

Order of Worship

Welcome

Opening Song *Maybe It's Okay*

Children's Message Jody Peterson

Following the children's message children preschool through 3rd grade are invited to attend Sunday School in the education wing. Children will return to worship before the end of the service.

Prayers of the People

Scan QR code to submit your prayers to display on screen during worship



Invitation to Give

*Head Full of Doubt/Road Full of Promise
by Avett Brothers*

Scripture

John 5:1-9
Luke 5:17-26

Message

"To Tell the Truth:
God Helps Those Who Help Themselves? "
Rev. Jenny Cannon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Holy Communion & Candlelighting

All are welcome to receive communion, which is served with bread and nonalcoholic grape juice. Gluten free also available.

Holy Now

Prayer of Gratitude

Closing Song *Made New*

Connections & Next Steps

Blessing

Congregational Prayers

- For the witness of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. & the ongoing work for racial justice
- For John Varona and his ministry
- For peace in Ukraine, The Middle East and other areas of conflict



Welcome to Christ UMC. We are glad you are here!

Children in Worship Children are always welcome in worship. Activity packs are available at both ECC entrances. A nursery play space with a live stream of the worship service is open throughout the morning and is adjacent to the church office.

MLK Day Community Celebrations Be a part of Rochester's community activities commemorating Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. On Monday, January 15 the Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce and NAACP Rochester branch will hold events that include a Freedom March & Freedom Rally. Register at <https://business.rochestermnchamber.com/events>

Office Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day The church office will be closed Monday, January 15th in observance of MLK Day. Please contact the church office with questions.

How Civil Wars Start and How to Stop Them Join Reverend Gary Lueck in searching for answers on how to stop civil wars with the book, "How Civil Wars Start: And How to Stop Them" by Barbara F. Walter. Sessions will be Sundays, January 14, 21, 28 & February 4, 4:30 – 6:00pm, in-person in Room 145 & on Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89588011310?pwd=b3JiSVNtUCthQzV4aWZ1dmdqOGIudz09#success>). Meeting ID: 895 8801 1310. Passcode: stopwars. The book can be purchased from any bookseller.

Scripture Readers Schedule Would you like to read scripture in worship? All reading ages are welcome & training is available. Contact Pastor Jenny to make sure you are on our reading schedule this new year.

Winter Worship Series We kick off our Winter Worship Series entitled "To Tell the Truth-Christian Cliches & What the Bible Doesn't Say" today. We'd love to hear some of the Christian cliches and sayings that you're familiar with too. Email your favorite or questionable Christian clichés to samantha@cumethodist.com.

Thrift on Fifth January Sale Our store has gotten full again despite our best efforts. We're therefore planning a January Sale; half price on everything from January 6th through January 20th.



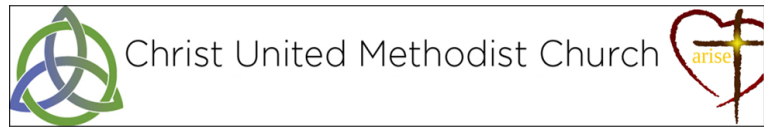
Annual Meeting Feb. 4, 2024 We invite you to our annual church conference meeting, which will be on Sunday, February 4 following our two worship services. The theme this year is "All You Need Is

Love." The meeting begins with a community potluck meal and we will begin our annual meeting work at 12:30pm. Contact Pastors Jenny or Kirkland for more info.



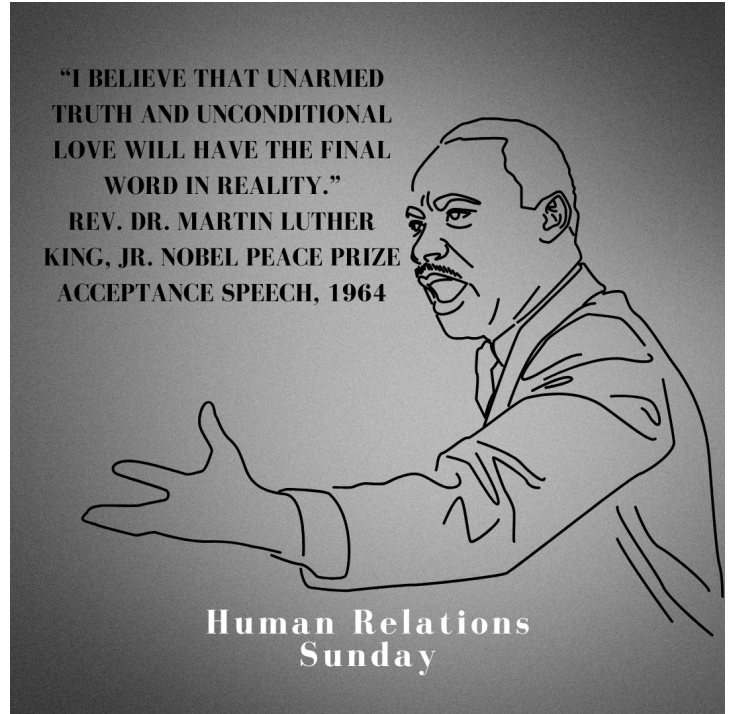
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11am Arise Worship

January 14, 2024



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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