



UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH OF ANOKA  
*Providing Hope to Our Community*

# Welcome to Worship!

Sunday, May 11, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter: Good Shepherd Sunday

“Feeding and Tending God’s Sheep”

Worship Theme: Being in Relationship

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

## PRELUDE

*Shepherd of Love* arr. by Marilyn Arison

## WELCOME

Pastor Karen Evenson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *(based on Psalm 23 and John 10)*

Leader: Christ is risen!

**All: Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: Christ, our shepherd, you call to us.

**All: Lead us to your heart.**

Leader: Receive our old ways and grant us new life.

**All: Guide us in the ways of peace.**

Leader: Christ, our gentle shepherd, lead us in your ways.

**All: So we can serve you in love.**

Leader: You are with us, from our first cry to our last, from moment to moment, through it all.

**All: We will work to nurture others, in the ways you love and care for us. No exceptions.**

**We sing and pray today in your presence, in the spirit of the Great Shepherd. Amen.**

## \*HYMN

*I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry* (TFWS 2051)

## LITANY FOR MOTHERS AND ALL WHO NURTURE OTHERS

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## KIDS MESSAGE

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

## JOINING OF NEW MEMBERS

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*Above All* by Paul Baloche and Lenny Leblanc  
Kelvin Paye and Steve Moen; UMCA Praise Team

## MOMENT TO SHARE THE STORY

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### \*HYMN

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* (UMH 381)

### SCRIPTURE READING

**Psalm 23** CEB (Common English Bible)

### MESSAGE

***“The Lord is My Shepherd”***

Pastor Karen Evenson

### OFFERING

*What a Beautiful Name* by Hillsong Worship  
Kelvin Paye and Steve Moen; UMCA Praise Team

### \*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

*Go Now in Peace* (UMH 665)

### PASSING PEACE TO ALL OF GOD’S PEOPLE

*From one to another, “May God’s peace be with you (and also with you).”*

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Sing a New Song* by Edward Broughton

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**May 18, 2025**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter and UMCA Music Sunday**

**Revelation 21:1-6**

***“A Whole New World”***

Message by Pastor Karen Evenson

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## WORSHIP NOTES:



## **Worship Hospitality Team**

Choral Conductor ~ George Chu  
Coffee/Donut Steward ~ Carole Davidson and Cassie Johnson  
Congregational Care Coordinator ~ *To be prayerfully determined*  
Greeters ~ Lisa Hamilton and Will Hamilton  
Music Ensembles ~ Kathy Chojnacki  
Nursery Coordinator and Volunteer ~ Amanda Harris and Meredith Berry  
Organist ~ Marilyn Tice  
Pastor ~ Rev. Karen Evenson  
Praise Team Coordinator ~ Kelvin Paye  
Scripture Readers ~ Congregation  
Sunday School Teacher and Assistant ~ Adam Breiner and Greg Veum  
Ushers ~ David Blincow, Gail Sanstad, Joyce Buffington, Roxy Crane and Mark Worst  
Welcome Center ~ Bev and Dean Summerbell  
Worship Tech ~ Dallas Berry

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## **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](mailto:umcanoka@gmail.com)

Monday, May 12, 2025	1:00-6:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive
Wednesday, May 14, 2025	10:30am New Testament Study - Rev. Stephen Perry 6:30pm Youth Group 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, May 15, 2025	8:00am Thursday Book Group at Bakers Square 9:30am Bring Your Bible ~ In-Person & Zoom
Friday, May 16, 2025	10:00am Men's Breakfast at Pappy's Cafe in Andover
Sunday, May 18, 2025	<b>SUNDAY SERVICE AND MUSIC SUNDAY</b> 9:30am Worship (In-Person & Online) 9:45am Sunday School

\*Please contact the office to get connected to any of the Groups or Zoom meetings\*

# May Ministry Highlight



Each year, churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference take a **Love Offering** for missions in conjunction with our Annual Conference.

The theme of the 2025 Annual Conference—which will take place June 11-13—is “Created for Love.”

Our Love Offering theme this year is “**Love in Action.**” Bishop Lanette Plambeck invites congregations to pray about and participate in the Love Offering as we put love into action.

This year’s Love Offering will go to:

- Africa University for student scholarships (30%)
- Immigration Law and Justice Network (30%)
- OC Ministries (20%)
- Midwest Mission (20%)

We will also collect supplies and kits for Midwest Mission and the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

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## WORSHIP NOTES:

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**Scan QR Code to connect to our website for more information on the church, to donate or view our weekly bulletin:**

