

10:00am "Traditions" Worship Service
New Year's Day
January 1, 2017

**Indicates to stand as you are able.
(UMH) United Methodist Hymnal (the red book)
(FWS) Faith We Sing (the black book)*

Music for Gathering

Words of Welcome and Grace

Rev. Elizabeth Macaulay

***Hymns** "Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"
(words by John Newton)

1 Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost,
but now I'm found
Was blind,
but now I see

(Chorus) My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood
His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

2 'Twas grace
that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

3 The Lord
has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

4 The earth
shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, Who called me here below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

"How Great Thou Art"

UMH No. 77

Children's Lesson

Children are always welcome in worship. Activities are available in the Narthex, as you enter the Sanctuary. There is also a nursery on the east side of the church, and a KinderCorner in the Narthex, just outside the Sanctuary. Our ushers are happy to assist you.

Prayers of the People

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
You hear us calling, You hear us calling,
Abba Father
You hear us calling, You hear us calling,
Abba Father**

Sharing Our Gifts

Musical Offering

"Angel's Carol"
Celebration Bells Rutter

Invitation to the Meal

Prayer Over the Meal

Sharing the Meal

(We want to welcome everyone visiting today. You are welcome to come forward to join us in communion. Our guests are always welcome. In the United Methodist tradition, we use grape juice rather than wine.)

Hearing the Word

Matthew 2: 13-23

Sermon

"The Importance of Listening"
Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

Invitation to Covenant with God

Please use this slip of paper to write your longings for this New Year and/or your commitment to God's direction in your life.

Silent Prayer

Covenant Prayer

**I am no longer my own, but yours.
Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will;
put me to doing, put me to suffering;
let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you,
exalted for you, or brought low for you;
let me be full,
let me be empty,
let me have all things,
let me have nothing:
I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things
to your pleasure and disposal.
And now, glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
you are mine and I am yours. So be it.
And the covenant now made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven.
Amen.**

***Hymns**

(see insert, front & back)

"Beautiful Things"

"Here Comes the Sun"

***Benediction**

Thank you for worshiping with us! Please join us again.

Ministers: The congregation of Christ United Methodist Church

Thank You to the 11 am Arise! Service Band for joining us today. Band members are: Cole Ebertowski (Director, Guitar, Vocals), Oliver Books (Bass, Vocals, Guitar, Harmonica), Clay Ebertowski (Guitar, Vocals), Scott Kovar (Percussion).

Prayer Opportunity: Prayer is the longing of the spirit for communion with God. If you would like someone to pray with you after the service today, a pastor will be available at the front of the Sanctuary after the postlude. We invite you to share your need with us so that we may pray with you.

Guests: please sign in on the attendance pad. If you would like us to follow up with you, please include your contact information.

Members: please sign in so we may know of your attendance. Please note the names of any guests so that you may help greet and welcome them to our family.

Congregational Prayers:

- Comfort for the people of Berlin
- Healing to the people of Aleppo
- Thanks for those who worked through the holidays
- For the Mission to Guatemala Team, as they travel to rural villages this week
- For the family and friends of Laura Phoenix, who died on December 21st

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NEW OR VISITING? We're so happy that you're here! Please visit our Welcome Center after the service to receive your gift bag. We hope to see you again. The ushers are happy to assist you!

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN: Children's worship bags/bulletins are available in the Narthex. Nursery care for children age 5 and under is available in Rooms 135 & 137 in the Upper East hallway.

SENIOR HIGH & MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS: Senior High (Senior High Room) & Middle School (Bell Room) Small Groups both meet every Sunday at 10:15am. To connect with these groups email Katy@cumethodist.com.



Hot Stuff. We will gather at 12:15pm in the Commons on Sunday, January 22nd and have a chili cook-off competition, hear reports, eat food, receive the budget for 2017, and celebrate the gifts of ministry shared in 2016! Please plan on attending and letting Gwen Ravenhorst, Office Manager, know if you are bringing chili for the contest. Otherwise, this is a pot luck, folks. You know what to do!

Cupcakes. Dancing. Puppets. Party! Come to CUMC to celebrate love & beat that mid-winter bluesy feeling with us! We'll celebrate with cupcakes, dancing, puppets, bingo, and more! Don't have a 'sweetheart' to bring along? That's more than okay. Bring a friend or make one at the event! All are welcome at Christ United Methodist Church!

