

March 11, 2018



Community United Methodist Church

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## **This Week at a Glance**

### **Sunday, March 11, 2018**

Daylight Savings Starts

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Fellowship – Social Hall

11:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic

11:15 a.m. Trustees Meeting

### **Monday, March 12, 2018**

5:30 p.m. Community Dinner

### **Wednesday, March 14, 2018**

9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper at Community UMC

6:15 p.m. Lenten Service at Community UMC

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, March 15, 2018**

10:00 a.m. “River Rats” Retired Clergy Mtg

5:30 p.m. NO Bell Choir Practice

### **Friday, March 16, 2018**

10:00 a.m. Chair Yoga

### **Sunday, March 18, 2018**

MN Food Share Month

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Fellowship – Social Hall

11:15 a.m. Art Hour for all ages

# Community United Methodist Church

March 11, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.

*A time of quiet reflection is appreciated as we gather for worship. During this time, you may wish to use one of the prayer slips at the end of each pew to request a prayer to be lifted up during the service.*

## Chimes

## Prelude

-Nelda Hart, musician

## Welcome and Announcements

### \* Call to Worship

We continue to be in the Dark Wood, a study of the seasons of life.

**May we know that it is okay to be in the Dark Wood, to live in closeness with God.**

When we enter the season of being Thunderstruck, we wakefully watch for what God is showing us!

**The flashes of insight help us, but the storm may seem alarming.**

**The sound of thunder is a gift.**

When the still small voice calls out, let us move toward the act of listening!

**We are always a part of God's essence. "Bidden and Unbidden."**

**Amen.**

### \* Hymn

*"O God, Our Help in Ages Past", verses 1,2,5,6*

Red Hymnal #117

\* Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able

## Prayer to Begin

God, bless our feet that we might stand against injustice. Bless our hands that we might reach into the world with healing. Bless our ears to prepare for sacred silence. Bless our eyes to see all the beauty surrounding our world. Bless our mouths that we might use them to edify others, speaking truth in love for those around us. Remove our judgmental tendencies and impulsive ways that critique those around us. Bless our souls that we may dance, sing, love and hope as your people. May we give love and receive love with courage and enthusiasm. May we embody the spirit of gratitude! Amen.

## Silent Prayers

### Call to Prayer Song

*"The Quiet Center"*, verse 1

Black Hymnal #2128

### Lighting the Peace Candle

We pray with all of our brothers and sisters in Christ for the people of Ireland, England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales.

**God of passion and power, insistent, immediate, challenging, compelling us with your story's breathless beginning. Walk us into the wilderness to hear your voice where silence reigns. Give us insight, the vision beyond all seeing, so we may look upon the heavens torn open and know that the time of good news for all creation is now. Amen.**

### Anthem

*"Jesus is the Living Stone"*

-Mary McDonald

## **Children's Time**

Our children are invited to use the activity tables in worship, or the activity bags. Please consider joining Sunday School downstairs.

## **Hearing the Word**

Scripture Reading

Job 37:2-5

*Reader: These words inspired by God for the people of God.*

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon**

Gifts of the Dark Wood: *"The Gift of Being Thunderstruck"*

-Reverend Linda McCollough

## **\* Hymn**

*"We All Are One in Mission"*

Black Hymnal #2243

## **Our Time of Prayer**

Sharing of the Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Red Hymnal #895

## **Offertory**

-Nelda Hart, musician

## **Doxology**

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

Red Hymnal #95

**\* Hymn**

*"My Hope Is Built", verses 1,2,4*

Red Hymnal #368

**\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

-Nelda Hart, musician

**Thank you to our Worship Team**

<b><u>Pastor:</u></b>	Rev. Linda McCollough
<b><u>Greeters</u></b>	Our Friends at CUMC
<b><u>Liturgist:</u></b>	Joanie Anderson
<b><u>Music Leaders:</u></b>	Guest Organist – Nelda. Hart Bell Choir - Karen Schneider Music Director – Elaine Hill
<b><u>Sound System:</u></b>	Andy Bixler/James Bordewick



# **NOTES**

## Lenten Schedule

Our Lenten Wednesday evenings will include a 5:30 p.m. Soup Supper with our “Cluster” churches. (Cluster churches are Northeast UMC, Faith UMC, and Community UMC). Following the soup supper, there will be a service from 6:15-7:00 p.m., ending in time for our respective choirs to return to their home churches.

3/14 Community UMC

3/21 Faith UMC

### **Maundy Thursday**

March 29<sup>th</sup> –Meditative Service - 5:30pm-7:00pm  
at Community UMC

### **Good Friday**

March 30<sup>th</sup> –Ecumenical Service - 12:00pm-1:00pm  
at St. Matthew 4101 Washington Street NE

March 30<sup>th</sup> –Tenebrae Service - 7:00pm  
at Community UMC

## Community Dinner

We are offering a community dinner to the public every ***second and fourth*** Monday of the month. Please spread the word and let people know about this great opportunity, we serve delicious food! If you are interested in helping prepare, serve or clean up, please talk with Jim Reinholdson about what opportunities are available. **Supper starts at 5:30PM.** We look forward to seeing you there!



## **Walleye Dinner Fundraiser**

Please join us for our 2nd annual Walleye Dinner on **Friday, March 23, from 4:30-7:00 PM**. Our meal will include Red Lake walleye, wild rice, salad, dessert and a beverage. An extra serving of walleye is available for \$5.

Tickets can be purchased for: \$20 per adult; Kids ages 4 to 12 are \$5 each; Children under age 3 eat free!

## **School Volunteer Opportunity**

Valley View is reaching out to us for volunteers. In the classroom, students need help with assignments and testing math and reading skills. Contact Stephanie Bisanz with your availability, interests and grade level you would like to work with. (763)528-4219 or [Bisanzs@colheights.k12.mn.us](mailto:Bisanzs@colheights.k12.mn.us)

Volunteers are also needed when Big Brothers and Sisters are meeting at Valley View once a week. Time commitments is one hour, assistance with games, arts and crafts is welcome. Contact Paula; [plien@bigstwincities.org](mailto:plien@bigstwincities.org) or by phone at (651)491-1278

*Please act now as school background checks are required and can take up to 8 weeks to complete.* You can find background check request forms for Valley View Elementary located outside the church office.

### Our Vision

We are an urban, intergenerational, inclusive and welcoming Christian fellowship woven into the fabric of our community.

### Our Staff

Pastor	Linda McCollough
Ministers	All the Congregation
Office Manager	Karyn Naber
Music Director	Elaine Hill
Organist	Sharon Ruhnke
Bell Choir Director	Karen Schneider

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