

## This Week

### Today:

- Join us following worship for coffee and fellowship.
- Choir Practice after worship

### Tuesday, March 7:

- 2PM: Church and Communion at St. Lukes
- 2PM: UWF (UMW)

### Wednesday, March 8:

- 2PM: Bingo at St Luke's
- 2:30: Early Release Classes
- 6-8 PM: Youth Group
- 7PM: Confirmation

### Thursday, March 9:

- 10AM: Bible Study
- 1:30 PM: Joy Circle

### Sunday, March 12:

**Liturgist:** Megan Hanson-Haase

**Ushers:** John & Donna Roper,  
David & Jade Roper

**Greeters:** Benjamin &  
McKenna Roper

**Accompanist:** Staci Thompson

I'd like to thank my church family for all the beautiful cards, thoughts & prayers while I was in the hospital. A special thanks to Lois for the beautiful prayer shawl. Also to Brittney for the gorgeous flowers & her visit. Grateful is the only word I can think of. Thank you so much. Jean Millmann

## 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.

**Senior Center:** Hope UMC will help with Bingo at St Luke's next Wednesday, March 8th at 2:00 p.m. If you like to donate prizes, there will be a box on the table in the Gathering Area this Sunday. Suggestions: Bananas, small candy bars, puffed corn, Jewelry, Easter Candy/Decorations. Could use a couple volunteers to help, please call me if interested. <>< Marilyn

**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](mailto:bmillmann@beas.blueearth.k12.mn.us) or 507.526.3090

*For more information and to see what else is happening at Hope visit us at [behopeumc.com](http://behopeumc.com) and our Facebook page.*

### Today:

**Accompanist:** Gail Keck

**Liturgist:** Megan Hanson-Haase

**Ushers:** Bob & Carol Grapevine;  
John & Donna Roper



Sunday March 5, 2023

Second Sunday of Lent

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Worship Celebration March 5, 2023

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Come, all who need help!

**Our help comes from God,  
the one who made heaven and earth.**

Come, all who desire blessing!

**Our blessing comes from God,  
the God of Abraham, the God of the ages.**

Come, all who long for salvation!

**Our salvation comes from Jesus Christ,  
the one sent by God to save the world.**

**\*Hymn**

*“Open My Eyes, That I May See”*

*UMH 454*

**\*Unison Prayer**

**God of the ages,**

**we come into this holy space**

**asking for your blessing,**

**only to find that the abundance of your love  
is already around us.**

**Open our eyes to see the blessing of your creation  
in the beauty all around us.**

**Open our ears to hear the blessing of your word  
as it is proclaimed in story and song this day.**

**Open our hearts to experience the blessing of faith  
through the gentle touch of a friend**

**or the supportive smile of a stranger.**

**And open our doors,**

**that we may become vessels of your blessing  
to a world still in need of salvation.**

**All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

*“Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us”*

UMH 381

**Children’s Message**

**Scripture Reading**

**John 10:1-5**

“Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. 2 The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5 But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.”

**Sermon**

**“The B-I-B-L-E Yes That’s the Book for Me”**

**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**

*“Where He Leads”*

UMH 338

**\*Benediction**