

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

LENT 2026: Why Did Jesus Have to Die?



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.

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

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



RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

Connect with Us



Let Us Know You Are Here

Please register your attendance through the welcome pad.



Enewsletter

Stay informed by subscribing to our enews.



Visit Us Online

Stay informed, register for ministry events, give online, and more.



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

Children are invited to meet in the back of the Sanctuary for the Palm Procession.

- Good Friday Announcement
- Easter Sunday services and Easter Egg Hunt

↑ CALL TO WORSHIP

(Based on Psalm 118:1-2,26-29, MSG)

One: Thank God because God is good,
because God's love never quits.
Tell the world, Israel, "God's love never quits."

**All: Blessed are you who enter in God's name-
from God's house we bless you!**

God is gracious, God has bathed us in light.

**Adorn the shrine with garlands,
hang colored banners above the altar!**

You're my God, and I thank you.

O my God, I lift high your praise.

Thank God—God is so good.

God's love never quits! Amen.

1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.

Hosanna

chorus

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! (Ho - san - na, ho - san -
 - na, ho - san - na) Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the

3rd time to coda **verses**

Lord! (Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na) 1. King of Is - ra - el,
 2. To Je - ru - sa - lem,

wel - come to our hearts here to reign in right - eous - ness. O
 to Your peo - ple here, rid - ing on in gen - tle strength. O

Rul - er of the world, Rul - er of our hearts, * now as - cend Your
 come to save Your own, come to give Your life, the king - dom is at

1. 2. *D.C. al Coda*
 throne: You are the King of kings. Ho - san - na!
 hand. You are the King of kings. Ho - san - na!

coda

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na! Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na!

SHARE A GREETING

RAINBOW CHAT

Rev. Dr. Bea Mungania

Welcome children! Children from birth-grade 5 (and their parents/guardians) are welcome to this special time up front on the rainbow rug. Following the Rainbow Chat, children ages 3-3rd grade are dismissed to go to Godly Play with their adult teachers. Teachers will guide the children to the Godly Play room. Parents/ Guardians pick up the children after the worship service. 4th/5th grade children meet in Conference Room. On the first Sunday of every month, children remain in the worship service with their parents/guardians.

Nursery care is available every Sunday for infants and toddlers. The nursery is open from 9:00-11:00 am and is staffed by two care providers. Children are always welcome to remain in the worship service.

SONG

God Welcomes All

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;
God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

The image shows a musical score for the song 'God Welcomes All'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system covers the first two lines of the song, and the second system covers the last two lines. The music is simple and suitable for a children's choir or congregation.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY



MN IMMIGRATION LAW CENTER

nonprofit organization that provides free legal representation to low-income immigrants and refugees



RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Rental Relief Fund was created to help families in our Lake Harriet community who are facing urgent housing needs



DHH OPERATION

Donate to provide food and food boxes to families



MAIL IN TO

4901 Chowen Ave S
Minneapolis, MN
55410

OFFERTORY

Clomp Clomp, Little Donkey

(Sherry Landrud)
LH Children's Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jesus Entry into Jerusalem

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

“Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

UMH 280 (1, 4)

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or, to thee, Re - deem - er, King, *Fine*

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2. To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;

D.C. al Fine

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our me - lo - dy we raise.

MESSAGE

Love Risks -

What Has Love Made You Brave Enough to Do? Rev. Dr. Bea Mungania

PRAYER BEFORE THE MESSAGE

Pastor: May the words of my mouth

All: and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in your sight,

O Lord, our Rock, and our Redeemer. Amen!

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.

HEALING PRAYERS

Whenever there are five Sundays in a month, we set aside time to offer prayers for healing. The prayer may be for physical healing, emotional healing, relational healing, spiritual healing etc. The prayer for healing may be for yourself, for someone you love, for a specific situation, or healing prayer for our world.

You are invited to come forward and light a candle. You may also come to the pastor to be anointed with oil and offered a blessing. No one will ask what your prayer is. We trust God hears our prayers to know your needs.

MUSIC

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

Shout Band

verse

1. He be-came sin, who knew no sin; that we might be - come His
 bo-dy the bread, His blood the wine. * Bro-ken and poured out *
 right-ous - ness; He hum - bled Him self and car - ried the cross.
 all for love. The whole earth trem - bled and the veil was torn.
 Love so a - maz - ing, Love so a - maz - ing, Je - sus Mes - si -
 Love so a - maz - ing, Love so a - maz - ing.

chorus

- ah; Name a - bove all names; Bless - ed Re - deem - er;
 Em - man - u - el. The Res - cue for sin - ners,
 the Ran - som from heav - en; Je - sus, Mes - si - ah, Lord of all.

Last time to Coda

bridge

1. 2. His All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You;
 all the glo - ry to You, God, the Light of the world. Je - sus, Mes - si

D.S. al Coda

coda

Je - sus, Mes - si - ah, Lord of all.
 The Lord of all! The Lord of all.

