

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Wild Creatures

LION

Faith When You're Surrounded



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.



Connect with Us



Let Us Know You Are Here

Please register your attendance through the welcome pad.



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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.

WENDELL BERRY'S THE PEACE OF WILD THINGS

When despair for the world grows in me
and I wake in the night at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,
I go and lie down where the wood drake
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.
I come into the peace of wild things
who do not tax their lives with forethought
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
waiting with their light. For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: There are lions in every age.

All: Yet God remains faithful in every generation.

One: When fear surrounds us...

All: God is our refuge and our strength.

One: When the world calls us to compromise...

All: We choose to trust the living God.

One: When the night seems long...

All: We believe that morning will come.

One: Come, let us worship the God who shuts the mouths of lions,

All: The God whose steadfast love never fails, whose presence never leaves us, and whose faithfulness endures forever. Amen.

SHARE A GREETING

RAINBOW CHAT

Rev. Dan Schneider-Bryan

SONG

I Can Pray



When I wake up in the morn-ing light, I can pray, yes, I can pray. I talk to
 Je-sus; He hears my voice eve-ry day, yes, eve-ry day. I can pray, I can pray an-y-
 time, an - y - where. I can pray, I can pray. Je-sus hears me when I pray.

THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Frankie and Charlie Forbes,
Children of Matt and Nicole Forbes

SONG

The Song of Blessing



1. May God give you eyes to see all that is good, all that is good. 2. The
 (2. The) cour-age for an - y - thing, may you be strong, may you be strong.
 May God give you ears to hear God's lov - ing voice, God's lov - ing voice,
 speak-ing all a - round you, all a - round and deep in - side.

So the administrators and satraps conspired and came to the king and said to him, “O King Darius, live forever! All the administrators of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an interdict, that whoever prays to any god or human, for thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be thrown into the den of lions. Now, O king, establish the interdict and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked.” Therefore King Darius signed the document and interdict.

Daniel in the Lions’ Den

Although Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he continued to go to his house, which had windows in its upper room open toward Jerusalem, and to get down on his knees three times a day to pray to his God and praise him, just as he had done previously. Then those men watched and found Daniel praying and seeking mercy before his God. Then they approached the king and said concerning the interdict, “O king! Did you not sign an interdict, that anyone who prays to any god or human, within thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be thrown into the den of lions?” The king answered, “The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked.” Then they responded to the king, “Daniel, one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or to the interdict you have signed, but he is saying his prayers three times a day.”

When the king heard the charge, he was very much distressed. He was determined to save Daniel, and until the sun went down he made every effort to rescue him. Then the conspirators came to the king and said to him, “Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no interdict or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed.”

Then the king gave the command, and Daniel was brought and thrown into the den of lions. The king said to Daniel, “May your God, whom you faithfully serve, deliver you!” A stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signet ring of his lords, so that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no entertainment was brought to him, and sleep fled from him.

Daniel Saved from the Lions

Then at dawn, the king got up and at first light hurried to the den of lions. When he came near the den where Daniel was, he cried out anxiously to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God whom you faithfully serve been able to deliver you from the lions?” Daniel then said to the king, “O king, live forever! My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths so that they would not hurt me, because I was found blameless before him; also before you, O king, I have done no wrong.” Then the king was exceedingly glad and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him because he had trusted in his God

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

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

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is found in the back
of the sanctuary

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at lakeharrietumc.org

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smartphone camera

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Minneapolis, MN
55410

OFFERTORY

Eunhe (*Grace*)

Marian Holley, solo

Everything that I have gone through in this life
Every waking hour I've spent until this time
Every moment I have walked on this long road
I could never take for granted the Lord's grace

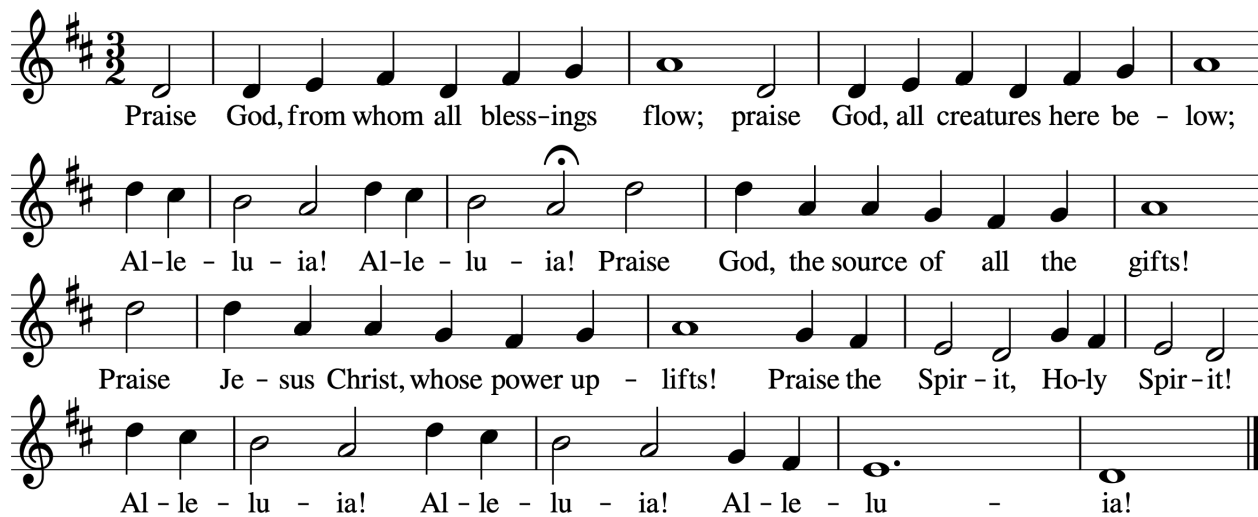
As the morning sun shines, in the evening fades
Scent of flowers in the spring and fall's harvest
Every moment of the changing seasons say
I could never take for granted the Lord's grace

