



UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF ANOKA
Providing Hope to Our Community

Welcome to Worship

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Being in Relationship

***Please stand as you are able.**

PRELUDE

My Faith Still Holds by William J. Gaither

INTROIT

His Eye Is On the Sparrow arr. by James P. Colman
Kristen Ruesges, Solo

WELCOME

Pastor Karen Evenson

***HYMN**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (UMH 89 v. 1-3)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*S. Garnaas-Holmes*)

Leader: Creator of all, God, we open ourselves to the gift of all Creation.

All: Jesus Christ, Beloved of God, have mercy on us, for we need you.

Leader: Loving Christ, we open our arms to your love and your healing.

All: Jesus Christ, Beloved of God, have mercy on us, for we need you.

Leader: Holy Spirit, come fill us with your power and your grace.

All: Jesus Christ, Beloved of God, have mercy on us, for we need you. We worship in gratitude, in trust and in joy.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, open us to your way of seeing, hearing, and knowing. Remind us to reach out, and to keep reaching out to you, and to all. This day, as your Word is proclaimed, let our hearts and souls respond with joy. Transform our lives to do your will. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We think we want to be healed of the things that afflict us, God, but actually we have become so comfortable in our so-called failings, that we have a hard time seeing that we can be okay. It's as though we are living in a cave, and rather than take a risk to face the light, we prefer to face the dark wall. Give us courage to take risks which will result in not only our own transformation, but also the transformation opportunities for others. Forgive our stubborn insistence on living in our own ways. Lead us in your love and light. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Pastor: Turn and see the light of God's love. It is lavished upon you. You have been healed and made whole in God's love. Be at peace and rejoice!

KIDS MESSAGE

(Kids of all ages are invited to join the pastor up front)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Now Thank We All Our God arr. by Jason W. Krug
Jubilee Bells Jr.

PASTORAL PRAYER

A MOMENT TO SHARE THE STORY

Laurie Erickson

***HYMN**

People Need the Lord ~ Verses sung by Kristen Ruesges

SCRIPTURE READING

Job 42:1-6 and Mark 10:46-52 (NRSVUE)

MESSAGE

"Restored"
Pastor Karen Evenson

OFFERING

Peace and Harmony by Kurt Meyer
Jubilee Bells Jr.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH 94)

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***HYMN**

O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (UMH 57, v 1, 2, 5, 7)

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

From God Shall Naught Divide Me by J.C. Bach

**November 3, 2024
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Day**

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 and Mark 12:28-34

"Remembering... True Love"

Message by Pastor Karen Evenson

(as part of our 2024-25

"In Relationship" theme)



Worship Hospitality Team

Certified Lay Minister ~ John Lloyd
Choral Conductor ~ George Chu
Coffee/Donut Steward ~ Scott Evenson
Communion Steward ~ Jim January
Deaconess ~ Kim Harris
Discipleship Coordinator ~ Adam Breiner
Greeters ~ Harry and Judy Argetsinger
Music Ensembles ~ Kathy Chojnacki
Nursery Coordinator and Volunteer ~ Amanda Harris and Brianna Bunting
Organist ~ Marilyn Tice
Pastor ~ Rev. Karen Evenson
Praise Team Coordinator ~ Kelvin Paye
Scripture Reader ~ Candy Gislason
Sunday School Leader ~ Adam Breiner
Ushers ~ David Blincow, Gail Sanstad, Joyce Buffington, Roxy Crane, and Mark Worst
Welcome Center ~ Colleen Capuzzi
Worship Tech ~ Dallas Berry

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

UMCA Office Hours: 10:00am - 2:00pm ~ Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Or by appointment, please contact us at:

Phone: 763-421-2378 | Email: umcanoka@gmail.com

Wednesday, October 30, 2024
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10:30am New Testament Bible Study with Pastor Stephen

6:00pm Jubilee Bells Rehearsal

6:30pm Youth Group

7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 31, 2024

8:00am Thursday Book Group at Bakers Square

9:30am Bring Your Bible ~ In-Person & Zoom

Sunday, November 3, 2024

SUNDAY SERVICE

All Saints Sunday

9:30am Worship (In-Person & Online)

11:00am Methodist Christianity Class

*Please contact the office if you have questions
or to get connected to any of the Groups or Zoom meetings*

OCTOBER

Ministry Highlights

Community Ministries: Alexandra House, The Drawer, Stepping Stone, and Toys for Joy



The mission of Alexandra House is to empower victims of domestic and sexual violence, and inspire social change through education, support, and advocacy.



The Drawer: Provides Warmth and Dignity through socks and underwear. Donate socks and undergarments all month long!



A Homeless Shelter, And So Much More
Whether shelter is needed for a few nights or a few months, all Stepping Stone residents are treated with dignity and respect and have their basic needs met. This means a bed and linens to call their own, three meals per day, showers, laundry facilities, and even clothing and toiletries when needed.



Send a smile this holiday season.

New Toys for Children
of all ages up to the age of 18.
Please bring the toys
to the Community Room.

Cash & Check donations are also Welcome.