↑ BLESSING

(Based on Matthew 26:26-30-CEB)

Pastor: While they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, “Take and eat. This is my body.” He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many so that their sins may be forgiven. I tell you; I will not drink wine again until that day when I drink it in a new way with you in my Father’s kingdom.” Then, after singing songs of praise, they went to the Mount of Olives.

Pastor: May Christ, who shared the cup with the disciples lead us faithfully from Palm to Passion.

All: Let us join Jesus to the Mount of Olives, from the joys of palms to the sacred journey of Jesus’ Passion, into the hope of the coming resurrection, Let us journey together in reverence and in hope, Amen!

POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Karen Bruins

Associate Pastor: Rev. Dr. Beatrice Mungania

Director of Music Ministries: Jungjoo Park

Musicians: LH Children’s Choir; By Faith, Shout Band

Scripture Reader: Kay Halverson

Sound Technician: Dave Bruins

Streaming: Michael Perry

Slides: Ginger Mateer

Greeters: Jane Kammerman, Ken Larson, Zoe Johnson, Lorrie Sandelin

Hospitality: Lorrie Sandelin

Table Art: Katie Schneider-Bryan

Copyright Information

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Words: Jennette Threlfall, 1873. Tune: ELLACOMBE, Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784. Public Domain.

Hosanna Words & Music: Deborah D. Smith, Michael W. Smith ©1983 Meadowgreen Music Company. All rights reserved. Reprint under CCLI License #1628344.

God Welcomes All Words: John L. Bell. Tune: THEMBA AMEN, South African song; transcr. by John L. Bell ©2008 WGRG, Iona Community, admin. GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved. Reprint under ONE LICENSE #A-725516.

Clomp Clomp, Little Donkey Words & Music: Sherry Landrud. Used with permission of the author.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor Words: Theodulph of Orleans, 8-9th cent.; trans. by John Mason Neale, 1851. Music: ST. THEODULPH; Melchior Teschner, 1615; harm. by W. H. Monk, 1861. Public Domain.

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson ©2018 CityAlight Music; Farren Love And War Publishing; Integrity’s Alleluia! Music. All rights reserved. Reprint with CCLI License #1628344.

Jesus Messiah Words and Music: Chris Tomlin, Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves ©2008 sixsteps Music, Vamos Publishing, worshiptogether.com songs, Wondrously Made Songs. All rights reserved. Reprint under CCLI License # 1628344.

SUNDAY TO SUNDAY

This Week at Lake Harriet

SUNDAY MAR 29

- 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 We Cry Justice - Wesley Room
- 11:00am All Ages Curling - Fellowship Hall
- 11:00am Science and Faith Book Study - Zoom

MONDAY MAR 30

- 7:00pm We Cry Justice Small Group - Zoom

TUESDAY MAR 31

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

WEDNESDAY APR 1

- 5:00pm Lenten Soup Supper - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30pm By Faith Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 6:00pm Lenten Devotions - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00pm Prime Chimers Rehearsal - Bell Room
- 6:00pm 9th Grade Confirmation - Conference Room
- 6:30pm Youth Group - Youth Room
- 6:30pm Festival Bells Rehearsal - Bell Room
- 7:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

THURSDAY APR 2

- 9:30am Immigration Outreach and Support Group

FRIDAY APR 3

- 7:00pm Good Friday Service

SUNDAY APR 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

- 9:00am Worship In-Person and On-line
- 10:00am Easter Egg Hunt - Courtyard
- 11:00am Worship In-Person
- 12:00pm Easter Egg Hunt - Courtyard



APRIL 3 7PM

It is Finished

A Good Friday Worship Experience

April 3 - 7:00pm at Lake Harriet UMC.

Join us for a service of music, Scripture, prayer, and Communion as we stand at the foot of the cross.

We will be joined by Good Samaritan UMC and United Methodist Church of Peace.

HE IS RISEN

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

9AM & 11AM / APRIL 5

in-person + online



MUSIC MINISTRIES

Easter Choir

You're invited to join the Easter Choir 2026!

This will be a great opportunity to sing in the choir with a short term commitment. The rehearsals are on Wednesdays, April 1 at 7:30 pm and Saturday, April 4th at 10 am to Noon.

Then you'll get to sing with the choir at the two identical services at 9 & 11 am on Easter Sunday. For More information, contact the Music Director, Jungjoo at jungjoo.park@lakeharrietumc.org.



EASTER SUNDAY

Sing the Hallelujah Chorus on Easter Sunday!

This no-rehearsal, just-grab-the-music-and-sing 'gig' has been a long tradition at Lake Harriet UMC. If you have never done it before, there's an excellent resource for self-practicing this choral masterpiece.

