Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church

Our Vision Statement

a Reconciling Congregation

To be a joyful, welcoming community igniting hearts and minds for God's work.

<u>May 12, 2024</u>		Ascension, Mother's Day	10:30am		
Welcome to worship at Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church! We are so glad that you are worshiping with us today.					
•	Our service will be livestreamed. If you are concerned about your image on the livestream, the greeters can assist in finding a place to sit not visible by camera.				
•	We want to pray with you. Feel free to complete a prayer card located in the pew in front of you and place into the offering plate when passed, or give to an usher.				
ŀ	HEARING AIDS AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS are available for those who prefer. Our ushers are happy to assist you.				
•	Nursery care is available for children ages 5 and under. The nursery is located off of the Wesley Room, west of the sanctuary. Our ushers are happy to assist you.				
ŀ	 If you are sitting at the end of a pew, please mark your name in the attendance pad and pass along to others in the pew. 				
•	Gender inclusive and f to assist you.	amily bathrooms are available for all	. Our ushers are happy		
PRELUDE		Andante in F Major	Louis Lefébure-Wély		
WORDS OF WELCOME					
CAI	L TO WORSHIP	<i>Welcome, Happy Morning!</i> Adult Choir	Frances R. Havergal		
*PRAYER OF INVITATION †			Prayer for Mothers		
For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, we pray to the Lord					
For mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them, we pray to the Lord					
For ۱	For women, though without children of their own, who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us, we pray to the Lord (continued on next page)				

For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children and have not sustained their families, we pray to the Lord... Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their children, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen. *PASSING OF THE PEACE Let us greet each other in the name of the Risen Christ. Peace be with you. And also with you. "Hymn of Promise" *HYMN UMH No. 707 ANTHEM O Seek Ye First UMH No. 405 Children's Handbell Choir CHILDREN'S TIME Children are invited to come forward as parents are comfortable. Please note that children who come forward may be visible on the livestream. PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Laudate Dominum W.A. Mozart OFFERTORY ANTHEM Adult Choir, with soloist Janelle Tangonan-Anderson "For the Beauty of the Earth" UMH No. 92-vs 6 *OFFERTORY RESPONSE For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given, for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise. *PRAYER OF BLESSING "Our Parent, by Whose Name" *HYMN **UMH No. 447 CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER *** We now offer petitions of joy and concern from prayer cards. Lord in your mercy... hear our prayer. In gratitude let us pray to the Lord... hear our prayer. Prayers lifted during this time are shared with our Prayer Chain, a group of individuals who have covenanted to being in prayer with and for our congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 14:26-27	
SERMON AND ANTHEM	Hate Your Father and Mother?	Rev. Shawna Horn
*HYMN	"Sacred the Body"	see insert
BENEDICTION		
CHORAL RESPONSE	Benediction Adult Choir	Garry A. Cornell
POSTLUDE	God of Grace	Paul Manz
GO IN PEACE.		

*Congregation, please rise in spirit, and stand as you are comfortable. † Adapt. from The UM Book of Worship No. 438: Book of Blessings USA, 20th cent., alt.

LAITY ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP: AV Booth: Mike Kelly Ushers: Rob and Machael Kelley Nursery: Evelyn H., Ashton Pappas Counters: Robert Boucher, Andrew Lubar Counters Next Week: Matt Anderson, Aaron Buesing Fellowship Servers: Phill & Linda Gill, Steve and Sandra Burrowes Fellowship Servers Next Week: Kristen Herkenhoff, Mark Seeley and Cindy Bevier If you have swapped serving dates, please inform the church office so that service recognition is accurate. Thank you!

Here's What's Happening at Fairmount Avenue

Prayer Shawl Ministry Team Meeting— Monday, May 13 at 7:00pm via Zoom. Staff Meeting— Tuesday, May 14 at 10:00am.

SPRC Meeting— Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00pm in the Susanna Room.

Midweek Bible Study— Wednesdays at 12:00pm, join Pastor Shawna on Zoom for a time of discussion, prayer, and connection. No preparation required. More details on insert. Potluck Picnic— Wednesday, May 15 at 5:30pm on the lawn. Details below.

