

Fall sermon series: The Hungers of Life



Sermon series starts Sunday, Sept. 9, at 10am
Reminder! 9am & 1045am services start on Sept. 16

Sept. 9 — The Hunger for Love
Sept. 16 — The Hunger for Peace
Sept. 23 — The Hunger for Justice
Sept. 30 — The Hunger for Connection
Oct. 7 — The Hunger for Passion

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.

The Email Prayer Chain accepts requests by contacting a pastor or leader Ronda Nelson, 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.



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NOURISHING THE HUNGERS OF LIFE

10am Summer Worship ~ Communion Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE; PLEASE SEE USHERS

• PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

WORDS FOR REFLECTION

“It is for us to pray not for tasks equal to our powers, but for powers equal to our tasks, to go forward with a great desire forever beating at the door of our hearts as we travel toward our distant goal.”

~ Helen Keller

“For an incurious person, an open door will be no different than a wall.”

~ Mehmet Murat Ildan

“When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.”

~ Alexander Graham Bell

PRELUDE

“Trust In You”

by Lauren Daigle

WELCOME

+OPENING WORDS (responsively)

Come into this circle of community. Come into this sacred space.

Do not be tentative. Bring your whole self!

Bring the joy that makes your heart sing.

Bring your kindness and your compassion.

Bring also your sorrow, your pain.

Bring your brokenness and your disappointments.

Spirit of love and mystery; help us to recognize the spark of the divine that resides within each of us.

May we know the joy of wholeness. May we know the joy of being together.

+OPENING HYMN

“We Are Called”

No. 2172

UNISON PRAYER

**Eternal, life-giving God, we come together in these quiet moments seeking what we cannot find alone:
A gathering in which we are reminded who we are and whose we are;
A sacred space in which our hopes and dreams are nurtured;
A sense of understanding and cooperation even in the midst of our differences;
A breath of inspiration for living out our deepest values and our highest callings;
A realization that we are part of a human family that surpasses time and space.
Open up within us and among us a place for your Spirit to be at work, and let our hearts be shaped and guided by your presence here, in the name of Jesus Christ. 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.

ANTHEM "Grace Alone" by Scott Wesley Brown and Jeff Nelson

SCRIPTURE Colossians 4:2-6

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving. At the same time pray for us as well that God will open to us a door for the word, that we may declare the mystery of Christ, for which I am in prison, so that I may reveal it clearly, as I should.

Conduct yourselves wisely towards outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone.

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.

A CHILDREN'S STORY FOR EVERYONE *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* by Dr. Seuss Read by Liz Kaufenberg

MESSAGE The Gospel in Children's Stories: *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* Pastor Bill Eaves

+HYMN "We Shall Overcome" No. 533

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 "Search Me, Know Me" by Kathryn Scott

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

On a night of both celebration and betrayal, Jesus took the bread from the table, blessed it and broke it; reminding them that it is in the breaking that we become whole, and in losing our lives that we find them. As the scattered grain becomes one in the loaf: **when we eat this bread, we become one with one another.**

He also took the cup, remembering with them, the life-giving breath even now pounding a rhythm through our veins, the breath of life from whence we come.

As the grapes find life in the vine:

when we drink this cup, we become at one with the source of life itself.

And so we pray: Come, holy Spirit, come.

Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine, that our eyes might be open, and that we might recognize the risen Christ in our midst and in one another.

Come, holy Spirit, come.

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 "The More I Seek You" by Kari Jobe

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison)

Lord Jesus, we welcome your presence with us.

May the food and companionship we share nourish our bodies, hearts and minds.

And may our spirits be refreshed as we live in the light of your presence with us now, and at all times and places. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+CLOSING HYMN "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" No. 521

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's arrangement is provided by Doreen Johnson Frost and Robin T. Mathews in celebration of their marriage today.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS

Laurel Kaeferlein, vocals; **Theresa Anderson**, piano; **Bernie Kaeferlein** sound technician

We need heroes like YOU!

On Sept. 16, Sunday School returns at 9am and **Children's Church at 10:45am** makes its debut! To volunteer to help with this programming, email Joan at joan.hartman@wblumc.org.



Welcome new choir director

Dr. Gerald Gurs joins the WBLUMC staff as choir director on Sept. 4, coming from Charlotte, NC, where he was artistic director for One Voice Chorus. Gerald received his DMA in choral directing from the University of South Carolina. He is also the new artistic director for the Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus. Welcome, Gerald!

WBLUMC calendar

Sunday, Sept. 2

10-11am—Summer service; nursery
11am—Coffee, tea and treats, Fellowship Hall
Individual prayer, prayer room
1pm—Frost-Mathews wedding, sanctuary

Monday, Sept. 3

OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
10am—Hang Loose Women's Al-Anon, room 206

Tuesday, Sept. 4

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

Wednesday, Sept. 5

6-7:15pm—Alleluia Ringers, sanctuary
7:30-9pm—Chancel Choir rehearsal, music room

Thursday, Sept. 6

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

Friday, Sept. 7

No scheduled activities; office closed

Saturday, Sept. 8

7:30am—Men's Prayer Group, room 200
10am—WBL Sat. Morning Women's Group, 200/206
10am-noon—UMW Fall Program, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Sept. 9: Rally Day

10-11am—Last day of one-service; nursery
11am-1pm—Rally Day picnic, patio and Fellowship Hall

Monday, Sept. 10

10am—Hang Loose Women's Al-Anon, room 206

Tuesday, Sept. 11

6pm—Yoga class, Fellowship Hall
6:30pm—Trustees meeting, room 107
7-8:30pm—Finance Committee meeting, room 200
7-9pm—Staff-Parish Relations Committee, room 206

Welcome!