Refrain: Everything was Your grace, Your grace, Your grace
Never ending grace
I can not ever take for granted Lord all that's in my life
Everything was Your grace, simply Your grace

Having been born in this world and given life
From my childhood years until the present time
Simply breathing, living, dreaming all my life
I could never take for granted the Lord's grace

Living as a child of God what can I say
Worshipping You Jesus, praise You all my days
Blessed to share the good news of our Jesus Christ
I could never take for granted the Lord's grace *Refrain*

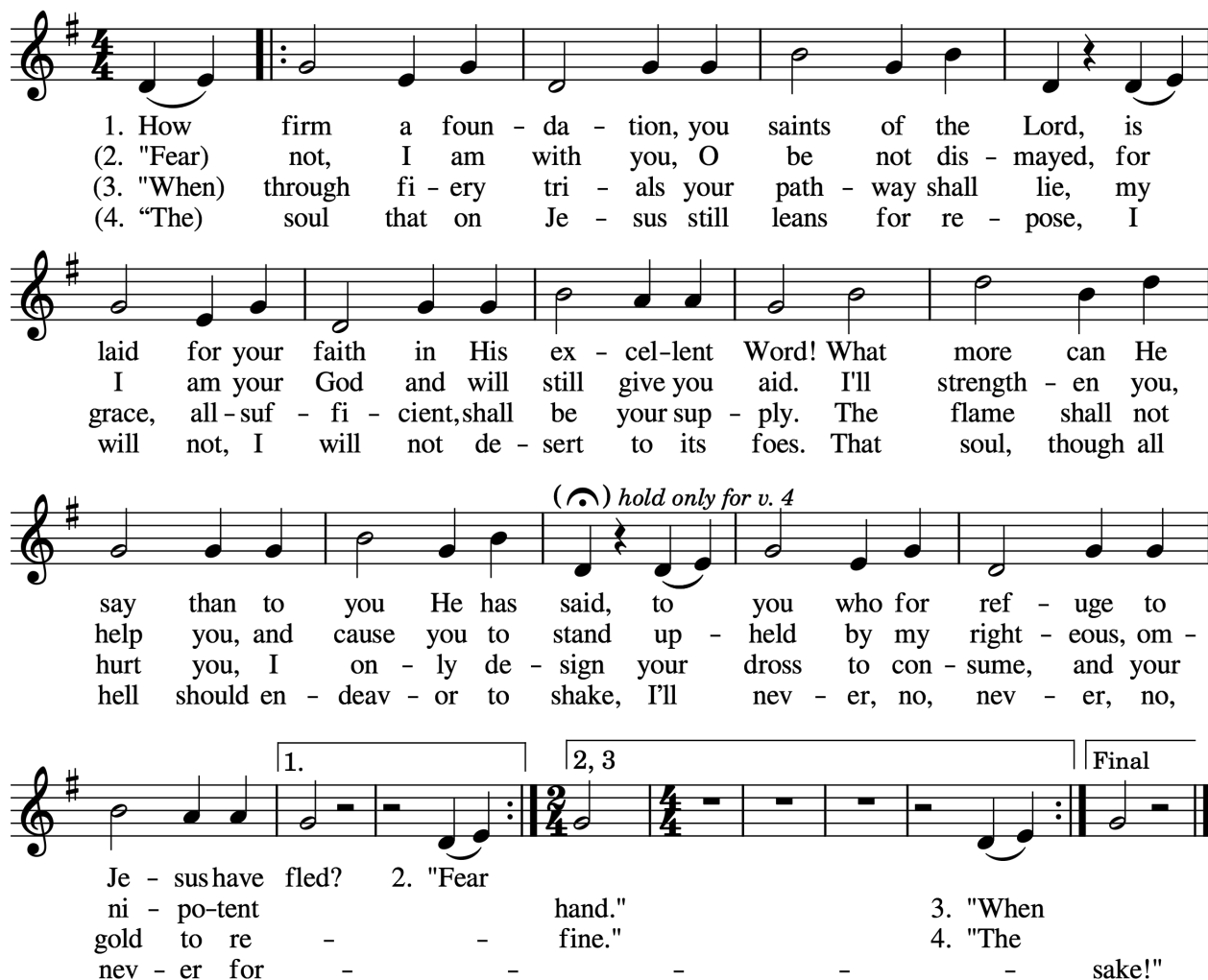
Eng. Translation : Brian Kim (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=crv6JnqWu-U&list=RDcrv6JnqWu-U&start_radio=1)



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!