Lunch and Program Dream; Followers, Y.A.M., and Parents— Next Sunday, May 19,

downstairs following worship. Details on insert.

New Member Lunch— Next Sunday, May 19, in the Fellowship Hall following worship.

Wednesday Night Programming: May 15*

5:30pm— Potluck Picnic on the lawn

<u>6:30pm</u>— Heritage Ringers rehearsal

7:45pm— Adult Choir rehearsal

*Last day of regular T.G.I.W. programming

Sunday Morning Programming: May 19*

- 9:00am— All Ages Sunday School
- 10:00am— Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour)

10:30am – Worship**

10:30am— New Member Lunch

2:00pm— Piano Celebration Concert

*Last day of Sunday School

**Last day of 10:30am worship; starting May 26, worship time will begin at 10:00am followed by Fellowship Time on the lawn.

This Week's Happy Birthdays go to:

14 Amy Dauplaise Terry Boyd 17 Harper W.



End of Year Potluck Picnic: Wednesday, May 15, 5:30pm

All are invited to join us on the church lawn for a picnic and lawn games as we celebrate the end of the program year. Bring a dish to share! The church will provide grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, and beverages.

FAIRMOUNT AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MINISTERS: The Congregation

Pastor

Music/Choir Director and Organist Michael Ferguson Children's Ministries Director Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Rev. Shawna Horn Ashton Pappas Cindv Radtke

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Happenings at Fairmount

Week of May 12, 2024

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Get Involved: Creating a Joyful, Welcoming Community

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New Member Lunch— Next Sunday, May 19, in the Fellowship Hall following worship.

Piano Concert Celebration— Next Sunday, May 19 at 2:00pm. More details on back.

Go Deeper: Igniting Hearts and Minds

Midweek Bible Study— <u>Wednesdays at 12:00pm</u> via Zoom. Join Pastor Shawna for a time of discussion, prayer, and connection. No preparation required. Drop in when you can! Meeting link is available in the Monday Meditations email, or use this meeting ID to join: 862 8716 4931

Explorers T.G.I.W.— This Wednesday, May 15, is the LAST Wednesday of the program year! Come for fun and games to end another year together and kick off the summer! <u>Potluck Picnic on the lawn begins 5:30pm</u>. Email Ashton Pappas, Director of Children's Ministries, at <u>ashton@faumc.net</u> for more information.

Explorers Sunday School— Next Sunday, May 19: Family Fun Day! Bring your grown ups for our LAST Sunday of the program year. Sunday School for Explorers is held <u>9:00-10:00am</u>. Email Ashton Pappas, Director of Children's Ministries, at <u>ashton@faumc.net</u> for information.

Save the Dates for Vacation Bible School: Monday, August 5 - Thursday, August 8 Join us for MISSION: DEEP SEA this summer! Contact Ashton to register or volunteer: <u>ashton@faumc.net</u>.

Followers T.G.I.W. Youth Group— <u>Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm</u>. Come often; come when you can! We build community through games, prayer, and faith in action. Each night is a stand alone activity and new people are always welcome! **May 15:** <u>All-Church Potluck Picnic at 5:30pm on the lawn</u>! Use the QR code to view the full weekly newsletter on Followers' events.

 Followers Youth Sunday Faith Formation — <u>Sundays</u>, 9:00-10:00am. Come often; come when you can!
 We'll have fun icebreaker questions, a game/activity, and discussions on community based in Acts. Reach Cindy, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, at 763/321-8077 or by email at <u>cindy@faumc.net</u>.

Joint Youth and Young Adult Lunch and Dream— <u>Sunday, May 19, downstairs following worship</u>. All youth, parent(s) of youth, adult volunteers, and young adults are invited. **11:30am** Lunch Together: main dish provided, bring a side dish to share. **12:15pm** Break out into small groups for guided brainstorming and planning for program year 2024-2025, and summer 2025. **1:15pm** Share ideas/closing **1:30pm** Cleanup before attending the Piano Concert Celebration in the sanctuary at 2:00pm! For more information, contact Cindy, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, at 763/321-8077 or email <u>cindy@faumc.net</u>.

