

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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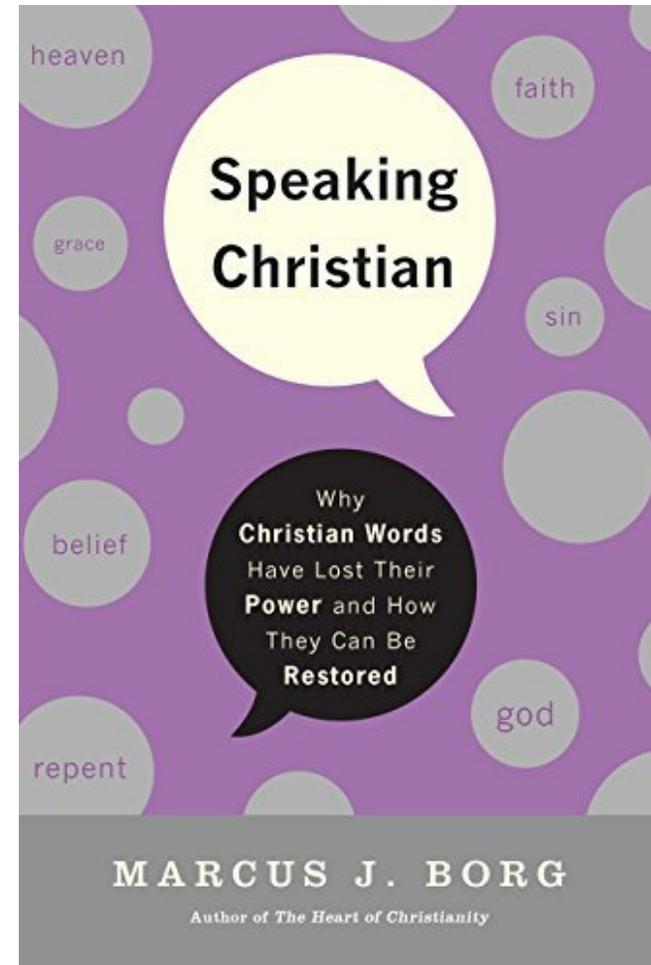
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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 16, 2018

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

Monday, September 17, 2018

- 2:30 p.m. Chair Yoga

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

- 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. Pot Luck Supper
- 6:15 p.m. Adult Study
- 6:15 p.m. Confirmation at Faith UMC
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 20, 2018

- Newsletter Articles due for October
- 10:00 a.m. River Rats
- 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir

Sunday, September 23, 2018

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

Thank you to our Worship Team

- Pastor:** Rev. Linda McCollough
- Greeters:** Merle Jacobson and Kay Reese
- Liturgist:** Les Johnson
- Music Leaders:** Organist - Sharon Ruhnke
Bell Choir - Karen Schneider
Music Director - Elaine Hill
- Sound System:** Andy Bixler/James Bordewick

Got an eye for photography and pride in your community?



Photo submissions are being accepted now through Oct 1 to be considered for the Columbia Heights Library Photo Exhibit going on display this December in celebration of the library's 90th anniversary!

90th Anniversary Photo Exhibit: Submit by Mon, Oct 1

Submission Instructions and Guidelines:

- There is no entry fee to participate
- Open to residents and non-residents alike
- Participants can enter up to five images total.
- Images must be of people, landmarks, or activities in the public or quasi-public realm in Columbia Heights, and taken within the last five years. If there are identifiable people in a photo taken in a non-public space, it is the photographer's responsibility to obtain permission to use the photo.
- Images may be in color or monochrome (black-and-white or sepia-tone)
- Image files should be a minimum of 2000 pixels on the longest side up to about 3 MB in file size per image. Higher resolution (200 or 300 dpi) images provide the most flexibility in reproduction.
- JPEG (.jpg) file format only
- No hard copy submissions will be accepted—only emails submitted to Art@MyNortheast.com.
- If you do not have email or have trouble sending email, you may bring a thumb drive to the Northeast office, 2844 Johnson St. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, weekdays between 8 am and 3 pm in order to transfer your images

- Send only one image per email.
- Ownership of images: Artists retain ownership, but City of Columbia Heights receives permission to use the image in the exhibit and the exhibit's promotion, in the city's communications and publications with proper credit, and in future calls for art. Northeast newspaper and other media may use the images in reporting about the exhibit, in print and online.

