next issue will be available in early June, looking forward into summer events. **DEADLINE: Tuesday, May 23.** Please email copy and photos to Lauri at office@wblumc.org . Thank you.

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Faith In Action thanks you!

Thank you for your generous donations and purchase of bookmarks last December. Your generosity funded the purchase of books for EVERY first grader at the recent Willow Lane Elementary book fair. Some of the students' thank-you notes are posted on the bulletin board outside Fellowship Hall. A special shout-out of thanks to Andy, Peteria and Emma Routt, who donated their art paper, time and materials to help the Faith In Action team put together a beautiful selection of bookmarks. We all made a difference together, one child at a time. Questions about the READ5000 outreach project? Contact Tammey Busch or any FIA member.

IN MFMORIAM

The single white rose on the altar is in memory of WBLUMC member **John Stucky**, who died on Saturday, April 29. His memorial service will be at WBLUMC on Wednesday, May 10, at 11am, with visitation at 10am. Lunch will follow in Fellowship Hall.

The welcome of a flower

The bright pansies and hyacinths that greet you outside our church doors are donated anonymously to honor those experiencing illness or cancer. There are a few attributes of these colorful flowers to recall: A hyacinth represents constancy, and a pansy's meaning is to have thought for another. These urns brim with symbolism for an attribute the donors admire: an enduring or constant strength, almost like spring.



ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's altar flowers are provided by Liz and Dave Kaufenberg to honor the baptism of their daughter, **Eleanor Faith Kaufenberg**.

Bucks for Bees!

Today is our final fundraiser for bees. During Fellowship time, \$1 will buy you a bee that's been artfully decorated by our children. Help us decorate the narthex with your purchases. All donations will go to Xerces Society, a highly rated organization devoted to collecting and sharing data about invertebrates.

Community garden sign-ups

Please stop by the office or contact Larry or Denise Kerr at 651-484-6092 to get your Garden Agreement and Application for the 2017 growing season. Plots are still only \$20 each.

Women's Casual Golf Group

Do you like to golf? Women of all ages interested in playing a social round of golf are invited to join. We'll play 9 holes every Wednesday afternoon at a different course. Primary contact is Mary Cripe, suzary006@ comcast.net; alternate contact is Carol Effertz, 651-429-6023. Let us know if you have any questions or would like to play so we can add you to the e-mail list for the complete schedule.

May 24: Gem Lake Golf Course; 4039 Scheuneman Road; 651-429-8715.

Understanding the Refugee Experience

A few facts learned from our recent event sponsored by the Up All Night? social justice action group:

- 1. The average wait for refugees to enter the U.S. is 5 years. The average wait for refugees coming to Minnesota is 15 years. For the Karen from Myanmar it was 25+ years.
- 2. There are 17 levels of security checks.
- 3. Refugees are charged for their travel expenses, and 86 percent pay back their travel expenses in full.



Let's play ball!

We've scheduled our summer Saints game: See the St. Paul Saints take on the Sioux Falls Canaries at CHS Field in downtown St. Paul 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. Game starts at 5pm.

Contact Jeremy Steiner with questions. Online payment preferred at wblumc.org/events/event registration — all payments are due by **July 10**.

Gluten-free donations

If you or a loved one has food sensitivities, then you know how challenging it can be to find appropriate foods. Now imagine how much more difficult that might be if you or your loved one were relying on food aid. For the month of May, we're requesting glutenfree 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!



SILENT AUCTION

We'd love your donations! Gift cards/baskets, sports/theater thickets, art, vacation timeshares, activities/experiences, etc., all appreciated.
Talk to Amy TODAY or email amy.mcgrew@wblumc.org or about your potential donation. Please let her know about your donation before you bring it in to help us prepare and set up. All items must be in Amy's office before Wednesday, May 10.

Bidding will be on **Sunday, May 14 through Sunday, May 21.** Proceeds support ASP participants.

