

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:

Greeters:

Fellowship Coffee: Dave and Sue Dripps

Sound Booth: 9:00 Sandy Shirk/Heath and Chuck Handlon

11:15 Matt Fiscus, Chris J. Popp

Front desk reception: Linda Curtis

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

Next Week's Lectionary: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13, Psalm 20, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13), 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored in honor of Dick Jacobson's birthday on June 14, given by the Eager Beavers: Dave Dripps, John Grabau, Roger Hagen, Barbara Moulton and Lad Roering. 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.

Tuesday Noonday Piano Recital!

June 9, 12:20 – 12:50pm in the Sanctuary

Rochester Chamber Music Society Members

Mark Scheitel, piano, David Townsend, clarinet, Veronica Staupe, cello

Music of Brahms and Bruch

Admission is free!



400 Fifth Avenue SW
Rochester, MN 55902

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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To Live, Love and Serve as Jesus Teaches
An inclusive church where all are welcome!

June 7, 2009

9:00 am

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

Sarabanda and Giga

Domenico Zipoli

Jeffrey Daehn, guest organist

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN OF GATHERING**

(UMH) No. 64 – Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

NICAEA

***OPENING PRAYER**

How shall we be born again? How do we seek life in the spirit?

Realizing God is active in our lives and loves us with an undying love opens us to the kingdom of God.

So open your eyes and prepare your hearts for the kingdom that God is preparing for the people.

Loving God, we gather to be reborn in spirit today. Allow our eyes to see your movement in our daily lives. Open our hearts so that we can feel the same compassion for this world that you feel. Stir our souls so that we are made aware of the injustices and acts of hatred that exist around us.

Help us to give birth to a new world where body, mind and spirit coexist to serve you and your people. Encourage us each day to give our lives in love and compassion to the world that at times is hurting and broken. Teach us to speak the divine language of love so that we can encourage the faith of those around us with our words and acts of kindness.

Rejoice for we are born of water and of spirit.

***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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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.**

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

SHARING OUR GIFTS, TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Will Be Here Steven Curtis Chapman
Scott Koon

***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**

TO HEAR AND CELEBRATE GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:1-17

GOOD NEWS FOR TODAY

“Water and Spirit”

Pastor Michael Wuehler

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*(This is the Lord's Table. All who respond to the invitation are welcome.
It is our tradition to serve grape juice so that all may partake freely.
Gluten free bread is also available.)*

The Invitation

The Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Instrumental Music during Communion

Oh Christ You Are My Life

J.S. Bach

AND TO BE SENT FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN OF SENDING FORTH**

(UMH) No. 634 – Now Let Us from This Table Rise *DEUS TUORUM MILITUM*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Allegro Maestoso
Jeffrey Daehn, guest organist

Benedetto Marcello

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

Calendar of Events: June 7 – June 14

Sunday, June 7

- 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
10:00 Parish Nurse – Family Room
10:15 Age 3 – Pre-K Sunday school – Room 133
10:15 K-5th Grade Sunday school – Room 32
10:15 Contemporary Issues - Room 146
10:15 Inquiring Spirits – Hamline II
11:15 Emergent Worship – Education Conference Center
5:00 pm Youth Band – ECC
6:30 ASP Leaders Meeting-Youth room
Monday, June 8
5:30 pm Covenant Disciple Group – Homes
6:30 Labyrinth - Commons
7:30 pm Boy Scouts – Wesley Hall
Tuesday, June 9
8:00 am Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room
11:15 Hospital Visitors – Adult Library
12:20 pm Tuesday Noonday Piano Recital - Sanctuary
5:00 Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room
5:30 Men's Covenant Disciple Group – Adult Library
5:30 Leadership Council – Mettam Conference Room
7:00 Community Bible Study Leaders Prayer Time – Room 145

Wednesday, June 10

- 9:00 am Senior Fellowship – Holiday Inn South
5:15 pm Fellowship Dinner – Wesley Hall
6:00 Wednesday Celebration Service – Education Conference Center
7:00 Power and Light Mid-High Youth - Fireside
7:30 Exercise Class – Wesley Hall