When submitting images, PLEASE INCLUDE:

- "CH Images" in the subject line, with your name as it will appear on the exhibit label
- Label each image with the title of the piece (for the exhibit label)
- In the body of the email: Your contact information and the general location where the photo was taken. You may also write up to 50-word explanations to go with each of your images. Titles and verbiage will not be considered in the judging, but may be included in the exhibit.

Sponsored by the Columbia Heights Public Library Board, its Public Art Advisory Committee, and the Northeast newspaper.

Email submissions to: Art@MyNortheast.com

Announcements

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.

Smorgasbord – North UMC

Thursday, September 20th from 5 – 7 PM, North UMC (4350 Fremont Ave N, Minneapolis) is having their annual Smorgasbord. This meal includes Ham, AuGratin Potatoes, Swedish Meatballs, Baked Beans, Rice Pudding, Deviled Eggs, Potato Salad, beverages and dessert. Adults: \$10, Kids 5-11: \$4, Kids under 5, Free.

Notes

Community United Methodist Church

September 16, 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

“Come, Come, Ye Saints”

folk hymn/Mark Kellner

* Gathering Words

Welcome to the place where we can be ourselves, where God is present. We call on the Holy Spirit to move in this place now!

O God, grant us the eyes to see you in others. Guide our language and actions to be messengers for your work.

You call us your own, yet some days we aren't anxious to be called upon. It is easier to try our own paths.

God, we know the words sometimes have meanings different from when we use them. Teach us new ways to speak the ancient ways and words. Help us, so we can expand your Kingdom of Heaven on Earth! Amen!

* Hymn

“The Summons”

Black Hymnal #2130

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

Prayer to Begin

Gracious God, when our ways become rigid, expectations that others will follow what we want, then, help us to loosen the grip we try to hold on them. God, as we grasp for control of things that are

not ours to choose, let us open our hearts so that we can see the ways others have as meaningful outcomes, too. When the words we use become weapons and destructive toward others, forgive us. Remind us, God, of our role in the reciprocal part of loving you and loving others. When others words hurt us, let our wounds be healed through the power of our forgiveness toward them. We come this morning, through our prayers to unite together and find you in this time of silence now . . .

Prayer Song

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

Prayer for the World

Merciful One, our seas and weather churn, conflicts arise between people and nations. The natural disasters occur and devastate lives and homes. May we know that you are still God! When the challenges of discontent seem the loudest voices, may we be the light that shines brighter. Guide us to be the city on the hill, the light that is lamp unto others feet. Blessed are the peacemakers, God, as they will inherit the earth. Let us be those kinds of people, peacemakers and helpers to all. Amen.

Anthem

"Lord of Mercy, Lord of Grace" Stan Pethel

Children's Time: God's Team!

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

Scripture

John 9:25; John 14:6

Psalms 51:12; Psalm 65:5

The words inspired by God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon *"Speaking Christian, living beyond the words"*

*** Hymn**

"Open My Eyes" Red Hymnal #454

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

"Tis A Gift to be Simple" Shaker Melody/Dale Wood

Doxology

Red Hymnal #94

Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, all things began with you. First, we see your love for us, and our love reciprocating to you now. We watch your love, gifts and generosity for all creation and humanity being given freely. May we experience our learning generosity and stewardship through your guidance. May we express your love in new ways by our grace and giving, sharing beyond what we can ask or imagine being multiplied by your Kin'dom here and forevermore. Amen.

*** Sending Hymn**

"The Trees of the Field" Black Hymnal #2279, 2 times

Benediction

Postlude

"All People That on Earth Do Well" Old 100th/Lani Smith