

This Week

Today:

- Join us following worship for coffee and fellowship.
- Bloodmobile will be here tomorrow. If you are able, please help prepare the Narthex after coffee!
- Choir Practice after worship
- 11AM: Leadership Mtg for “*The Well.*”

Tuesday, February 7:

- 2PM: UWF (UMW)

Wednesday, February 8:

- 2:30: Early Release Classes
- 6-8 PM: Youth Group
- 7PM: **NO** Confirmation

Thursday, February 9:

- 9AM: Joy Circle
- 10AM: **NO** Bible Study

Sunday, February 12:

Liturgist: J.R. Hanson

Ushers: Kory & Carolyn Kaiser, Cory Milbrandt, Sarah Ferguson

Greeters: Riley Kaiser, Madelyn Ferguson

Accompanist: David Murray

***There will be an SPRC Meeting February 19th following worship*

2022 Charitable Contribution Statements are in the Narthex! Any not picked up today will be mailed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are looking for volunteers to provide nursery care during our services. We want to create a team so that people only have to volunteer once every month or so. High School kids are encouraged to help as well.

Brittany is looking for extra hands for Sunday School. We have a growing Sunday school and there is a need for more help. You would not have to do lesson prep just being available is enough.

The Well, our upcoming second service, is having its first preview service on February 26th @ 11 am. We encourage you to be in prayer for this service and to invite all of your friends, relatives, and acquaintance. It will be a contemporary service, which is band led and flexible.

Blue Earth Area Schools has partnered with the American Exchange Project (AEP) which is a first-of-its kind, free domestic summer exchange program for graduated high school seniors. Help join us in our mission by serving as a Host Family July 26-August 2, 2023 for the Blue Earth community. As a Host Family, you will be given a stipend by AEP, to help facilitate a FREE trip that encourages students to break free of their bubble and travel the country. If you would like to learn more or sign up, please contact Brenda Millmann at: bmillmann@beas.blueearth.k12.mn.us or 507.526.3090

The Mission Team at Hope UMC will host a concert by The Jumpin' Jehosafats, February 19th at 7PM. Come at 6PM for a potluck with the jazz musicians! Everyone is invited to attend the concert and potluck! At the concert a free-will offering will be received for a mission to be announced in February.

Today:

Accompanist: Gail Keck

Liturgist: J.R. Hanson

Ushers: Kory & Carolyn Kaiser, Cory Milbrandt, Sarah Ferguson

Greeters: Riley Kaiser, Madelyn Ferguson



Sunday February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

Hope United Methodist Church

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Worship Celebration February 5, 2023

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship**

L: God said, "Let there be light."

P: And there was light.

L: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

P: And the light shone in the darkness.

L: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world."

A: And the light shall not be quenched.

***Hymn**

"My Hope is Built"

UMH 368

***Unison Prayer**

**God of mystery and of judgment,
who has made us to be salt and light
in a tasteless, shadowed world,
guide us in this time of worship.**

**Grant us understanding and spiritual discernment
so that others may see your good works through us,
give you the glory,
and be moved to serve you. Amen.**

***Hymn**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH 400

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13-20

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Sermon

"What Can We Learn From Salt?"

Rev. Lee Miller

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Communion

Invitation to the Table

UMH 12

*Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 13

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Taking of the Bread and Cup

***Closing Hymn**

"This Little Light of Mine"

UMH 585

***Benediction**