

“God-talk and God-acts”

Welcome & Announcements

(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)

Prelude

Choral Gathering

Faith Choir

+ Call to Worship

We come this morning to worship the God who gives us all we have.

We come also seeking to learn what God calls us to do with our gifts.

God calls us to share love by sharing our talents, our presence, and our hearts with others around us.

Love is more than saying the right words, it is doing the right thing for others.

Lead us in sharing your love, O God, with all who are in need.

+ Hymn

TFWS 2236, vs. 1,2,4
Gather Us In

+ United Methodist Litany to our Social Creed

God in the Spirit revealed in Jesus Christ,
calls us by grace

**to be renewed in the image of our Creator,
that we may be one in divine love for the
world.**

Today is the day God cares for the integrity of creation, wills the healing and wholeness of all life, weeps at the plunder of earth’s goodness.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God embraces all hues of humanity, delights in diversity and difference, favors solidarity transforming strangers into friends.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God cries with the masses of starving people, despises growing disparity between rich and poor, demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God deplores violence in our homes and streets, rebukes the world’s warring madness, humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God calls for nations and peoples to live in peace, celebrates where justice and mercy embrace, exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God brings good news to the poor, proclaims release to the captives, gives

sight to the blind, and sets the oppressed free.

And so shall we.

+ Passing the Peace

Children’s Moment

Special Music

Precious Jesus

Faith Choir

Joys, Concerns & God Moments

Call to Prayer

Kum Ba Yah

UMH 494, vs. 1-2

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Hymn

Pass it On

UMH 572

Scripture Reading

James 2:1-17

The Message

Sermon "Both/and" not "either/or" Rev. Koelman

Offertory

+ Offertory Response

Give Thanks

TFWS 2036

+ Offertory Prayer

**Here, Lord, we put our love into practice.
These gifts we offer came from your love for
us. Now, let them express our love for you, as
they reach out to others with your love for
them. Amen.**

+ Hymn *We Are Called* TFWS 2172

+ Blessing

+ Postlude

FAITH FAMILY FINANCIALS	September 9, 2018
Attendance	97
Offering	\$3,806.20
Weekly Budget	\$3,741.55

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

9/17	6:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
9/18	9-4:30 p.m.	Dist. Meeting
9/19	6:00 p.m.	Real Hope for the Hungry at Dexter UMC
9/22	UMW	Fall Gathering at Preston
9/23	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School/Coffee & Fellowship
	11:00 a.m.	Education Committee Meeting

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - Those individuals interested in joining an Adult Sunday School Class to go deeper in their faith are invited to a meeting with Pastor Donna today, September 16th at 10:30 a.m. Room TBD.

HOPE FOR THE HUNGRY - A food pack will be held on Wednesday, September 19th in two shifts; 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Dexter UMC. Volunteers are needed ages 7 and up. For more information call Pastor Jon Marburger at 507-227-6711.

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – September 21st at 4:00 p.m. Please contact Darlene Vrieze or Cindy Seabright if you have any changes for the service groups as the yearly lists will be updated in newsletter.

UMW FALL GATHERING - will be on Saturday, September 22 at Preston. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board.

BAKE OFF – Bring a pumpkin dessert to be judged for its delicacy on Sunday, September 30th at 10:00 a.m. for the 3rd Annual Bake-Off. Whether its grandma’s favorite dessert; or one you’ve modified for your family. Pre-register by contacting Carol Gross at svgross144@gmail.com or contact the office at 346-2830.

THE WAY FORWARD - Bishop Ough will host a series of 15 gatherings across the area to continue the Conversations on A Way Forward. Bishop Ough encourages lay and clergy members of Annual Conference, local church lay leaders and key local church leaders, in particular, to attend. A meeting is scheduled at Christ UMC in Rochester on Wednesday, September 26th from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. In preparation for the gatherings, Bishop Ough encourages persons and congregations to read Anatomy of Peace by the Arbinger Institute and God Unbound by Elain A. Health.

CREATION CARE - A Rally for Creation Care: Witness for a Sustaining, Wondrous Planet Earth will be held on October 13 from 9 – 2 p.m. at Christ UMC at 400 5th Avenue SW, Rochester, MN. Join us as we learn, share, and activate our ecumenical Christian faith for effective witness for sustainable life on Earth. Workshops include youth ministry ideas and projects, worship resources, advocate for policy and law changes, and become a commissioned Earth Keeper. Register at <https://www.minnesotaumc.org/event/detail/11409540>. The \$15 registration fee includes lunch and student are free.

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