Thursday, June 11

- 7:00 am Men's Discussion Group – Room 145
8:00 Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room
4:30 pm Hospitality Team – Mettam Conference Room
4:30 pm Special Coordinating & Planning Team (Neighborhood Picnic Planning) – Room 145
5:30 Lay Leadership - Mettam

Friday, June 12

- 10:00 am Rug Hooking Group – Room 146
6:00 pm – 6:00 am Mid-High Youth Lock-In - ECC

7:00 pm Taizé Service - Chapel

Saturday, June 13

- 11:00 am Saturday Noon Meals Social Hour and Snacks – Wesley Hall
12:00 pm Saturday Noon Meals Family Style Meal – Wesley Hall

Sunday, June 14 (See Sunday, June 7)

- 5:00 pm Youth Band – Education Conference Center

MID HIGH LOCK-IN: There will be a Lock-In for those going into 6th Grade, 7th Grade, 8th Grade or 9th Grade on Friday June 12 from 6 pm to 6 am June 13. We'll be giving rides home to those that need one in the morning. Activities include board games, early-morning breakfast at Perkins, going to the Taize service and more!

Those attending should bring a sleeping bag, snacks, a DVD (G, PG or PG-13), CDs they wish to play and money for the trip to Perkins. Chinese Food will be served for dinner.

Non-CUMC kids are welcome to come!

For information or to register, call Chris J. Popp at 507-280-4325 or Ray Hansen 507-285-9047.

MID HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Are you going into 6th Grade, 7th Grade, 8th Grade or 9th Grade in the fall? If so, Power & Light wants you!

Power & Light is the new Mid-High Youth Group at CUMC. We get together to play games, talk and have fun every Wednesday from 7:00 - 9:00 pm in the "Grow Show Know" room (aka Mid-High Room). Activities this summer include going to Rochesterfest, trips to ValleyFair and the Science Museum, lock-ins and more!

Non-CUMC kids are welcome to come!

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“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

June is a month full of celebrations...wedding anniversaries, graduations, birthdays and births. Remember your friends with special handmade cards which support the ministry to homeless families in Rochester through Interfaith Hospitality Network. Visit the display in the Commons between services. Thank you for your support.

New Members June 7, 2009

Don and Mary Askeland are transferring their membership from the United Methodist Church of Rolla, Missouri. Both enjoy crafts including quilting and woodworking. They especially love the music program at Christ Church.

Don and Sharon Brace are happy to connect with Christ Church. Sharon grew up in this congregation and worked at Mayo. Donald is retired from IBM. Both keep busy with volunteering and working part time. Sharon is looking forward to exploring the Tuesday Evening Bible Study this fall.

Richard Johnson was a member of Christ Church for 40 years until moving to Wisconsin. He's glad to be back as, "I just love that church!" Before retiring he worked at Prudential and enjoys volunteering, especially fundraising.

Patrick and Heather O'Connor grew up in the Rochester area. They found Christ Church because they wanted a strong children's ministry program for their children **Keyan** (2) and **Kyla** (2 months.) Heather works at Mayo and Patrick manages a tree company.

Mark Radam is returning to Christ Church after living elsewhere. He's been excited to see some of the changes at Christ Church and enjoys participating in the 11:15 worship community. In his spare time Mark volunteers at Paws and Claws.

Guide Book and Directory Update – We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the church. The book contains the Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of our Church. The book is provided at no cost to our church, including the mailing to each family, and again is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out how to advertise in our book, please call the church office.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? If you do not want to have your record published, please call the church office.

Special Summer Worship

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| Wednesdays (6:00 pm) | June 10 and 24 July 8 and 22 August 12 and 26 |
| Sundays (6:30 pm) | June 21 July 19 August 16 |

Discover God A Retreat for All

Are you looking for a way to deepen your relationship with God and with other people?
Join us for 24-hours to discover God in new ways.

- **Discover God at Work:** in the world, in your home, and in your office.
- **Discover God in You:** Learn more about your creative gifts from God.
- **Discover God's Voice:** Explore different ways to listen for God.

June 19-20, 2009 5pm-5pm.
(Suggestion: \$20/family)

Register with Pastor Amanda.