

Christ United Methodist Church

## Kinship and Unity

June 13, 2021

\*Indicates to stand as you are able.

(UMH) United Methodist Hymnal (the red book)

(FWS) Faith We Sing (the black book)

Prelude *Choral Prelude on RHOSYMEDRE* R.V. Williams  
John Varona, Organ

Words of Welcome & Grace Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

\*Hymn *Hymn of Promise* UMH 707

Morning Prayer Ken Bauman

Children's Lesson Jody Peterson

Hearing the Word Psalm 92 Odila Yangya

Call to Offering Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

Musical Offering *Forgive Us, Lord, as We Forgive\*\** David Ashley White  
Chancel Choir

Hearing the Word Mark 4: 30-34

Sermon "Flourishing in the Kin-dom of God"  
Rev. Kendall Hughes

Joined by Dondi McIntosh - Dondi McIntosh's mantra is one more day to get it right. He is finding purpose in his life. And is a strong advocate of Next Chapter Ministries here in Rochester.

\*Hymn *In Christ There Is No East or West* UMH 548

\*Benediction

Postlude *Psalm XIX "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God"* B. Marcello  
John Varona, Organ

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

**\*\*From our Chancel Choir**

The writer of this hymn text, Rosamond Herklots, began writing hymns later in mid-life. She apparently "wrote these words in 1966 after digging out weeds in her nephew's garden and thinking how bitterness, hatred and resentment are like poisonous weeds growing in the Christian garden of life" (hymnary.org). This hymn is a poignant reminder to each of us, that, in the Christian life, "Forgiveness is not an occasional act, but a constant attitude" (Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.).

### Musical Offering Lyrics: FORGIVE OUR SINS AS WE FORGIVE by David Ashley White

"Forgive our sins as we forgive" You taught us, Lord, to pray,  
But You alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can Your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light Your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew,  
What trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to You.

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease.  
Then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread Your peace.

## WORSHIP PREACHING SCHEDULE

### Sanctuary Worship Every Sunday at 9:00 AM

No reservations required · Join us in-person or online

#### First and Third Sundays

9:00 AM In-Person and 10:00 AM Parking Lot Worship

#### June 6 Pastor Elizabeth's Last Sunday

9:00 AM - Sanctuary & 10:00 AM - EAST Parking Lot

#### June 13, Rev. Kendall Hughes

9:00 AM - Sanctuary Worship

#### June 20 - Rev. Karen Heistand

9:00 AM - Sanctuary & 10:00 AM - EAST Parking Lot

#### June 27 - Pastors Jenny and Kirkland's first Sunday

9:00 AM - Sanctuary & 10:00 AM - EAST Parking Lot

July 4 || 9:00 AM - Sanctuary (10:00 AM Parking Lot Worship canceled)

### This Week:

- **CUMC Nursery Registry** - type this link into your web browser: <https://tinyurl.com/CUMCNurseryRegistry> to view our Amazon registry and help us fill our space with joy for our children!
- **TODAY - Children and Youth Water Balloon Fight!** Youth & friends are invited to a water war right **after church!** Bring your own suits. We will provide snacks and water balloons.
- **Are you new or nearly new? Wednesday, June 16th at 5pm in the Fireside Room** we will offer "Meeting Christ Fellowship!" There you'll be able to learn a little bit more about who we are and what we do here at CUMC.
- **Thursday 6pm - Honkers Game** We will **meet outside of Honkers Stadium at 6pm on the 17th.** You can buy your tickets in advance or at the game. Please let Grace know if you need help purchasing tickets.
- **We'd love to give the new pastors and their kids a big warm, Midwest welcome,** so Wendy Francis is assembling a welcome basket full of truly Minnesotan/Rochester goodies. We would love to add additional MN items such as the Goodnight MN children's book, Rochester history, MN daytrips, gift cards to local places, and anything else that comes to mind as "Minnesotan." **Please bring your items to the church office by June 16th,** so it is ready upon their arrival.

