

**Ministers:** The congregation of Christ United Methodist Church  
**Pastors:** Michael Wuehler, Amanda Larsen, David Lieder, Nancy Wheeler Handlon  
**Children and Family Ministries Coordinator:** Jenny Gunter  
**Director of Music/Organist:** Richard D. Owen  
**Coordinator of Handbell Choirs:** Deedee Odell  
**Parish Nurses:** Patricia Hrabe and Ann Loth  
**Children's worship bags and bulletins** are in the narthex.

**Welcome Center:** Christy and Helen Olsen  
**Greeters:** Bob St. John and Delma Clarey, Janet and Chub Stewart  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Ann Roering and Sandra Hokanson  
**Sound Booth: 9:00** Lad Roering and Sandy Shirk Heath  
**11:15** Matt Fiscus, Chris J. Popp  
**Front desk reception:** Marie Alexandar

**Nursery care** for under age three is available in Rooms 135 and 137 in the upper east hall.

**KinderWorship** for ages 3-Kindergarten is in Rooms 133 and 134 in the upper east hall.

**Next Week's Lectionary:** Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b, Romans 8:22-27, John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15.



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**Worship Hours:**  
8:00am – *Worship and Communion in the Chapel*  
9:00am – *Worship in the Sanctuary*  
11:15am – *Emergent Worship in the Education Conference Center*

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***An inclusive church where all are welcome!***

**May 24, 2009**

**9:00 am**

### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE                      Look Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious!                      arr. Hart Morris  
**Richard D. Owen, piano with Scott Koon and Tina Wong, percussion**

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*HYMN OF GATHERING

(UMH) No. 698 – God of the Ages

*NATIONAL HYMN*

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

As we gather for worship, we pray that God will open the eyes of our hearts.

**We pray that our eyes will be open and our minds attentive to what God is saying to us today.**

We pray that we will come to understand the breadth and depth of God's love for us.

**God of love and power, we pray that you will indeed open the eyes of our hearts and that through our faith we will know the hope for which you have called us. We pray that you will pour out the riches of your glorious kingdom so that we will be well equipped for our ministries.**

**We ask that you make us ambassadors of your grace so that the world will know of your love and blessings. In all things O God, help us to hold each other in prayer. It is through prayer that your love is made real and your power is manifest in our lives.**

Behold, God is with us now and forever more.

**\*ACT OF PRAISE**

(UMH) No. 70 – Glory Be to the Father *MEINEKE*  
(During the singing, all children are invited to come to the Chancel steps for the pastor's time with children.)

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

**HYMN**

(UMH) No. 437 – This Is My Song *FINLANDIA*

**TO HEAR AND CELEBRATE GOD'S WORD**

EPISTLE LESSON Ephesians 1:15-23

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:44-53

GOOD NEWS FOR TODAY "This Side Up"  
Pastor Michael Wuehler

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

SHARING OUR GIFTS, TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Meditation from *Thaïs* Jules Massenet  
Tina Wong, violin

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*UMH No. 94*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**AND TO BE SENT FORTH IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*HYMN OF SENDING FORTH**

(UMH) No. 696 – America the Beautiful *MATERNA*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Thank you for being with us in worship this morning. Please join us for worship again next week.

**Calendar of Events  
May 24– May 31**

**Sunday, May 24**

- 7:45 am-12:15 Childcare, birth to 18 months-Room 135  
7:45-12:15 Childcare, 15 months to 36 months-Room 137  
**8:00 Worship and Communion - Chapel**  
**9:00 Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary**  
9:00 Adult Bible Study-Adult Library  
9:00 KinderWorship-Room 133  
10:00 Parish Nurse – Family Room  
10:15 Age 3 – Pre-K Sunday school – Room 133  
10:15 Rotational Sunday School  
Continental Breakfast – Wesley Hall  
10:15 Contemporary Issues - Room 146  
10:15 Inquiring Spirits – Hamline II  
10:15 Voluntary Simplicity – Hamline I  
**11:15 Emergent Worship – Education Conference Center**  
5:00 pm Youth Band – ECC

**Monday, May 25 Memorial Day  
Holiday – Church Closed**

**Tuesday, May 26**

- 8:00 am Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room  
12:00 pm UMW Brown Bag Lunch – Hamline  
1:00 UMW Quilters-Hamline Room  
5:00 Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room  
5:30 Men's Covenant Disciple Group – Adult Library  
5:30 Trustees – Mettam  
7:00 Finance Team – Mettam  
7:00 Community Bible Study Leaders  
Prayer Time – Room 145

**Wednesday, May 27**

- 1:00pm Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room  
7:00 pm Mid High Youth, “Power and Light” – Fireside  
7:30 Exercise Class – Wesley Hall

**Thursday, May 28**

- 7:00 am Men's Discussion Group – Room 145  
8:00 Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room

**Friday, May 29**

**Saturday, May 30**

- 11:00 am Saturday Noon Meals Social Hour and Snacks – Wesley Hall  
12:00 pm Saturday Noon Meals Family Style Meal – Wesley Hall  
**Sunday, May 31** (See Sunday, May 24)  
10:15 am All Church Piano Recital – Sanctuary  
12:15 pm Youth Band - ECC

**Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Dru Easley and the Easley family in memory of Jim Easley.** The 9:00 a.m. service airs Sundays at 11:30 am on KOLM radio, 1520AM. Please use the chart in the Commons by the Sanctuary doors to sign up for a radio broadcast, or you can sign up in the church office.

**IHN Greeting Cards** – You will find a display of handmade cards in the Commons between services today. Graduation, weddings, anniversaries, and birthdays are times to remember someone's special occasion. The donations for these cards support the work of Interfaith Hospitality Network...a ministry to homeless families.

**Saturday Noon Meals**

On Saturday, May 30, we need people to help us cook and serve the meal and to cleanup afterwards. Even if you have only an hour or so we can use your help. Please call Linda at 289-1009 or e-mail [lindakitten31@yahoo.com](mailto:lindakitten31@yahoo.com) if you can help.

**UMW Brown Bag Lunch** – Tuesday, May 26, 12:00 – 12:45 pm. Harley Flathers will present the program, “Will and Charlie Mayo. They've been gone since 1939. What do these Dr.'s think of our city today?”

**Communion Assistants Needed** – JoAnne Wayne, who has been faithfully preparing communion for our worship services, needs help in this very important ministry. Would you be willing to help? If so, please contact Joanne at 252-5993.

**In Memoriam:** Genevieve Hayden, May 20, 1923 – May 18, 2009.

**“Discover God,” All Church Retreat** – June 19-20, with activities. For all ages. Registration brochures are available in the office and on the website, [www.cumethodist.com](http://www.cumethodist.com)

**Bus to Amanda's Ordination** – The bus will be leaving at 1:45 pm on Thursday, May 28. Please arrive at 1:30 pm and park your car in the West Parking lot. The cost of the bus ride is \$20 per person. There are still a couple of seats available, with a possibility of getting a larger bus if needed. Please sign up in the church office today if you would like to go. The plan is to eat at Culver's in St. Cloud prior to the ordination ceremony, or you may bring a bag lunch.