Christmas Tree Recycling. On Saturday, January 7th, Boy Scout Troop 21 will be picking up Christmas trees to be recycled! Step one: email your name and address to trees@t21mn.net ASAP. Step two: put your tree at the end of your driveway by 8am on the 7th. They'll do the rest!

Young Adult Bible Study. @ Pastor Katy's new digs on January 10th, 6:30 pm. Email Katy@cumethodist.com for address/directions. Generally meets the first Tuesday and Third Mondays of the month. Dinner is provided, but bring a side dish/drink to share...or just bring yourself! Friends (and even frenemies!) are welcome.

Fight Hunger with Christ UMC. Thursday, 5 pm, Mettam (room behind the offices), January 12th. Help us figure out how to beat our 2014 peanut butter collection record out of the water with something fun and creative! We are meeting to discuss how this church can fight hunger and change lives. Please join us!

Have You Been to Faith on Tap? It's every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm, Forager Brewery! Come talk about life, the universe and everything!

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 1

9:45AM Nursery, Infant/Pre-K-Rm 135

10:00 New Year's Day Service

Hamline

Monday, January 2

(BUILDING CLOSED)

Tuesday, January 3

4:30PM Covenant Discipleship Group
-Off Site

5:30 Community Bible Study-Hamline

6:00 Young Adult Bible Study-Off Site
Adult Celebration Bells-Bell Rm

Wednesday, January 4

5:00 Children's Jubilee Bells-Bell Rm
Little Angels-Room 134

5:30 C U Wednesday-Commons

6:00 Covenant Bible Study-Mettam
TED Talks-ECC

7:00 Youth Choir-Bell Rm

8:00 Youth Bells-Bell Rm

Thursday, January 5

7:30AM Men's Discussion Group-
Rm 145

8:30 Covenant Discipleship Group-
Fam Rm

9:30 UMW Executive Board-
Fireside Rm

4:00 Small Group Bk Discussion-
Fireside Rm

5:00 Leadership Board-Mettam

6:00 Chancel Choir-Sanctuary

7:30 Christ Singers-Sanctuary

Friday, January 6

Saturday, January 7

10:00AM Band Practice-ECC

11:00 Saturday Noon Meals-Wesley

Sunday, January 8

7:45AM Nursery, Infant/Pre-K-Rm 135

8:00 Beloved Service-Chapel

8:30 UMW Fair Trade-Commons

9:00 Traditions Service-Sanctuary

9:15 Sunday School

10:15 Band Practice-ECC

Contemporary Issues-Rm 146

Inquiring Spirits-Rm 145

Pathway Singers-Sanctuary

Mid School Group-Bell Rm

Sn High Group-Youth Room

Hopeful Earth-Library

11:00 Arise! Service-ECC

12:00PM Meeting Christ Luncheon-
Fireside Rm



Guardian of this new year,

I set aside my fears, worries, concerns,

I open my life to mystery, to beauty,

To hospitality, to questions,

To the endless opportunity

Of discovering you in my relationships,

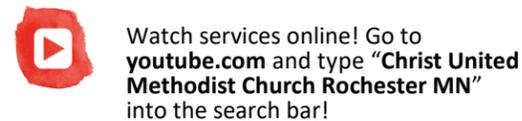
And to all the silent wisps of wonder

That will draw me to your heart.

I welcome your unfailing Presence

And walk with hope into this new year.

~Joyce Rupp



Here Comes the Sun
The Beatles

Here comes the sun (doo doo doo doo)
Here comes the sun, and I say
It's all right
Little darling, it's been a long cold lonely winter
Little darling, it feels like years since it's been here
Here comes the sun
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It's all right
Little darling, the smiles returning to the faces
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Sun, sun, sun, here it comes
Little darling, I feel that ice is slowly melting
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I wonder if I'll ever find my way
I wonder if my life could really change, at all
All this earth
Could all that is lost ever be found?
Could a garden come out from this ground, at all?
You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of the dust
You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of us
All around,
Hope is springing up from this old ground
Out of chaos life is being found, in you
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Oh, you make beautiful things
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You make me new,
You are making me new
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You are making me new
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