D.C./Ohio mission trip

Senior high and older youth and adults from across the conference are invited on a nine-day mission to our nation's capitol and the Ohio River Valley.

Travel by coach-style bus to Washington, D.C. for two days of learning seminars on immigration and racism by General Board of Church and Society, plus day/evening visits to museums, and other important D.C. sites.

Then we'll travel to Steubenville, Ohio, for three days of urban mission with the JOSHUA Project, an ecumenical Christian social service agency founded by the United Methodist Church in 1959. JOSHUA stands for Journeys of Service Helping Upper Appalachia.

Dates: July 22 -July 30

Cost: \$400 per person (scholarships are available)

Lodging: Hostel-style

If you want to know more, ask Pastor John or Lori McBride, lorijomcbride@gmail.com

BE PART OF THE ORGAN PROJECT WITH YOUR SUPPORT!

The funds for the organ will all come from this special appeal, not from our operating budget or building fund. The goal is to raise \$90,000.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;

come into His presence with singing.

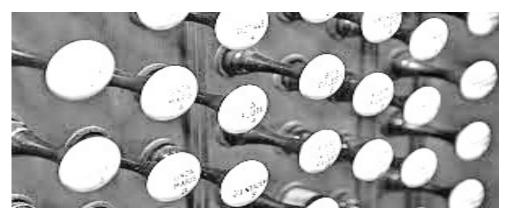
Psalms 100:1-2

I/We will give a gift to the C)rgan Fun	d as follows:	
"TRUMPET" Level: \$5000		"FLUTE" Level: \$500	
"PRINCIPAL" Level: \$1000		"CELESTE" Level: \$100	
Other amount:			
Gift in honor/memory of: (c	optional) ₋		
Name:			
Phone or e-mail:			
As with all special appeals, this donation would be above your current gift			

Thank you for your contribution!

to the church's General Fund and Building Fund.





NEW SANCTUARY ORGAN PROPOSAL

OUR CURRENT SANCTUARY ORGAN IS GOING TOES-UP!

We've had our current electronic organ for more than 25 years. Even at the time of purchase, it was a used instrument.

The organ builder, Baldwin, is no longer in the organ business. Parts for repairs are unavailable and service can be difficult to obtain. Its electronic components are obsolete.

The organ has frequently stopped working over the past couple of years. You might not know because our organist, Peteria, is skilled in covering it up! But... OUR CHURCH NEEDS A NEW ORGAN URGENTLY.

WHAT'S BEING DONE?

An Organ Committee (Curt Keller, chair; Gloria Anderson, Joy Ballou, Mike Ferris, Karen Flynn, Peteria Cochran-Routt) has been working hard since December to research organ options for our church.

Digital organs, pipe organs, and combination-style organs (digital organs with interfaced pipes) have all been studied. An organ is a major addition to the sanctuary so impacts to the sanctuary layout and structure have also been considered.

DO WE NEED A NEW ORGAN?

Yes! We are fortunate to have a fine piano, but nothing beats the organ's ability to support congregational singing and add a special dimension to worship.

Those celebrating life events (weddings, baptisms, funerals) frequently desire organ music as part of their service.

In addition, special musical events, concerts, and community events in our sanctuary regularly call on the organ.

NEW ORGAN PROPOSAL

The Organ Committee proposes that we immediately replace our existing organ with a current model digital organ. Cost: \$90,000.



BENEFITS

- State-of-the-art digital organ
- New speakers, with optimized placing in the sanctuary for best sound
- · Organ console will be moved from back of the chancel to the side, for improved visibility and hearing for the organist.

WHAT ABOUT PIPES?

We know that some members of the congregation have hoped for a true pipe organ.

- We researched pipe organs and found that their costs ran from \$300,000
 to \$1 million. We believed this was more than our congregation could support.
- True pipes can be interfaced to a digital organ. The Organ Committee is exploring this option and will provide more information at a later time.

Share your thoughts with us!