

Our Vision

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

Our Staff

Pastor	Rev. Linda McCollough
Ministers	All the Congregation
Office Manager	Martha Bentley
Choir Director	
Organist	Sharon Ruhnke
Bell Choir Director	Karen Schneider

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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, March 31, 2019

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship in Social Hall
- 11:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic

Monday, April 1, 2019

- 4:30 p.m. Women's Meal at Culvers

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

- 9:45 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 5:45 p.m. Soup Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Lenten Wednesday Service
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 4, 2019

- 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir
- 6:30 p.m. Core Leadership Team

Sunday, April 7, 2019

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship in Social Hall

Thank you to our Worship Team

- Pastor:** Rev. Linda McCollough
- Greeters:** Mike and Sandy Langner
- Liturgist:** Fred Carter
- Music Leaders:** Organist - Sharon Ruhnke
Choir -
Bell Choir - Karen Schneider
- Sound System:** Andy Bixler/James Bordewick

Announcements

March is Food Share Month – LAST CALL

At SACA (our local food shelf) and other Minnesota food shelves plan to restock their shelves, we prepare to help them. The official campaign is from **Monday, February 25-Sunday, April 7**. Please bring non-perishable food items and/or monetary gifts to them through the drive to restock supplies and build up what they need for the coming year!

Herstory Theatre – Real Women, Real Stories-Jan-June 2019

History Theatre is spotlighting amazing women with 3 shows: *Stewardess!*, *Sisters of Peace* and *Dirty Business*. See Anna Lexvold for more information – and possibly putting together a group for one or more shows.

ALL INVITED – Come see the play! Sponsored by UMW

Wednesday, April 3 we would like to invite everyone to lunch and a performance by the Community Players. The play is entitled, "Pontius Pilate and the Dreams of Claudia". Call Anna if you would like a ride. We will meet in the John Wesley Room at 12:00 for lunch.

Prayers of Gratitude

We share in prayers of gratitude for those that covered Martha Bentley's trip to Liberia. Thank you to Carol, Karen and on-going coverage by Pat for Wednesday mornings.

Planting Party

We will plant our seeds for the community garden that need extra growing time on April 11 starting at 7:00 PM here at church.

Donations for Valley View

Valley View 5th graders are going on a camping trip in April. The Counselor has asked for: hygiene products, shampoo, deodorant, soap, tooth brush, tooth paste, pads and tampons. Deadline for contributions is April 4th.

and interactions with others. Let us grow to look more like Jesus because of our desire of reflecting Your image in our actions. Let us be reconciled through Christ with all creation. Realign our spirits now in this time of quiet prayer . . . (time of silent prayer)

Call to Prayer: “*Cares Chorus*” Black Hymnal #2215

Peace Prayers for the World (Christian Peace Prayers)
We know that deep in the heart of every human there is a yearning for peace. The nations try in vain to forge peace initiatives, peace plans and peace treaties – and yet we know that in this world there will be no peace until we reconcile among one another with humility and grace. Cultivate in us a new spirit for this time, build fortresses of love and hope through our peacemakers and bridge builders. Use our own UMCOR to create peaceful places in people's lives to spread love through actions. Amen.

Anthem “*Go to Dark Gethsemane*” T. Tertius Noble

Children’s Time:

Children are invited to use the activity tables during the worship service

Scripture 2 Corinthians 5:16-20 CEB

The words inspired by God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon “*God’s Story, Our Story*”

* **Hymn** “*Without Seeing You*” Black Hymnal #2206
* Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able

Our Time of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Breakthrough Prayer for our church

Good and Generous God,
Your grace and love are an outpouring for me; I give thanks for all that you have given me and our church. O God, we know that Community UMC has held a presence in this community for 111 years. We are blessed and rejoice in the works and wonder we have provided through You to serve this community. God, we pray fervently for our church as we seek You for new directions, ministries, purposes joining in your vision for us. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us. Guide us in your purposes and help us to know your purpose is our purpose. God, breakthrough to us! Grant us the spirit of exploration, new adventures, new leaders, more visitors, and new members – help us to go where we have not yet been. Enlarge our territories and nudge us from our comfort zone. Help us to grow more in love with you, God, and more in love with our neighbors. Guide us to take risks in Your Name and for Your Kingdom! Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Red Hymnal #895

“Our (Father, Mother, God, Creator) ...”
please use whichever name you find meaningful.

Offering - UMCOR

Offertory “*Like A Bridge Over Troubled Water*”
P. Simon

Doxology Red Hymnal #95