### Congregational Prayers:

- For those who are suffering in the heat
- Blessing for those who are newly married
- For persons serving in the military, for missionaries and others far from home



Audio induction loop systems (T loops) are available.  
To use, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

### STAFF DIRECTORY

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## Sunday June 13, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Sanctuary Worship
- 9:45am ~ Youth Water Fight (Labyrinth)
- 10:15am ~ Inquiring Spirits (Room 145)
- ~ Contemporary Issues (Room 146 & Zoom)

## Monday June 14, 2021

- 10:00am ~ Women's Connect Group (Zoom)
- 11:15am ~ Men's Discussion Group (Fireside)

## Tuesday June 15, 2021

- 1:00pm ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- 4:30pm ~ Hopeful EarthKeepers Monthly Meeting

## Wednesday June 16, 2021

- 10:00am ~ Knitting Group (WebEx)
- 5:00pm ~ Meeting Christ Fellowship
- 6:00pm ~ Celebration Bells (Sanctuary)
- ~ Gardening Team Work (Meet in East Lot)
- 7:00pm ~ Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- ~ Covenant Bible Study

## Thursday June 17, 2021

- 8am-9pm ~ UMW Spring Re-Opening
- 8:00am ~ Men's Coffee Group (Zoom)
- 8:30am ~ Gardening Team Work (Meet in East Lot)
- ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- 4:00pm ~ Women's Connect Group (Zoom)
- 5:30pm ~ Leadership Board Meeting
- 6:30pm ~ Honkers Game! (Meet at Honkers Stadium)

## Friday June 18, 2021

- 9:30am ~ UMW Book Group (Fireside Room)

## Saturday June 19, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk Sale

## Sunday June 20, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Sanctuary Worship
- 10:00am ~ Parking Lot Worship
- 10:15am ~ Inquiring Spirits (Room 145)
- 10:30am ~ Contemporary Issues (Zoom)
- 11:00am ~ Third Sunday Forum

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

### FAMILY ACTIVITIES

#### Honkers Game - June 17 at 6:30pm

We will meet at Mayo Park then watch the game together.  
Grandstand seats are \$12 at the game or \$10 in advance.

#### Rochesterfest - June 23 at 5pm

Family night is Wednesday, June 23rd!

All members are invited to go to family night together and get food.  
We will meet at Soldier's Field Park at 5pm. Look for Grace!

#### Rochesterfest Parade - June 26 at 2pm

We will watch the parade together!  
Grace will save a spot along the parade route.



## ALL CHURCH CAMPOUT

August 13 - 15

You can join us at the campsite, book your own, or join us part of the time. The church bus will bring people for the day on Saturday, August 14.

Sign Up TODAY!

[tinyurl.com/AllChurchCamp2021](https://tinyurl.com/AllChurchCamp2021)



## Christ United Methodist Church

Creating committed Christ Followers  
for the transformation of the world.

What we all want to create is a community of kinship such that God in fact might recognize it.

Mother Theresa might have diagnosed the world's ills correctly when she said "The problem with the world is that we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

How do we stand against the idea that there just might be lives out there that matter less than other lives?

How do we create a circle of compassion? And then imagine no one outside of that circle? And then move to the edge of the circle and stand with those whose dignity has been denied, those who have been marginalized, those whose burdens are more than they can bear?

Occasionally you get very fortunate and are able to stand with those who are easily despised and readily left out, with the demonized, so that the demonizing will stop, and with the disposable, so that the day will come when we stop throwing people away.

How can we achieve a certain kind of kinship that stands in awe of what the poor have to carry, rather than in judgment of how they carry it?

~ Greg Boyle, *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship*

*With open hearts, open minds and open doors, we welcome people of all races, nationalities, theologies and abilities. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We offer a safe and compassionate place to reconcile faith, identity, hope, understanding and mutual respect.*

*We welcome you and name the sacred power of the Wahpeton people on whose land we stand.*