

Dinner with Jesus

DINING

with the

A-LIST



Sunday, October 26

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lake harriet
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Walking Together the
Words and Ways of Jesus

Inclusive, Intergenerational, and In Community

Walking together the words and ways of Jesus. We welcome all God's children whatever their race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, nationality, ethnicity, marital status, physical or mental ability. Following Christ's example, we open our hearts, minds, and doors to welcome all.

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

If you are young or old, you are welcome.

If you have brown skin, black skin, white skin, or any color of skin, you are welcome.

If you are married or single, you are welcome.

If you are gay, straight, transgender-whatever pronouns you use, you are welcome.

If you are sick or well, you are welcome.

If you are a perfect person, then you probably don't need a church, but if you are like us and are imperfect, mistake-making, still-trying, need all the encouragement I can get kind of person, then this is a community for you and you are welcome.

If you sing like a rock star or an opera singer, or you can not sing at all, you are welcome.

Whenever you arrived and however you came here, you are welcome.

If you believe in God some of the time or all of the time, or you're just beginning to explore who God is, you are welcome.

Come with your gifts, your pain, your hope, your fears.

Come with traditions that have helped you and hurt you.

Come with your experiences that have made you and broken you.

Come with a mind, ready to engage, and a heart, open to discern.

Come and listen for the Holy Spirit that calls you to love your neighbor wholeheartedly, seek justice, create peace and practice compassion.

You are welcome here!

Adapted from a welcome by Gordon Brown, published in Shaping Sanctuary



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Prayer Requests

Let our staff pray for you and others in your life (prayers are confidential).



Share your talents

The opportunities abound to help your community, find where you fit.



WiFi

Access the church's WiFi with the password: LHUMCGuest.



Hearing Enhancement Aids

T-coil hearing assistance is available throughout the Sanctuary. Turn your hearing aid to the T (telephone) position or see a sound team member at the back of the sanctuary for wireless headphones.

welcome to worship!

Please note the following, the congregation reads/sings/prays the words in bold-faceprint and the ↑ symbol invites you to rise in body and/or spirit.

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Beacon Leadership Team - Mike Walker

↑ OPENING PRAYER *(Unison)*

Help us show hospitality to strangers, Merciful One,
for many have entertained angels unaware while doing so.
Move us to treat one another
as we would have others treat us,
lest we find ourselves tortured or imprisoned
with no one to come to our aid.
May we always seek to do good
and share from our abundance,
for these things are pleasing in your sight.
In your holy Name, we pray. Amen.

↑ HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2. For the love of God is broad-er than the meas-ure of our mind;
there's a kind-ness in God's jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more grac - es for the good!
If our love were but more sim - ple, we should rest up - on God's word;
There is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
and our lives would be il - lu - mined by the pres - ence of our Lord.

SHARE A GREETING

PASTOR APPRECIATION

RAINBOW CHAT

Rev. Bea Mungania

SONG

Jesus Loves the Little Children



SCRIPTURE

Luke 14:1-24

Common English Bible

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. Just then, in front of him, there was a man who had edema. And Jesus asked the experts in the law and Pharisees, “Is it lawful to cure people on the Sabbath or not?” But they were silent. So Jesus took him and healed him and sent him away. Then he said to them, “If one of you has a child or an ox that has fallen into a well, will you not immediately pull it out on a Sabbath day?” And they could not reply to this.

Humility and Hospitality

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

When one of the dinner guests heard Jesus’ remarks, he said to Jesus, “Happy are those who will feast in God’s kingdom.”

Jesus replied, “A certain man hosted a large dinner and invited many people. When it was time for the dinner to begin, he sent his servant to tell the invited guests, ‘Come! The dinner is now ready.’ One by one, they all began to make excuses. The first one told him, ‘I bought a farm and

must go and see it. Please excuse me.' Another said, 'I bought five teams of oxen, and I'm going to check on them. Please excuse me.' Another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.' When he returned, the servant reported these excuses to his master. The master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go quickly to the city's streets, the busy ones and the side streets, and bring the poor, crippled, blind, and lame.' The servant said, 'Master, your instructions have been followed and there is still room.' The master said to the servant, 'Go to the highways and back alleys and urge people to come in so that my house will be filled. I tell you, not one of those who were invited will taste my dinner.'"

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Let's have some fun with table graces!

- **Johnny Appleseed**
- **The Superman Prayer**
- **The Addams Family Prayer**

TABLE GRACE

Be Present at Our Table, Lord

Be pres-ent at our ta - ble, Lord; be here and ev - ery - where a - dored;

these mer-cies bless, and grant that we may feast in fellow - ship with thee. A - men.

