

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, August 6th
2 PM Communion @ St. Luke's
4 PM Membership & History
Committee

Wednesday, August 7th
6:30 PM Mid-week Worship
Service

Thursday, August 8th
5 PM Joy Circle

Saturday, August 10th
9 AM UMW Unit Meeting

Leadership meetings are scheduled
for Monday, August 19: 6 pm –
Finance. 7 pm – Administrative
Council.

Sunday, August 11th
Liturgist: Jenny Lewis
Accompanist: Gail Keck
Greeters: Steve & Beth Core
Ushers: Kory & Carolyn Kaiser,
Brian & Jean Millman

Pastor Russ will be on vacation
August 5 -18. Please contact
Pastor Jan Redman in case of
emergency. Pastor Jan will share
the morning message the next two
Sundays.

**We are in need of Sunday morning radio broadcast
sponsors:** If you would like to sponsor a Hope Radio
Broadcast, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

We are in need of **lawn mowers** for the remainder of the
summer. Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you
are able to help mow!

**During August, the Mission Committee will be collecting
items for school kits.** They will be used locally, nationally,
and internationally. There will be a basket and bulletin board
with the items we will be needing. Cash donations are
always welcome. Just note on your check that it is for School
Kits. One or two items from each of us will make a major
impact.

The **Lord's Acre** signup sheet is now up on the bulletin
board in the Narthex. Together, we can do great things!
Those who are willing to pledge the income from one acre of
crop or rent from this 2019 year, sign up as a Farmer. Those
who are willing to pledge \$70 under a Farmer's name, sign
up as a Renter. These contributions can be placed in the
offering plate – memo line "Lord's Acre". This past year, we
aimed the collected funds to our Christmas Cantata music,
Riverside Cemetery, Habitat for Humanity-Faribault County
and our Midwest Mission Distribution Center. Thank you to
all who so graciously give to help those who are in need.

Please keep Gail Keck in your prayers as she will be
traveling to **Sierra Leone on a Medical Mission Trip**
September 9th-22nd, 2019. Gail has paid her own way, so
any money donated will go to Africa Uplifted to be used for
their ongoing projects. **Africa Uplifted** is a charity whose
mission is to enrich the lives of the people of Sierra Leone by
promoting basic wellness, removing barriers to education,
satisfying essential physical needs, nurturing spiritual
development, and creating economic opportunities. You can
find much more about Africa Uplifted at their website at
www.africauplifted.org. If you'd like to assist in monetary
donations for Sierra Leone please put "Africa Uplifted" in
your check memo in Sunday's offering.



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Worship Celebration for August 4, 2019

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

*Greet One Another

*Call to Worship

To the fisherman Jesus said: *“Follow me and I will make you fish for people.*

To the tax collector Jesus said: *“Follow me.”*

To the rich man Jesus said: *“Go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor,*

and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”

To you and to me and to all of us Jesus says: Follow me!

*Unison Opening Prayer

Jesus, thank you for your invitation to follow you.

Give us courage to leave our comfort zones.

Transform us into effective, fruitful disciples.

We open ourselves to you in this hour of worship. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise #327 *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

Old Testament Reading *Deuteronomy 6:1-9*

Hymn of Praise #92 *“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

As we sing this hymn, you are invited to add water to the baptismal font.

Baptism of Kinsley Nicole Steele

Daughter of Nathon & Amanda Steele

Unison Congregational Prayer

Lord Jesus, the one and only Christ, You called many people from many walks of life - to leave their own ways and follow you; to be your disciples; and to prize people as something to seek, find and restore.

Lord Jesus, the one true leader of every church, we choose to stand as one church - your church - and to lift our focus from our differences and divides. We will leave our own ways and follow you together; support each other as we seek to be your disciples; and work together to focus on fishing once more.

Lord Jesus, we ask for your Spirit's help with this for we are quick to focus on ourselves, our labels and our differences rather than the same nets in our hands, and the same leader before us. Christ have mercy - in your precious name which unites us all. Amen.

Sharing of Joys & Prayer Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Message – *Pastor Russ*

Gathering Song “Jesus Loves Me” Verse 1

New Testament Readings *Matthew 4:18-22; 28:16-20*

Message *“Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations:
#3 Intentional Faith Development”*

Hymn of Preparation #381 *“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”*

Communion

Communion Songs *The Faith We Sing #2167 “More Like You”
Hymn #395 “Take Time to Be Holy”*

*Benediction

You are God's servants, gifted with dreams and visions,

Upon you rests the grace of God like flames of fire.

Love and serve the Lord in the strength of the Spirit.

May the peace of Christ be with you,

The strong arms of God sustain you,

And the power of the Holy Spirit

strengthen you in every way. Amen

Technology: David Sparks

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