



Christ United Methodist Church
11th Sunday After Pentecost

August 8, 2021

Prelude *Légende Pastorale Opus 138* Benjamin Godard
John Varona, organ & David Townsend, clarinet

Words of Welcome & Grace Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

***Hymn** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* UMH 557

Morning Prayer, ending in the Lord's Prayer Dr. Warren Thompson

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.

Anthem *Here I Am, Lord*
Karen Fields, soloist

Children's Lesson Jody Peterson

Call to Offering

Musical Offering *Come and Find the Quiet Center*
Karen Fields, soloist

Hearing the Word Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Message "Remembering Our Purpose"
Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

***Hymn** *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* FWS 2223

***Benediction**

Postlude *Sonata K.V. 370* W.A. Mozart
John Varona, organ & David Townsend, clarinet

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

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

Reflections on today's message
United Methodist Book of Worship 526

For the World and Its Peoples

O God, you are the hope of all the ends of the earth,
the God of the spirits of all flesh.
Hear our humble intercession for all races and families on earth,
that you will turn all hearts to yourself.
Remove from our minds hatred, prejudice, and contempt
for those who are not of our own race or color, class or creed,
that, departing from everything that estranges and divides,
we may by you be brought into unity of spirit, in the bond of peace.
Amen.
(Church of Scotland, 20th Cent. Alt.)

Radio broadcast sponsored by
Rev. Nancy and Chuck Wheeler Handlon
In honor of their 35th wedding anniversary

Announcements:

- **Mask policy has changed to reflect current recommendations**
 - **Masks are currently required in the building if you are vaccinated or unvaccinated.** Face masks are located at church building entrances. Hand sanitizer is available throughout our building
 - **If you are feeling sick,** please refrain from entering the building
 - **Maintain physical distancing** of at least 6 feet
 - **Wash your hands** often or use hand sanitizer
 - **Sanitize** meeting areas before and after use
- **The Monthly Breakfast Fellowship** at Charlie's Diner is scheduled for this Wednesday - **August 11th at 8:30am.**
- **All Church Campout this Weekend!** All overnight camping spots are filled, but join us for a day trip on Saturday. We're at Whitewater State Park in Group Campsite A.

Congregational Prayers:

- For the family of Luverne Kothenbeutel
- For those who feel far from God
- Blessing for law enforcement and fire fighters
- Gratitude for caring neighbors
- For those who are sick with Covid



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Sunday August 8, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Sanctuary Worship
- 10:00am ~ Inquiring Spirits (Room 145)
- ~ Contemporary Issues (Room 146)

Monday August 9, 2021

- 11:15am ~ Monday Men's Discussion Group (Library)

Tuesday August 10, 2021

- 8:30am ~ Parish Ministry Meeting (Mettam)
- 1:00pm ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- ~ UMW Quilters (Wesley Hall)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Wednesday August 11, 2021

- 8:30am ~ Monthly Breakfast Fellowship (Charlie's Diner)
- 10:00am ~ Knitting Group (WebEx)
- 6:00pm ~ Youth Group (Youth Room)
- 7:00pm ~ Covenant Bible Study (Zoom)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Thursday August 12, 2021

- 8:00am ~ Men's Coffee Group (Room 145)
- 8:30am ~ Gardening Team Work (Meet in East Lot)
- ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- 4:00pm ~ Women's Connect Group (Zoom)
- 7:00pm ~ Circle 4 Meeting (WebEx)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Friday August 13, 2021

- All Church Camping Trip
- 10:00am ~ Rug Hooking Group (Room 145)
- ~ Women & the Sacred (Fireside)

Saturday August 14, 2021

- All Church Camping Trip
- 7:30am ~ Saturday Noon Meals (Prep at CUMC, serve at the Landing)
- 9:00am ~ Gardening Team Work

Sunday August 15, 2021

- All Church Camping Trip
- 9:00am ~ Sanctuary Worship
- 10:00am ~ Third Sunday Forum (ECC)



Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk Sales will return!

Time: 9am-12pm, masks required
Saturday, August 21 (Half Off!!)

Location: West Entrance

Come shop outdoors and bring your lightly used spring & summer clothing for our donation bin!

Give online: CCB, our church database lets you manage your giving and see your statements in real time at <https://cumethodist.ccbchurch.com>

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- **Beginning in September** "The New Spirit" monthly newsletter will be focused on Digital distribution to cut down on our environmental footprint. If you would still like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter please call the church office 507-289-4019 or send an email to oliver@cumethodist.com
- **Summer Worship Schedule:** In lieu of parking lot worship, our Arise band will be part of 9am sanctuary worship on the 3rd Sunday August. We anticipate the return of the 11am Arise service in the ECC this September. Thanks to everyone who has been a part of our many forms of worship. Stay cool this summer!
- **Apollo Music Festival - August 28, at 3:00pm ~ Sanctuary** Every year, for two weeks leading up to labor day, the Apollo Music Festival facilitates concerts for south eastern Minnesota featuring musicians from around the country. This year Christ United Methodist Church are among the proud hosts for these renowned musicians. This concert is free, and made possible through a grant from the MN State Arts Board
- **The Saturday Noon Meals program is looking for volunteers** to assist with meal preparation on **Saturday mornings**. If you are interested please contact Kathy Lombardo at Kathryn.lombardo@gmail.com
- **The new nursery** is looking to fill up its shelves with enriching activities for our children! We have an Amazon registry created so that you can help our Nursery shine! Just type: [tinyurl.com/CUMCNurseryRegistry](https://www.amazon.com/registry/ref=ARegistry?pf_rd_p=81111111-1111-1111-1111-111111111111) into your web browser.



Christ United Methodist Church

Creating committed Christ Followers
for the transformation of the world.

From the Introduction to Ephesians from

The Message

By Eugene H. Peterson

“What we know about God and what we do for God have a way of getting broken apart in our lives. The moment the organic unity of belief and behavior is damaged in any way, we are incapable of living out the full humanity for which we were created.”

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.