

God loves all people. So do we.



We are a community of faith seeking to provide nourishment for the hungers of life, and we welcome all persons, regardless of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability or circumstances of life. Welcome to White Bear Lake United Methodist Church.

Traditions

9am Worship | Communion Sunday, November 17, 2019

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

WORDS FOR MEDITATION
 "Once poverty is gone, we'll need to build museums to display its horrors to future generations. They'll wonder why poverty continued so long in human society - how a few people could live in luxury while billions dwelt in misery, deprivation and despair."
 ~ Muhammad Yunus

"Love is the most dangerous thing in the world."
 ~ Jeanette Hurt

WORSHIP NOTES

About the prelude
 "Pange lingua" is a Medieval hymn written by St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274). The text says, "Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory, of his flesh the mystery song: of the blood, all price exceeding, shed by our immortal king."

PRELUDE	"Pange lingua" improvisation Luke Gion	
WELCOME		
CALL TO WORSHIP	"Every Endeavor"	Charles Flagg
OPENING WORDS (responsively)	The word has come for us from God: who promises to shelter us under the wings of hope and grace.	
	The word has come to us from Jesus: who encourages us to remember the good news we have received.	
	The word flows to us from the Spirit: who reminds us to place our hope and trust in God.	
+ OPENING HYMN	"All Creatures of Our God and King"	No. 62 Luke Gion

UNISON PRAYER
God of all good things, we invite you to be present today to receive our worship, to find our hearts' desires pleasing to you, and to watch as we live out your example of abundant love and grace. Open our hearts to new avenues of serving you and your world. Open our minds to fresh ways of sharing all that you have given to us. Open our souls so that we may be filled with your overflowing love. Amen.

WBLUMC WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, Nov. 17
 9am—Traditions: Choral scholars; Sunday School & nursery
 10am—Coffee, tea, treats in Fellowship Hall
 10am-noon—Advent Store fundraiser, narthex
 10:10-10:25am—Children's Choir rehearsal, room 205
 10:10-10:40am—All-church Charge Conference, room 200
 10:45am—New Crossings: Dylan; Sunday School & nursery
 5-8pm—Forum: Dialogues on Human Sexuality, room 200

Monday, Nov. 18
 10am—Hang Loose Women's AI-Anon, room 206
 7-8:30pm—Hearts & Hands knitting group, library

Tuesday, Nov. 19
 10:30am-noon—Staff meeting, room 206; *office closed*
 12:30-1:45pm—Faith in Action, library
 6-7pm—YogaDevotion class, Fellowship Hall
 6-8pm—Board of Directors meeting, library
 7-9pm—NE Climate Action meeting, room 107

Wednesday, Nov. 20
 1-2:30pm—Prayer Team meeting, prayer room
 5:30-6:30pm—Family Christmas service readers, room 206
 6-6:30pm—Tween-Teen Choir rehearsal, room 205
 6-7:15pm—Alleluia Ringers rehearsal, sanctuary
 6:30pm—Wednesday Night Children & Youth Activities
 7:30-9pm—Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, Nov. 21
 7:10am—Men's breakfast group, library
 10am—Pages of Wisdom AA group, room 107
 7-9pm—BeFrienders, room 200

Saturday, Nov. 23
 7:30am—Men's prayer group, room 200
 9am—WBL Saturday morning women's AA group, room 200

Sunday, Nov. 24
 9am—Traditions worship; Sunday School & nursery
 10am—Coffee, tea, treats in Fellowship Hall
 10:10-10:25am—Children's Choir rehearsal, room 205
 10:30-11am—Family Christmas service readers, room 206
 10:45am—New Crossings worship; Sunday School & nursery

Monday, Nov. 25
 10am—Hang Loose Women's AI-Anon, room 206
 7-8:15pm—Church book club, library

Tuesday, Nov. 26
 2-3:30pm—"Reckless Love" book study, room 200
 6-7pm—YogaDevotion class, Fellowship Hall

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

Sundays 9am to 12pm; Mondays-Thursdays 9am to 3pm
OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, NOV. 28, & FRIDAY, NOV. 29

SUNDAY BULLETIN/WEEKLY E-BLAST

Please email all pertinent information to office@wblumc.org by **1pm Tuesday** for the Sunday bulletin and **10am Wednesday** for the weekly e-blast. *All information is subject to staff approval.*

Get sermon podcasts, 9am bulletin PDFs, calendar and programming information at wblumc.org.

WBLUMC STAFF

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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

WORSHIP
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About the anthem

Children of Eden was written in 1991 and received its debut in London’s West End. The premiere received less than stellar reviews.

Today’s Scripture

Today’s reading from the gospel of Luke is sometimes referred to as “The Story of Dives and Lazarus.” However, if you look closely you will see that only one character is named in the story – Lazarus, the poor man. This is a reversal from the usual storytelling custom of the time, in which important people were named and less important people (the poor, children, and even women) were seldom named. The word “dives” means rich man and comes from the Latin translation of the Bible, the Vulgate.

ANTHEM

“Children of Eden”
Paul Gutmann
from Stephen Schwartz’s *Children of Eden*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

After the children’s message, children and youth through 12th grade will leave for Sunday School.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

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 16:19-31

Reader: Jeff Lantto

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham.

“The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’

“But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’

“He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house — for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’

“Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

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.**

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Communion

Holy Communion is the sacrament that nourishes us in our journey by using real food and drink to re-enact Christ’s last meal with his disciples.

Over and over again, it gives us the experience of being part of the church as the body of Christ in the world. John Wesley urged the first Methodists to receive communion often – every Sunday and sometimes even at midweek services. He said, “This is the food of our souls: this gives strength to perform our duty, and leads us on to perfection. If we wish for strength to believe, to love and obey God, then we should neglect no opportunity of receiving the Lord’s Supper.” Communion is open to all who wish to participate in Christian community.

MESSAGE

Chasms

Pastor Bill Eaves

+ HYMN

“O God, Beyond All Praising”
Paul Gutmann

No. 2009

CONNECTION CARDS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING

“God Help the Outcasts”
Meagan Seubert, Paul Gutman

Alan Menken/arr. Snyder
from *Hunchback of Notre Dame*

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

God is with us! **We are not alone!**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

We will receive communion by intinction — dipping the bread into the cup so as to take them together. Individual and gluten-free servings are available at the table. We serve communion at an open table — you are welcome to participate as you choose.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“A Place At the Table”
Paul Gutmann

by Lori True

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life.

We are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life.

We are sent forth into this world to live into the visions God has laid on our hearts.

We are now commissioned to feed as we have been fed,

forgive as we have been forgiven, love as we have been loved.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ BENEDICTION

+ POSTLUDE

“Gloria” improvisation
Luke Gion