

Our Vision

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

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May 5, 2019

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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 5, 2019

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

Monday, May 6, 2019

9:00 a.m. Rummage Sale Set Up
4:30 p.m. Women's Meal at Culvers

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

9:45 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
5:45 p.m. Adult Book Study
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 9, 2019

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Rummage & Plant Sale
5:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 10, 2019

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Rummage & Plant Sale
11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga

Saturday, May 11, 2019

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Rummage & Plant Sale

Sunday, May 12, 2019 – Mother's Day

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

Thank you to our Worship Team

Pastor: Rev. Linda McCollough
Greeter: Veronica Johnson
Liturgist: Martha Snipstad & Youth
Music Leaders: Organist - Sharon Ruhnke
 Choir -
 Bell Choir - Karen Schneider
Sound System: Andy Bixler/James Bordewick

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

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(elements are gluten and dairy free)

* **Hymn** “*At the Font We Start Our Journey*”

Black Hymnal #2114

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

Benediction

Postlude “*Come Ye Faithful*” arr. G. Peterson

Announcements

Special Offering Today: Native American Ministries Sunday

Did you know that more than 20,000 Native American people are part of The United Methodist Church? On May 5, we will celebrate Native American Ministries Sunday. We will receive a special offering that directly supports Native American congregations and enables them to authentically minister with their communities while honoring creative expressions of culture and heritage. The offering also provides scholarships for Native American seminary students.

Through our denominational connection and with our offering, we live out our commitment to repentance, healing, forgiveness and love.

Church Plant and Rummage Sale – *This Week!*

May 9th, 10th & 11th

If you haven't had the opportunity to help before, it really is fun and a great time to get to know your fellow Travelers! Help is needed for the Plant Sale, sorting rummage and set-up 5/7 & 5/8 for however much time you have to offer.

The Great Thanksgiving

God of power and majesty: With the rising of the sun you have raised Jesus Christ and brought him from death to life eternal.

We praise you on this bright day for all your gifts and new life.

Especially we thank you:

for victories over death, challenges and evil in our lives. . .

for loyalty and love of friends and family. . .

for the newborn, the new baptized. . .

and for those now in your eternal home. . .

for the renewal of nature and all creation. . .

for continuing witness of the church of Christ. . .

God of eternity:

You are present with us because of Christ's rising and you persist in lifting us to new life in Jesus.

We bring to you our prayers for this world in need of your love, peace and transformation.

Especially we pray:

for nations and people in conflict and strife. . .

for poor and impoverished, locally and abroad. . .

for those we know in particular circumstances of distress. . .

for those with disease and health challenges. . .

for those dying. . .

for all who follow our risen Christ. . .

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Words of institution by Pastor Linda

**Christ has died, Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

Red Hymnal #895

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May 5, 2019 – 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.

Welcome and Announcements

Chimes

Prelude "Come Christians, Join & Sing" Spanish Hymn
Karen Schneider, Sharon Ruhnke

* Gathering Words

O God, that we are here sometimes feels like it is enough, bring us a new spirit of gratitude for our day!

When our lives are packed with things to do, places to go and people to see, we may find the distractions of appointments and activities take our eyes off the purposes of being grateful.

It is not just about saying thank-you, it includes the thank-you's, but becomes a place in the heart and mind that changes the spirit of us.

May we remember that it is through grace that we grow in our humanity!

* **Hymn** "Amazing Grace" Red Hymnal #378, v. 1-3, 6

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

Prayer to Begin adapted from D. Bonhoeffer
Gracious God, it is the normal life we are not always aware that we receive infinitely more than we give, and gratitude enriches our lives. Help us to recognize we receive more than we can do or give compared with what we become only through other people. It is in our interactions we become more like Jesus. Help us to be more grateful. Speak to our

**hearts in this time of quiet prayer.
(time of silent prayer). . .**

Call to Prayer: *“Come and Find the Quiet Center”*
Black Hymnal #2128, v. 2

Peace Prayers

O Loving God, help us to assess our role in creating a more peaceful kin'dom. If we are filled with fear, anxiety, stress, hurt, disappointment, anger and more, then we are unable to access a heart of peace toward others. Allow us to cast aside those negative feelings, forgive where necessary in order to move our hearts and minds forward in love and peace. These peaceable actions are for our personal interactions, families, and community. When someone steps on our toes this week, during our sale, let us forgive quickly to reconnect with each other as sisters and brothers in Jesus Christ's plan for peace. Amen.

Anthem *“The First Song of Isaiah”* Jack Noble White

The congregation is asked to join the choir singing this refrain after each verse is sung:

ISAIAH 12: 2-6*

JACK NOBLE WHITE



Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be a - fraid. For the



Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de-fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

Children's Time:

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

Scripture Philippians 4:4-9
Ephesians 5:15-21

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

Sermon “9 Innings: Habits and Practices”
(gratitude and fruitfulness)

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 112 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 continue to seek You for new directions, ministries, and purposes joining in your vision for us. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us. Guide us in your purposes, help us to recognize your purposes as our purposes. God, breakthrough to us! Grant us a spirit of exploration, curiosity and newness in our: adventures, leaders, visitors and members. Help us to go where we have not yet been, and enlarge our territories. Nudge us from our comfort and complacency zones. 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.

Offertory “Jesu, Joy” J. S. Bach

*** Call to Communion** “Let Us Be Bread”

Red Hymnal #614, v. 1