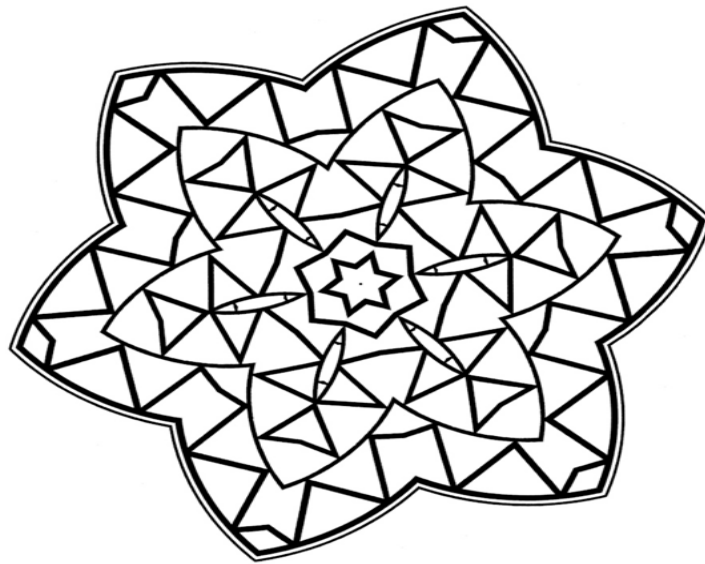


First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

*A Welcoming Community of Faith in the Heart of the Twin Cities:
Come to a place where you can explore, be curious and ask questions.*



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Welcome Visitors, Friends, and Members!

Welcome! ...to a place where you can explore, be curious and ask questions. May you find comfort, joy, strength and peace as you worship the Loving and Living Lord with us today. First Christian truly seeks to be a place of welcome to all!

Children are welcome in worship! For those who desire childcare during worship, nursery care is available next door for infants through 4 year olds. Older children can be at the activity table up front and to the side with Deb and Anna.

Audio Receivers are available from an usher for the hearing impaired.

Songbooks: Words to the songs are printed in this bulletin. If you'd like to have words and music, songbooks can be found on the bookrack by the sanctuary entrance.

Communion: As members of The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) we practice open communion. All believers are invited to partake. The emblems will be passed through the rows by the deacons. Please partake of the gluten free bread and grape juice as it is passed.

Online Giving: Use the *Givelify* app to give your offering electronically. The app can also be used for special offerings, such as Groveland Food Shelf, Week of Compassion, etc.

Our denomination: The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), often referred to as The Disciples, is a denomination known for an Open Theology and an Open Table. To find out more about our heritage, check out the DOC page: www.disciples.org.

Want to know more about First Christian? Go to www.fccmpls.org and check out our ministries. To find out more about our LGBT ministry, click on Reaching Out.

Missed a service? Listen to the sermon: <http://www.fccminneapolis.org/home/sermon-archive/>
Live stream in case you can't be here! https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPVqQ57szyEh8JCTf_8lhiw/live

Interested in receiving our newsletter? Send an e-mail to office@fccmpls.org or call Deb 612-870-1868, ext. 1. We can send it electronically or in the mail or both!

Like us on Facebook: First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)-Minneapolis. Follow various activities and events. You'll also find links to the newsletter and podcasts.

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+Please stand as you are able in body & spirit.

The Community Gathers

If you have a Joy, Concern, or Prayer Request to share, please write it on one of the white slips found on the table behind the back row of chairs and put it in the basket before prayer time.

Gathering Music

Mike Vasich

Announcements

Ann Wolverton

Prelude

Prelude No. 21

Conrad/Vasich

+Call to Worship (responsive)

Ann Wolverton

One: In the midst of our failures,

Many: We stand in God's grace.

One: In the midst of our struggles,

Many: We boast in our hope through Christ.

One: In the midst of our suffering,

Many: We claim the endurance given by the Holy Spirit.

One: In every part of our lives,

Many: The love of our Divine Creator has been poured into our hearts.

ALL: Let us be open to this love as we join together in worship

+Song of Praise

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Chalice Hymnal #16

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious measure sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise to thee an altar; hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it from thy courts above.

+Invocation

Ann Wolverton

+A Version of the Lord's Prayer (Please pray the version in your heart)

Our Creator, who is in heaven, holy is your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

+Musical Response*Halle-Halle-Halleluja*

CH #41

Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja.

Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halleluja. Halleluja.

Hearing and Reflecting on God's Word**Community Joys & Concerns**

Deb Murphy

*Song of Response**God, Who Touches Earth with Beauty (v. 5)*

CH #514

God, who touches earth with beauty, make my heart anew.

Keep me ever, by your Spirit, pure and strong and true.

Prayers of the People

Children's Moment

Steve Rusinak

Scripture

Ann Wolverton

Romans 5:1-11 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Sermon

"Access"

Dan Adolphson

Responding to the Word**+Hymn of Commitment***Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

CH #422

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy;

bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

[Refrain] Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one. At the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. [Refrain]

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share. God (Immanuel) everywhere! [Refrain]

Celebration of Gifts

Martha Harris

Offering Invitation & Collection of Offering

Special Music: *The Duke*

Dave Brubeck

+Doxology: *Accept, O God, the Gifts We Bring*

CH #379

Accept, O God, the gifts we bring of spirit and of clay,
Transform them into blessings on those we serve today.

Rekindle deep within us all a passion to fulfill

The ministry disciples have, empower'd to do you will.

+Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Supper

Tom Curry

Invitation to Communion

Sharing the Peace of Christ

*(When invited to do so, please share Christ's peace with **one or two** near you.*

"The peace of Christ be with you." Response: "And also with you.")

Song of Communion *O God Unseen, Yet Ever Near*

CH #399

O God, unseen yet ever near, reveal thy presence now,
while we, in love that hath no fear, before thy glory bow.

Here may thy faithful people know the blessings of thy love--
the streams that thro' the desert flow, the manna from above.

Awhile beside the fount we stay and eat this bread of thine;
then go rejoicing, on our way, renewed with strength divine.

Prayer for Communion and Words of Institution

Partaking of the Lord's Supper: ***All are truly welcome to partake.***

Please partake of the gluten free bread and grape juice as they are passed to you.

Music for Meditation: *Summer Song*

Dave Brubeck

Closing Words

Deb Murphy

+Benediction

Dan Adolphson

+Song of Blessing *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*(v. 1) CH #459
Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:
[Refrain:] With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Postlude *It's a Raggy Waltz* Dave Brubeck

*Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Please stay and join us in the
Gathering Space just outside the doors for fellowship and refreshment.*

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Outreach Opportunities

Mission at Our Doorstep: Sign up sheets for needed supplies are on the back wall of the North Sanctuary. Please put your name in the column of what you are going to provide and how many. Once you have acquired those items, please check it off in the appropriate check box.

Servant Trip Fund-raiser: There will be another lunch fund-raiser after worship on Pentecost Sunday, June 9. Plan to stay – but if you can't, consider making a donation anyway.

Announcements & Things of Interest

Handcrafters going strong! Mary Lou Norman and Irene Hackett are keeping the Handcrafters tradition alive, and welcome anyone to join them once a month at SpringHouse to knit, sew, or do any other craft you enjoy. Weather permitting, they meet 9 am, usually every 4th Thursday at SpringHouse. This month, however, they will be meeting on the 5th Thursday, May 30th.

June Andrix Memorial Service: Saturday, June 1, 2019; 10 am ; Walker Care Suites in Edina; 7400 York Avenue; Community Room that is downstairs.

Pentecost, June 9: If you are able, please wear red (or orange or yellow) on Pentecost Sunday, June 9. We will be worshipping in the Garden Sanctuary starting that day. Plan to stay for the fund-raiser lunch as well.

SpringHouse Adult Ed: *Human Geography of Palestine & Israel* June 2–9. Guest speakers will participate in these two thought-provoking sessions.

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Myths, Leviticus, and Us, June 16–23–30, July 7–14. Pastor Laurie will lead us through a study on Leviticus, helping us examine some common myths and how people use the Bible to ‘justify’ certain positions.

Summer Office Hours: Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, the SpringHouse office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 am – 2 pm; closed on Mondays and Fridays. Staff members may be around at different times. Call 612-353-6292 to confirm someone is around if you need to get into the building.

Sunday, June 2: Lyndale Open Streets. From 11 am to 5 pm, Lyndale Avenue from 22nd Street to 42nd Street will be closed to all but pedestrians and bicyclists. Vendors and music makers will line the streets. Do not park at Trustone that morning unless you plan to leave before 11 am.

Tuesday Lectionary Bible Study: Starting on Tuesday, June 4, the SpringHouse Lectionary Study Group will be meeting at SpringHouse again, 8:15 – 9:30 pm in the Timothy Meeting Room.

Come to the Table: South Minneapolis Day Camp! - Adult Volunteers Needed! You're invited to help! In order to make this ecumenical, collaborative, Christ-centered camp successful, we need adult volunteers. Bring your gifts and passions as you are able, and as you bless these children we trust you'll be blessed by them, too. We need... adults that can do all week - or just a few hours. Mornings and afternoons - OR mornings OR afternoons. We even need someone who just wants to do like 8:15 am - 9:15 am in the morning gathering space...just supervising coloring and veggie tales.

Morning help (9-12:30): We need help with welcoming kids, serving snacks, and adult presence.

Afternoon help (12:30-4): We need field trip chaperones on Wednesday, and adult presence when we are staying on-site at Bethel the other days of the week.

Please contact Pastor Rhonda Hlavinka, day camp co-director, if you are available to help-- whether or not you have a ‘role’ in mind. (revrhonda@discoversalem.org).

Come to the Table:

South Minneapolis Day Camp 2019

June 17 – June 21, 9am-4pm

Bethel Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Ave. S, Minneapolis 55407

May/June 2019

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Sunday, May 26

10:30 am – Worship in the North Sanctuary

11:30 am – Fellowship in the Gathering Space

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Monday, May 27

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Memorial Day

Offices Closed

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Tuesday, May 28

8 am – SHMC Lectionary Study Group at the Walker Residence

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Wednesday, May 29

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6:30 pm – Bells rehearsal in Lydia

Thursday, May 30

9 am – Ecumenical Women's Ministry

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Saturday, June 1

10 am – June Andrix Memorial Service (see previous page for details)

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Sunday, June 2

LYNDALE OPEN STREETS

9:30 am – Children's Stories and Activities in the Squiggle Space

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Adult Faith Formation in the Gathering Space

10:30 am – Worship in the South Sanctuary

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Youth Sunday

Noon – Elders' Meeting

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Monday, June 3

10 am – Sanctuary Switch: moving to Garden Sanctuary

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Live-streaming: We now live-stream our worship services over the internet. If you do not wish to be photographed or to have your children photographed, please talk to Pastor Laurie, Pastor Dan or Deb Murphy before the service. Parents, we have a photo permission form for you to fill out whether you do or do not want your child in the live stream.