MESSAGE

The A-List Invitation - When Jesus is the Host"

Rev. Karen Bruins

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY



OFFERING BOX

is found in the back
of the sanctuary



GIVE ONLINE

by visiting our website
at lakeharrietumc.org



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with your
smartphone camera



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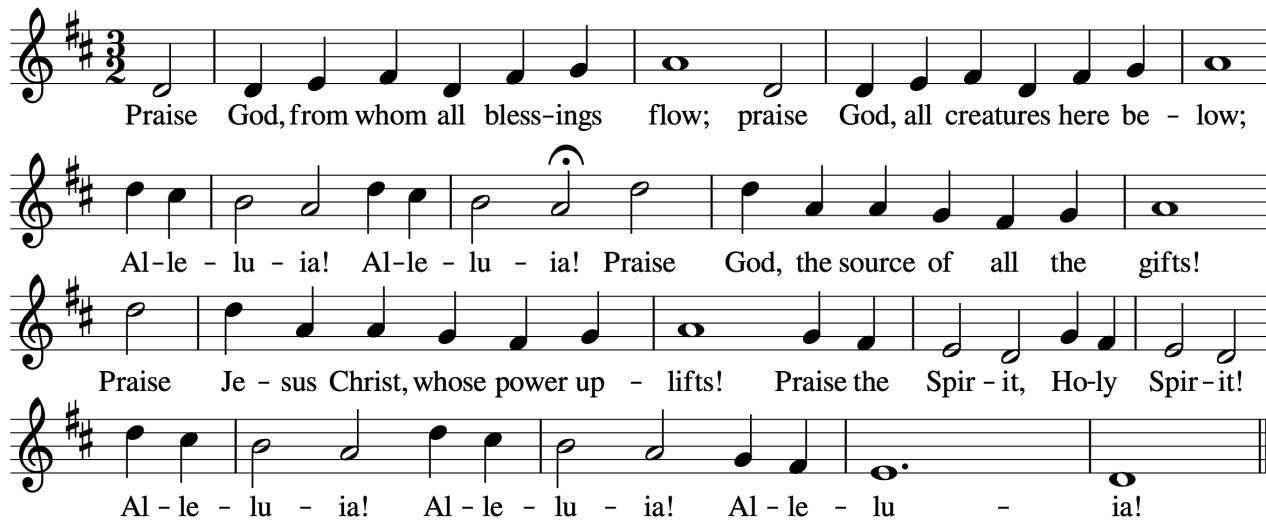
OFFERTORY

The Feast Is Ready

(Graham Kendrick)
Sanctuary Choir

↑ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all creatures here be - low;
Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all the gifts!
Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho-ly Spir - it!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

↑ HYMN

Maker, in Whom We Live

UMH 88

↑ BLESSING

One: Let mutual love continue

All: that peace may abound.

One: Let mutual love flourish,

All: that God may be found.

One: Let mutual love grow,

All: that no one may feel forsaken.

One: Let mutual love abide,

All: that the hand of friendship may bless our world.

One: Go in peace to love and serve God and neighbor.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Toccata on *Lobe den Herren*

(Hans-Friedrich Micheelsen)

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Karen Bruins

Associate Pastor: Rev. Beatrice Mungania

Director of Music Ministries: Jungjoo Park

Musicians: Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reader: Bruce Anderson

Sound Technician: Dave Bruins

Slides: Kim Boisvert

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This Week at Lake Harriet

SUNDAY OCT 26

- 9:30am Worship in-person and online
- 9:45am Godly Play (PreK-3rd Grade) - Godly Play Room
- 9:45am 4th & 5th Grade Sunday School - Conference Room
- 10:45am Apostles Creed Small Group - Fireside Room
- 10:45am By Faith Youth Band Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 11:00am Science and Faith Book Study - Zoom
- 3:00pm Welcome Pastor Bea - Jordan's

TUESDAY OCT 28

- 10:00am Crafters (Knitting) Group - Commons
- 7:00pm Men's Forum - Wesley Room
- 7:00pm Leadership Council - Fireside Room

WEDNESDAY OCT 29

- 5:00pm Wednesday Night Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (PreK - 5th Grade)- Sanctuary
- 5:30pm Prime Chimers Rehearsal (5th - 12th Grade) - Bell Room
- 6:00pm 9th Grade Confirmation - Conference Room
- 6:30pm Youth Group 6th - 8th Grade - Fellowship Hall
- 6:30pm Senior High Youth Group - Youth Room
- 6:30pm Festival Bells Rehearsal - Bell Room
- 6:30pm Shout Band Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

THURSDAY OCT 30

- 5:00pm Trunk or Treat - Parking Lot

SUNDAY NOV 2

- 9:30am Worship In-Person and On-line - All Saints Day
- 11:00am Science and Faith Book Study - Zoom
- 11:00am Worship at the Waters



Fill a Need

Joyce Uptown Foodshelf needs the following items:

- Paper bags
- Egg Cartons (needed again)
- Tampons
- Ramen Noodles



REGISTER by scanning the QR code
or visiting, Adult Enrichment
lakeharrietumc.org/connect

STARTING OCT 23RD 6:30PM

Beyond the Nest

Have you launched a young adult or are you about to launch them? You are invited to connect with other parents who are in the process of launching their young adults into the world. Whether you now have an empty nest or you have just started launching and still have some at home, this is a chance to connect with others navigating this life transition. Share experiences, find support, and discover new ways to embrace this next chapter with understanding and camaraderie.