Go to BBC Sing Hallelujah page www.bbc.co.uk/sing/hallelujah/downloads.shtml and practice with the BBC singers and the orchestra.

You'll be invited to come forward and sing with the choir at the end of the Easter service. Let's celebrate the risen Lord!

EASTER EGG HUNT

April 5
10am & Noon

Kids and Youth join us for an
exciting egg hunt!



APRIL 12 - JUNE 1, 2026

All My Days Sermon Series

“All My Days” is an eight-week journey into a deeper, steadier life of prayer. Together, we will explore practices of presence, praise, purpose, petition, pardon, protection, and persistence—learning how to carry conversation with God into every part of our lives. Grounded in the invitation to “be still and know,” this series will help us discover that prayer is not just something we do, but a way we live—every moment, all day long.



In this worship series, we will explore the ancient and cross-traditional use of prayer beads as a way to connect with the Holy and with each other for “all our days.”

Be Still and Know:

- Presence
- Praise
- Purpose
- Petition
- Pardon
- Protection
- Persistence



MARCH FOODSHARE MONTH

Support Our Neighbors During March FoodShare Month

March is FoodShare Month, a time when many of us are thinking about how to support our community and ensure everyone has access to food. One meaningful (and delicious!) way to make a difference this month is by supporting some of the amazing immigrant-owned restaurants along Lake Street.

Many of these small businesses have faced real challenges over the past few years, and our support can make a big difference. So the Outreach Team invites you to turn one of your meals this month into a simple act of community care—try a new restaurant, bring a friend, or pick up takeout for your family.

<https://www.visitlakestreet.com/shop-local>

Here are a few Lake Street favorites you might enjoy:

- Gandhi Mahal
- Taqueria La Hacienda
- Himalayan Restaurant
- Safari Restaurant

Midtown Global Market

- Mercado Central (a whole marketplace of incredible Latino food vendors!)

Some fun ideas:

- Plan a Lake Street lunch or dinner with friends after church
- Try a cuisine you've never had before
- Pick up takeout for a family night at home
- Invite another family to join you and make it a mini food adventure
- Share your favorite dishes with others to inspire them

Supporting our neighbors can be as simple as sharing a meal. If you discover a new favorite spot, let us know—we'd love to keep the list growing!

Thank you for helping make our community stronger, kinder, and more connected.

— LHUMC Outreach Team



JULY 12TH-16TH

STORM Camp

Lake Harriet UMC Youth in grades 7-9 are invited to STORM Camp this summer for the Middle School Mission Trip. The Grove United Methodist Church in Woodbury, MN will be hosting the camp.

We encourage you all to register early and take advantage of the early bird rates.

- **Early Registration price of \$150 has been extended through March 23 - register ASAP!** Registration pricing will go up to \$175 at Noon on March 23. Please indicate Lake Harriet UMC is your congregation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Bea at bea.mungania@lakeharrietumc.org

REGISTER: stormcamp.org/registration



JUNE 15-18

VBS Registration is open

It's that time of year again - time to sign up for this summer's **Vacation Bible School!** We have updated our theme to: **Snowball Mountain Challenge.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Bea at bea.mungania@lakeharrietumc.org



STUDENT REGISTRATION

Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/vbs-kids-register



LEADER REGISTRATION (6 gr+)

Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/vbs-leader-register



AUGUST 3-9, 2026

Camp Koronis

United Methodist Family Camp

Location: Koronis Ministries, Paynesville

Ages: All

Dates: August 3-9, 2026

Leader: Dave Bruins

Family Camp is for families of all shapes, ages, and sizes. Enjoy a week at camp filled with all your favorites: swimming, boating, fishing, campfire worship and fellowship. For more information about Family Camp, or to register, contact mnumcfamilycamp@gmail.com.

Connect with Staff

Rev. Karen Bruins Pastor karen.bruins@lakeharrietumc.org

Rev. Beatrice Mungania Associate Pastor bea.mungania@lakeharrietumc.org

Søren Bijnagte Business Administrator & Facilities Manager soren.bijnagte@lakeharrietumc.org

Kay Halverson Office Administrator kay.halverson@lakeharrietumc.org

Thomas Johanson Bell Choirs Director thomas.johanson@lakeharrietumc.org

Tami Zvolena Communications communications@lakeharrietumc.org

Lorrie Sandelin Director of Engagement lorrie.sandelin@lakeharrietumc.org

Jungjoo Park Director of Music Ministries jungjoo.park@lakeharrietumc.org

Neva Tuzzolino LHUM Preschool Director ntuzzolino@lakeharrietumpreschool.org

Kevin Roles Building Maintenance kevin.roles@lakeharrietumc.org

Land Acknowledgement

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



Address 4901 Chowen Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55410

Office Hours 9a–4p, Tuesday–Thursday

Connect 612.926.7645 | church@lakeharrietumc.org | lakeharrietumc.org