

# God loves all people. So do we.

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

SUNDAY BULLETIN/WEEKLY E-BLAST

Please email all pertinent information to [office@wblumc.org](mailto: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](http://wblumc.org).

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## WBLUMC WEEKLY EVENTS

### Sunday, Sept. 8: Rally Day!

10am—Worship and nursery  
11am-1pm—Picnic, Fellowship Hall & patio

### Monday, Sept. 9

10am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, 206  
10am-noon—Program staff meeting, library  
6pm—Worship Committee, library  
6:30-8pm—Convictions book study, 200

### Tuesday, Sept. 10

2-3:30pm—Convictions book study, 200  
6-7pm—YogaDevotion class, Fellowship Hall  
6:30pm—Trustees Committee, church office  
7-9pm—Staff-Parish Relations Committee, 206  
7:30pm—Finance Committee, 200

### Wednesday, Sept. 11

9:45am-noon—UMW Dorcas Circle, 200  
6-7:15pm—Alleluia Ringers, sanctuary

### Thursday, Sept. 12

7:10am—Men’s Breakfast Group, library  
9am-3pm—The Gathering, room 200/FH  
10am—Pages of Wisdom AA, 107  
1-3pm—Book club (outside group), library  
6:30-8pm—Convictions book study, 200

### Friday, Sept. 13

*Office closed on Fridays; no scheduled events*

### Saturday, Sept. 14

7:30am—Men’s Prayer Group, 200  
10am—Sat. Morning Women’s AA, 200/206

### Sunday, Sept. 15: Fall worship times begin

9am—Traditions worship, Sunday School and nursery  
9am—Convictions book study, 200  
10am—Coffee, tea, treats in Fellowship Hall  
10:10am—Scripture reader training  
10:45am—New Crossings worship, Sunday School and nursery

### Monday, Sept. 16

10am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, 206  
6:30-8pm—Convictions book study, 200  
7pm—Hearts & Hands knitters, library

### Tuesday, Sept. 17

*Staff retreat offsite; office will be closed.*



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.

## 10am Worship - Rally Sunday, September 8, 2019

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

### WORDS FOR REFLECTION

“Believe something and the Universe is on its way to being changed. Because you’ve changed, by believing. Once you’ve changed, other things start to follow. Isn’t that the way it works?”

~ Diane Duane

“Conviction is worthless unless it is converted into conduct.”

~ Thomas Carlyle

“The greatest motivating force that keeps you moving forward is not your perfection but is your conviction.”

~ Anonymous

### PRELUDE

“After the Rain,” “Wayfaring Stranger” and “Angel Band”

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP

“When the Saints Go Marching In”

### +OPENING WORDS (responsively)

Let us worship God as children,  
**With wonder and awe.**

Let us worship God as youth,  
**With questions and eager hearts.**

Let us worship God as adults,  
**With gratitude and praise.**

Let us worship God as elders,  
**With wisdom and hope.**

Let the whole Body of Christ sing praises to God,  
**From whom all blessings flow. Amen.**

+OPENING HYMN	“Down to the River to Pray”	(See screen for lyrics)	OFFERING	“In Your Arms”	by Brian Wicklund
UNISON PRAYER			ANNOUNCEMENTS		
As we hear your word read, O God, let your Spirit tug on our hearts, like a child tugging a parent’s sleeve; whisper in our ear, like a child sharing an important secret; clamor for our attention, like someone who can’t wait any longer; redirect our sights, like a child pointing out a wonder we almost missed. Keep us from missing your Word to us this day, we pray. Amen.			+CLOSING HYMN “I’ll Fly Away” No. 2282		
			+BENEDICTION		
			+POSTLUDE “I’m Going Up On the Mountain”		
Today’s altar flowers are provided by Sandy and Roy Ware in celebration of their 25th anniversary.					
Today’s musicians: The Barley Jacks, with Brian Wicklund, vocals, fiddle, & mandolin; Mike Cramer, vocals & guitar; Keith Yanes, bass; and Joel Arpin, percussion; and John Koziol & Peteria Cochran Routt, keyboards					
Sound technician: Kirk Holslin; PowerPoint presenter: Lori McBride					
THE LORD'S PRAYER			Do you have an IRA? IRS rules mandate that people age 70½ and older take Required Mini- mum Distributions from their IRA each year, regardless of whether they need the income. These annual withdrawals are subject to ordinary income taxes. By making a contribution from your IRA WBLUMC, you can satisfy your RMD amount without re- porting additional income. How it works: The provision allows retirees age 70½ and old- er to donate up to \$100,000 tax free from their IRA each year. Generally, when you take a distribution from your IRA, it is treated as taxable income. Under this provision, made per- manent in the 2015 federal spending and tax package, those assets are excluded from income if the distribution is made direct- ly to a charity. Talk to your finan- cial adviser. It’s important to consider your tax situation be- fore deciding whether to make a charitable contribution from your IRA.		
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.			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 by emailing leader Ronda Nelson at rondalauva2@msn.com.		
I Peter 1:18-21 (from The Message)			Become a BeFriender: Looking to make a difference in someone’s life? We’ll be offering new training for anyone interested in becoming a Be-Friender. A BeFriender meets individually with a person who may be experi- encing one of life’s many challenges. The BeFriender’s role is to be a listener and a caring presence for that person. Contact Barb Hinz at 651-777-0465 or barbhinz@juno.com to learn more.		
Reader: Steve Peterson			Scripture reader training: Oh no! You’re the scripture reader for Sunday and you have no idea how to pronounce all those crazy names. We have the solution for this and more! Come learn the tips and tricks of the professional speakers in our midst so you can read with confidence. Scripture reader train- ing will be on two Sundays this fall, on Sept. 15 and Oct. 6 at 10:10am, be- tween services in room 200.		
Your life is a journey you must travel with a deep consciousness of God. It cost God plenty to get you out of that dead-end, empty-headed life you grew up in. He paid with Christ’s sacred blood, you know. He died like an unblemished, sacrificial lamb. And this was no afterthought. Even though it has only lately — at the end of the ages — become public knowledge, God always knew he was going to do this for you. It’s because of this sacrificed Messiah, whom God then raised from the dead and glorified, that you trust God, that you know you have a future in God.			Food & Fellowship forming: Sharing a meal is a wonderful way to get to know one another. We’ll organize groups of eight participants who will gather in each other’s homes over the coming year. Each group sets its own sched- ule. The host(s) will plan a meal, prepare the main course, and ask others to bring side dishes and dessert. ALL ARE WELCOME! Groups will be organized by early September. Stay tuned for how to register. Contact Marcia Faust at mjfaust@comcast.net for more information.		
RESPONSE TO THE WORD					
Reader: 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	Convictions: The World We Live In	Pastor Bill Eaves			
+HYMN	“I Saw the Light”	(See screen for lyrics)			
CONNECTION CARDS					
Please take time now to fill out your green connection cards to help us track attendance. After the prayer of dedication, you may place them in the offering plates as they are passed to you.					
PRAYER OF DEDICATION					