Janelle Jordan and Lorrie Sandelin are excited to co-facilitate the Beyond the Nest group again this year, and we'd love for you to join us!

Based on what we learned last year, we've decided to try something new: instead of using a book, each meeting will center around a specific topic with a short resource (article, podcast, or video) to read or watch beforehand. This way, the discussions will be more flexible and welcoming—perfect if you want to drop in when you can.

This Fall we will meet once a month to work around Holidays and then beginning in January we will meet twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm, at LHUMC in the Fireside room.

Fall Meeting Dates:

- Thursday, November 20 @ 6:30 pm
- Thursday, December 11 @ 6:30 pm.
- Then beginning Thurs January 8, twice a month.

We hope you can join us!



NOV 16 & 23, DEC 7

Caregiver Health Gatherings

An invitation to those of us who are caregiving and have felt a need to collaborate and discuss caregiver needs as well as resources.

Join us on Sunday mornings after service, 10:45-11:45am, November 16th, 23rd and December 7th. Whether your partner has chronic health needs, an aging parent needs more and more support (long distance or local) or your loved one has a myriad of challenges due to cognitive loss, being a caregiver can lead to uncertainty, loneliness and isolation. Come to 1, or all 3 Sunday Caregiver Health discussions to share resources, challenges and opportunities.

Led by Karin Schurrer-Erickson, DNP, a retired geriatric nurse practitioner who specialized in chronic disease management, palliative care and end of life.



NOVEMBER 4

Help Us Offer Radical Hospitality On Election Day, Nov. 4

Election day is Tuesday, November 4, and LHUMC is a polling place. We will offer radical hospitality to our neighbors that day and volunteers are needed to be greeters and also to keep an eye on coffee and cookie levels.

Election Day Coffee/Cookie Volunteer duties - Check coffee levels, brew more coffee if needed, replenish supply of cups, sugar, creamer, stir sticks, etc., put out more cookies. Be a welcoming friendly face! Stay for the whole shift or for as long as you are able!



SIGN UP by scanning the QR code or visiting bit.ly/3DVPaV1



WELCOME
to our community

Assoc. Pastor Beatrice Mungania



REGISTER by scanning the QR code
or visiting

bit.ly/welcome-pastor-bea-small-groups

DECEMBER 7TH

Welcoming Pastor Bea

One more gathering is planned for welcoming Pastor Bea!

- **Sunday, December 7th at 11am** hosted by the Landruds at 4224 Crocker Ave, Edina, MN 55416. Parking is either in our driveway or the East side of the street.



LAKE HARRIET UMC AND THE WATERS

Trunk or Treat

When: October 30 from 5-7 pm

Where: LHUMC Parking Lot

Who: This is a community event in partnership with The Waters. There will be a costume and decorated trunk contest!

We could use some more LHUMC folks to sign up to host trunks for our event.

If you cannot host a trunk, please consider donating candy to support the event! Candy can be dropped off in the church lobby.

If you're able to decorate your trunk, please email lorriesandelin@lakeharrietumc.org



OCTOBER 26 8AM-1PM

All You Can Eat Breakfast

Benefiting the Joyce Uptown Foodshelf (JUFS)
Masonic Lodge 4519, France Ave S.

TODAY! Swing by after worship.

Join us for an all-you-can-eat breakfast, Serving Pancakes, Waffles, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Orange Juice, Milk, Coffee, and Tea. Joyce Uptown Foodshelf will receive \$8 from every \$10 adult ticket purchased, and for every \$5 child ticket, Joyce Uptown Foodshelf will receive \$5!

In 2024, this charitable breakfast fundraiser raised \$4,756 for the Foodshelf!



MEMBERSHIP CLASS

A Taste of Lake Harriet

Learn more about our mission, values, ministry and membership. Grab a cup of coffee/tea, a cookie and join in the Wesley Room, all are welcome!

Sunday, November 16, 10:30am

Join date will be November 23.

RSVP for the class by scanning the QR code or online: bit.ly/LH-membership-class



PERFORMANCES NOV 7-9

Lake Harriet Players Presents

“Our Town” by Thornton Wilder

Lake Harriet Players invites you to journey back to simpler times at our fall production of Our Town, Thornton Wilder’s timeless classic about life in the small town of Grover’s Corners.

Performances:

Special Preview: Nov. 6 at 7pm

Friday, Nov. 7 at 7pm

Saturday, Nov. 8 at 2pm and 7pm

Sunday, Nov. 9 at 2pm

Admission is free (pay-what-you-can donations accepted). Seating is general admission and open to the public. Doors open 1/2 hour prior to curtain.

“Our Town” is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concordtheatricals.com

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Land Acknowledgement

Lake Harriet United Methodist Church is located on the land of the Wahpekute, one of the seven council fires of the Ojibwe (commonly Dakota) peoples. We recognize and pay tribute to the indigenous people who called this land home for centuries before us.



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