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

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 **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 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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Rally Day: Sunday, Sept. 9

Worship at 10am | Lunch, music, and fun & games 11am-1pm

10am WORSHIP

- > Blessing of the backpacks & book drive
- > Bluegrass band The Barley Jacks

11am-1pm PICNIC

- > Bouncy houses & outdoor games
- > Pulled-pork sandwiches with fresh buns, root beer & popcorn
- > More music from The Barley Jacks

ALL ARE WELCOME!

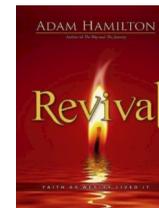
FREE
community
event —
bring a guest

Willow Lane Elementary book drive

On Rally Day *and* on Sept. 16, Faith in Action will collect donations of new and/or gently used picture books for K-3rd grade students at Willow Lane Elementary School. WBLUMC has donated 750 books over the past three years. Thanks for your part in continuing to support this outreach to elementary students as they start a new school year.

Fall Adult Faith Studies

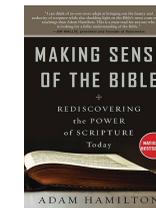
Stop by the table in the narthex to sign up and buy books on **Sunday Sept. 2, 9 & 16.**



Revival: Faith as Wesley Lived It
by Adam Hamilton

Leader: Pastor John McBride
7-week study on Monday evenings;
6:30-8 pm

Sept. 17, 24; Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29



Making Sense of the Bible
by Adam Hamilton

Leader: Pastor Bill Eaves
7-week study on Thursday evenings;
6:30-7:45pm

Sept. 20, 27; Oct. 4, 11, 18; Nov. 1, 8



Created for Happiness
by Cynthia Bond Hopson
and Sarah Heaner Lancaster

Leaders: Tammey Busch
& Judy Slomkowski

6-week Thursday morning group,
10:30-11:30am, **Oct. 4-Nov. 8**

Coming up at WBLUMC

Join the last Bikes, Burgers & Beverages outing of the summer!

One last chance this season to join us on the Gateway Trail for a fun, all-levels ride. We'll bike first and enjoy food at Roma's afterward on **Tuesday, Sept. 4**. We'll start at 530pm from Mahtomedi Ball Field parking lot. Organized and led by Dawn Kittleson and Dave Bennett. RSVP needed! Sign up in the narthex or email dmkittleson@gmail.com or dsbennett1@comcast.net.

YogaDevotion fall session starts next week

The fall yoga session will be back at 6-7pm Tuesdays starting **Sept. 4**. Yoga class is held at church in Fellowship Hall and the cost is \$64 for 8 weeks, through Oct. 23. If you have any questions, contact Carolyn Sayles at 651-779-0311 or email her at tersay@msn.com. All are welcome!

Up All Night social justice group

Do you cringe when you hear the news? Wish you could do something to make the world a little better? Come to our meeting on **Thursday, Sept. 6**, 11:30am-1pm, room 206. Bring a bag lunch, get to know us and find out what events and actions we're considering for fall. All are welcome!

UMW fall event: Following the call

Please welcome Kim Harris, Vice President and Program Coordinator for the Minnesota Conference of United Methodist Women, as she shares her personal story of becoming a deaconess. Deaconesses and Home Missioners are laywomen and laymen called by God to be in a lifetime relationship in the United Methodist Church for engagement with a full-time vocation in ministries of love, justice, and service. Join UMW **Saturday, Sept. 8**, at 10am in Fellowship Hall for continental breakfast and a chance to meet Kim. Contact: Margie Grilley at mgrilley@q.com

Dorcas Circle at Feed My Starving Children

Interested in a fun hands-on service project? Join Dorcas Circle at Feed My Starving Children on **Wednesday, Sept. 12**. To carpool, meet at church at 8:30am. Call Anita Leighton at 651-429-5594 if you'd like to come.

September Baking with a Purpose

It's back! Each month you can help address hunger in our community by buying bread baked in our Community Bread Oven. Proceeds benefit local service organizations. **September bread selections:** Sourdough and raisin-walnut **All bread is offered on a first-come, first-served basis by donation.** Pick up your bread 1-2pm in Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, Sept. 15**, or between services on **Sunday, Sept. 16**. Contact Glenn Oliphant at golipha@gmail.com to volunteer or for more info.

Resources for older adults

Would you like more information on resources with issues such as senior housing, Medicare, home care, housekeeping help, long-term care, health-problem support groups, or caregiver support? The Congregational Care Team has prepared a packet on the many resources available in our state and local communities. Pick up a copy at the church office in the CCT mailbox.

Save the date | Sunday, Sept. 23

SPECIAL MUSIC SUNDAY @ 1045AM WORSHIP

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT — ALL WELCOME!

Reach high for your falsetto as the WBLUMC band rocks the music of the British band Queen.

With lead singer Freddie Mercury, widely recognized for his unparalleled vocal talent, the members of Queen produced songs that are both musically and lyrically complicated, many of which may seem funny on the surface but also reflect pain and personal trauma.

We often experience God as we go about our daily lives, finding God's spirit everywhere in our world and often in unexpected places. Listen in a new way — a better way — and hear the sacred in the secular.



UMW PANCAKE BREAKFAST

8:15-11am Sunday, Sept. 23, in Fellowship Hall

Join us for pancakes with syrup, sausages, fruit, coffee and juice. This is a **FREE community event** — proceeds from any donations will go to UMW-supported mission projects that serve women, youth and children, including Emma Norton Services, White Bear Area Emergency Food Shelf, Solid Ground, Simpson Shelter, and more. Better come hungry!