

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Words

Opening Music

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go - Indelible Grace

Sharing Christ's Peace

Children's Message

Commissioning Lay Caregivers

Prayers of the People

(scan QR code to submit your prayers for the screen)



Invitation to Give

All You Need is Love - The Beatles

Hearing the Word

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 & Mark 12:28-31

Paul Harkess - First Nations Version

Song

Give a Little Bit - Supertramp

Message - Love is the Way

Litany of Commitment

Prayer & Candlelighting

Share then Well - Caedmon's Call

Prayer of Gratitude

Closing Music

Hold Us Together - Matt Maher

Blessing

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS



**Blessing the Animals Service**  
**Soldiers Field Park**  
**October 17 ~ 3pm**

*Bring your dogs, cats, lizards, hamsters or any other beloved animals that can be safely transported to our Blessing of the Animals service at Soldiers Field Park.*

*You are also welcome to bring a photo of your pet or join us without an animal and be part of the fun.*

**ASP Information Meeting - today at 4:30pm**, we will have an informational session in the ECC. Please come, please invite friends to come and come even if you can't go on ASP this year but want to be part of supporting the teams. Due to the pandemic, we have lost two years of storytellers recruiting new people to our ASP mission teams.

**There will be no CU Wednesdays children or youth activities this week in observance of MEA weekend**

**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**East Parking Lot**  
**400 5th Ave SW Rochester, MN**

**Sunday, October 24 • 3:30-5pm**  
**Trunk or Treating • Games • Haunted Hallway • Music & Dancing**

**Trunk or Treat** is a fun and safe way to show off costumes, trick or treat, dance, play, and join your community in this spooktacular annual Halloween event! All Ages welcome to join the fun. If you'd like to decorate a trunk and hand out candy, please arrive for setup at 3pm. Trunk or Treat will be in the east parking lot, and extra activities will be in our labyrinth.

**All Saints Sunday** You are invited to attend our special in-person or online All Saints Sunday service on Sunday, November 7th 2021 at 9:00 or 11:00 am. We will name, remember, and celebrate our saints who have gone before us.

**We're looking for writers and creators of all ages for our Advent Devotional** as we reflect on the theme of Thresholds: Entering the Christmas Story. Written reflections (200 words or less) drawings, photos or poetry are all ways you can participate and we'll offer a scripture to help inspire your work. Contact the church office to sign up. Submissions are due by Nov. 1.

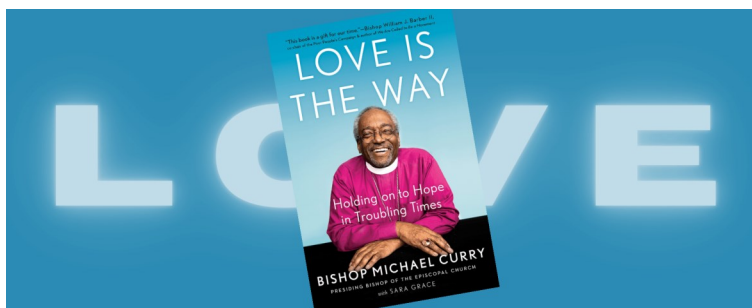
**We're Hiring! Apply Today to Join Our Team.** Christ UMC is hiring for our Director of Youth Ministries position, which is 30 hours per week. The Director of Youth Ministries supports CUMC's mission by fostering an engaging, fun, safe and inclusive environment for youth faith formation. Head over to our website for details: [cumethodist.com/career-opportunities](http://cumethodist.com/career-opportunities). Contact Pastor Kirkland to apply or for more info.

**Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk Sales are coming!** Join us for Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk sales on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of November from 9am-Noon. We are appreciative of all the amazing donations we have been getting. We are looking for warm coats and jackets for all ages and for cold weather clothing in child and teen sizes. We will move inside during inclement weather.

## Volunteer positions available!

- **Lay Readers in Worship** - We want to give everyone a chance to participate in worship. If you would like to read a passage from scripture during the service email Pastor Jenny at [pastorjenny@cumethodist.com](mailto:pastorjenny@cumethodist.com)
- **A/V Team Members** - We are looking for folks of all ages who want to learn new technology skills! We are seeking slide advancers, video helpers, and sound board operators. If you are interested contact Oliver in the church office at [oliver@cumethodist.com](mailto:oliver@cumethodist.com)

October 17, 2021



So don't give up on love.

Listen to it.

Trust it.

Give into it.

Obey it.

Love can help and heal when nothing else can. Love can lift up and liberate when nothing else will. May God love you and bless you. And may God hold us all in those almighty hands of love.

~ Bishop Michael Curry

*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.

## CUMC Caring Ministry Lay Caregivers:

**Parish Ministers:** Jeff Ward, Deedee Odell, Terry Anderson, Noralyn Carpenter

**Lay Visitors:** Elaine Bauman, Glenn and Linda Roberts, Deb Jensen, Diane Houdek, Gwen Scilley, Ann McGuire

**Van Ministry:** Glenn Roberts, Del Lawson, Patrick Hokanson, Randy Peterson, Jenna Benson, Kathy Stettler

**Callers:** Elaine Bauman, Chuck Handlon



Give in-person in the Narthex after the service, online at [cumethodist.com/give](http://cumethodist.com/give) or by scanning the QR Code



### *Green Tip of the Week from EarthKeepers:*

"We must protect the forests for our children, grandchildren and children yet to be born. We must protect the forests for those who can't speak for themselves such as the birds, animals fish, and trees." - Qwatsinas, Nuxalk Nation



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## PRAYER REQUESTS

Scan the QR Code (*right*) or head to [menti.com/32bfdowxrh](https://menti.com/32bfdowxrh) to share your prayer request with the congregation

