

Our Vision

*We are an urban, intergenerational, inclusive,
and welcoming Christian fellowship woven
into the fabric of our community.*

Our Staff

Pastor	Rev. Linda McCollough
Ministers	All the Congregation
Office Manager	Martha Bentley
Music Director	Elaine Hill
Organist	Sharon Ruhnke
Bell Choir Director	Karen Schneider

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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 9, 2018 – Rally Day!

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship in Social Hall
- 11:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic

Monday, September 10, 2018

- 2:30 p.m. Chair Yoga
- 5:30 p.m. Community Meal

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

- 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. Confirmation at Faith UMC
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 14, 2018

- 9:00 a.m. Rummage Sale

Saturday, September 15, 2018

- 9:00 a.m. Rummage Sale

Sunday, September 16, 2018

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship in Social Hall

Fall Bible Study

This fall, starting **September 19th** at 6:15pm, we will examine Marcus Borg's book, 'Speaking Christian'. We will look at the core language of Christianity, including salvation, belief, faith, redemption and other key words and concepts that form an integral part of how we think and communicate about Christianity. A main focus of the study will be to better understand what these words meant when they were written and, what they meant to the early Church. Reading assignments will be short, and discussions lively as we spend six weeks digging in to some fundamentals of Christianity. Please RSVP to the church office – so that we know how many books to order.

Notes

Thank you to our Worship Team

- Pastor:** Rev. Linda McCollough
- Greeters:** Ivan, Kristine and Ian Rodriguez
- Liturgist:** James Bordewick
- Music Leaders:** Organist - Sharon Ruhnke
 Bell Choir - Karen Schneider
 Music Director – Elaine Hill
- Sound System:** Andy Bixler/James Bordewick

Thank you to our musicians today: Les Johnson, Sara Oldenburg.

Announcements

Rummage Sale Reminder!

The Fall Rummage Sale is coming up fast! The rummage sale will be held Friday, September 14th from 9-5 and Saturday, September 15th from 9-1.

We are in dire need for things to sell. Please talk to friends and relatives and let them know that we would gladly accept items they no longer want. We can pick them up if necessary.

Please bring your items to the church. We will have someone at church from 9-2 on Saturday, Sept. 8th. Please deliver items directly to the stage if possible. Otherwise, place them in the room under the church office.

We also want to have a large bake sale this year, so please bring your goodies in for our Bake Sale.

Help will be needed for the all the work involved to make this another success! Sign up sheets will be available before and after church on August 26th and September 2nd.

Some Exciting News!!!

In order to make our space more useful and family friendly we are changing what used to be called the “Nursery” into a “Family Room”. It will now be a space where, if needed, anyone with an infant or small children (not in Sunday school) can sit and listen to the service in a more child friendly environment. We are getting some new furniture and toys and sprucing it up a bit. We will no longer have volunteers staffing the room.

Please stop by and see it on Rally Day! Painting is complete, and new furniture is coming.

Karen Schneider and Brenda McCoy

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September 9, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.

A time of quiet reflection is appreciated as we gather for worship. During this time, you may wish to use one of the prayer slips at the end of each pew to request a prayer to be lifted up during the service.

Welcome and Announcements

Chimes

Prelude

“Praise The Lord”

G. Phillip Telemann

* Gathering Words

This is the day that God has made; may we rejoice and be glad in it!

This is the day our hearts come filled with the newness of our new season! May our spirits be renewed and refreshed.

When we gather together, we team up our spirits, our hearts, our minds uniting as One Body!

The role of our faith and worshipping together are serving God uniting us. May we be One team. May we join and actively be God’s team! God’s love!

* Hymn

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Black Hymnal #2173

* Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able

Prayer to Begin

Gracious God, we come together as a congregation to learn more about you, to serve the community as your people, to gain a deeper sense of our roles for you and to fulfill them. May we grow more in love with you, God, and more in love with all of our neighbors. Guide us to embody your love, your

grace and your mercies to extend beyond our lives to those around us. When our hearts separate from you, let us be reminded of your love's unconditional purposes now and forever. Call us back to you! Amen.

Prayer Song

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" BlackHymnal #2193

Prayer for the World

God, your intention of knowing every detail of our lives, from the number of hairs on our heads to the tears we drop. You know when lives are lost or damaged by tragedies, weather challenges and natural disasters. When hatred seems like the loudest voices heard and demonstrated, help us to outshine those voices with love, peace and hope to the world that so desperately needs to hear and listen. May we always be reminders that blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be named children of God. Amen

Anthem

"A Great Day in Gloryland" Will Thompson

Children's Time: God's Team!

Children are invited to use the activity tables during the worship service

Presentation: Prayers and Blessing for the year ahead!

Scripture

James 2:1-10, 14-17

Colossians 4:2-8

The words inspired by God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon *"Joining God's Team, one piece at a time"*

*** Hymn**

"Together We Serve" Black Hymnal #2175

Our Time of Prayer

Sharing of the Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Red Hymnal #895

"Our (Father, Mother, God, Creator) ..."

please use whichever name you find meaningful.

Offertory

"Serenade" Joseph Haydn

Doxology

Red Hymnal #95

Prayer of Dedication

O Holy One, your gifts and giving to us far exceed what we can ask or imagine. May we begin this autumn season with a heart of generosity, living more boldly in our sharing of our time, talents and tithes. Guide our giving to be about what we have and what we share, expanding your kingdom of heaven on earth in new ways. Grant us hearts for your purposes in our offerings. Remind us that we are pieces to make your world whole! Amen.

*** Sending Hymn**

"Great is the Lord" Black Hymnal #2022

Benediction

Postlude

"Olympic Fanfare" John Williams