Y.A.M. Faith Exploration — <u>Sundays</u>, 11:45am-12:45pm. All young adults (ages 18-30) invited. Today,
 May 12: The music of Charles Wesley May 19: Lunch and Dream. For more information, contact Cindy, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, at 763/321-8077 or email <u>cindy@faumc.net</u>.
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Adult Sunday School— <u>Sundays, 9:00-10:00am</u>. Inspired by our Faithful Hospitality ministry, the rest of the program year we look at what it means to create welcome for migrants and refugees. We'll use the curriculum *Transformed Community: Freed and Empowered for Radical Welcome* created by the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services. Each week we'll look at key Bible verses and what they mean for us, while hearing more about the experience of migrants and refugees and how we are called to community with them.

Serving Together: Doing God's Work

Thank you to our volunteers who help make worship happen. You are invaluable!

We are looking for more Sunday morning volunteers to be greeters, lay readers, and audio/visual technical support. Please contact the church office at <u>admin@faumc.net</u> if you would be willing to volunteer. **Or come play in the nursery!** Volunteer to be in the nursery with the littlest members of our church family! Sign up for just one Sunday per month to be in the nursery and be a part of creating a welcoming home at Fairmount Avenue UMC for kids and their families. Contact Ashton Pappas at <u>ashton@faumc.net</u> to sign up.

Help Collect and Deliver First Fruits Food Donations to Keystone

Sign up at <u>www.faumc.net</u>. Deliver donations to Keystone (1800 University Ave. W., St Paul, MN 55104). They accept donations M-F from 9-5 during the week. Mask and gloves required. Food Security Ministry Team: Judy Thielen at <u>3klsdal@gmail.com</u> or Linda Hucke at <u>linda.hucke@centurylink.net</u>.

Adopt-A-Drain— Help Needed!

We are always looking for volunteers to clean the storm drains near the church: 3 at the corner of Fairmount and Saratoga and 2 on Fairmount just east of Snelling. Volunteers are asked to pick up trash, leaves and debris to allow water to drain. Sign up for a month online at <u>tinyurl.com/vnm2p9yc</u>.

Help Serve a Meal at Provincial House

Project Home is looking for volunteers to serve meals as a part of its weekend meal teams at 1880 Randolph Avenue. There are four shifts available every weekend on Saturday and Sunday for lunch and dinner. This is a great opportunity for groups of 3-6 people. For more info or to sign up, visit <u>tinyurl.com/PHMealTeams2023</u>.

Witness Ministries Request for Donations: Furniture and Household Items

Our team co-sponsoring a refugee family along with the Minnesota Council of Churches (MCC), needs help to furnish the family's apartment. *Needed:* kitchen table and chairs, sofa, other dining room/kitchen furniture, other lightly used household items and/or smaller appliances. Thank you for supporting this effort. Contact Dave Kroonblawd (david.kroonblawd@gmail.com or 612-803-6524) for any donations or with questions.

10 Signs of Dementia — Wednesday, May 15 at 6:30pm via Zoom

Free presentation from Lyngblomsten Community Services. Discuss 10 signs of dementia and the importance of brain stimulation early on in a person's journey with dementia (including those who have been diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment). Learn about activities and resources that are available, including the Memory Collective, an enrichment program offered through Lyngblomsten Community Services. For Zoom link or for more information, call (651) 632-5330 or email <u>communityservices@lyngblomsten.org</u>.

Rosenberg Piano Celebration and Dedication Concert — Sunday, May 19 at 2:00pm

Hear Mike Ferguson, our Director of Music, play a lively and entertaining program of piano music from France, Germany, Hungary, and Spain. The program will feature the beautiful Clair de Lune by Debussy, and other works by Albeniz, Bach, Chopin, Liszt, Mompou, Poulenc, and Schumann. With this concert we will dedicate our new sanctuary piano, which once belonged to our friend and longtime music director Steve Rosenberg. Those who wish to contribute to the acquisition of this piano for our church may do so in a freewill offering, as Steve Rosenberg's legacy lives on.