↑ SONG

How Firm a Foundation



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is
 (2. "Fear) not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed, for
 (3. "When) through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my
 (4. "The) soul that on Je - sus still leans for re - pose, I
 laid for your faith in His ex - cel-lent Word! What more can He
 I am your God and will still give you aid. I'll strength - en you,
 grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply. The flame shall not
 will not, I will not de - sert to its foes. That soul, though all
 (♩) hold only for v. 4
 say than to you He has said, to you who for ref - uge to
 help you, and cause you to stand up - held by my right - eous, om -
 hurt you, I on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume, and your
 hell should en - deav - or to shake, I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no,
 1. Je - sus have fled? 2. "Fear
 ni - po-tent hand."
 gold to re - fine."
 nev - er for - - -
 3. "When
 4. "The
 sake!"

↑ BLESSING

Go now in courage.

When you face the lions of fear,
or grief, or uncertainty, remember:
you do not face them alone.

The God who watched over Daniel
watches over you.

The Christ who walked through death
walks beside you.

The Holy Spirit goes before you,
giving you strength when you are weary,
peace when you are anxious,
and hope when the night feels long.

Go with confidence,
live with integrity,
pray without ceasing,
and trust the One
whose faithfulness is greater than your fears.
Go in the peace of Christ.

Amen.

POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dan Schneider-Bryan

Director of Music Ministries: Jungjoo Park

Musicians: Marian Holley, solo; Shout Band

Scripture Reader: Rev. Karen Bruins

Sound Technician: Brian Richter

Streaming: Dave Bruins

Slides: Ginger Mateer

Greeters: Barb LaPolice, Jane Kammerman, Ken Larson

Hospitality: Norma Bayers

Table Art: Katie Schneider-Bryan

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This Week at Lake Harriet

SUNDAY AUGUST 23

9:30am Worship In-Person and Online

TUESDAY AUGUST 25

10:00am Crafters (Knitting) Group - Commons

7:00pm Men's Forum - Wesley Room

7:00pm Leadership Council Meeting - Fireside Room

THURSDAY AUGUST 27

12:00pm Emerson Village Back to School Event

SUNDAY AUGUST 30

9:30am Worship In-Person and Online



BACKPACK DRIVE

THANK YOU!

We asked for 70 backpacks for our neighbors at Emerson Village, and you absolutely surpassed our expectations!

Thanks to your incredible generosity, **we were able to deliver more than 90 backpacks** to youth getting ready to head back to school this year! What a wonderful way to help our neighbors start the school year feeling prepared and supported.

THANK YOU, LHUMC, for showing up and making a difference!



THUR. AUG. 27TH FROM 1-4PM

Back-to-School Event

The Lake Harriet Outreach and Beacon Leadership Teams are sponsoring a backpack drive for the youth and children of families living at Beacon's Emerson Village.

Lake Harriet UMC is providing volunteers to serve food or help with crafts at the Emerson Village Back-to-School event on Thur. Aug. 27th from 1-4pm, Lake Harriet volunteers needed from 12 to 5pm, and may be working in two shifts.

Please contact Lorrie Sandelin, lorrie.sandelin@lakeharrietumc.org, or Lauren Braswell, l_braswell@comcast.net, if you have questions and/or can help at the Aug. 27th event.

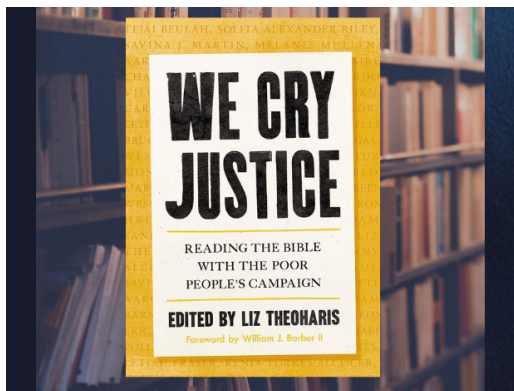


UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH

Thank You for a Wonderful Garden Party!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who planned, hosted, and attended our 14th Annual Garden Party! It was a beautiful afternoon filled with laughter, friendship, and the joy of creating gorgeous bouquets together.

We're so grateful to everyone who helped make the day so special. We hope to see you all again next year!



ALSET

We Cry Justice Small Group

The groups will be taking a break in August, with no meetings. Links will be sent out to participants for independent study during that time. Classes will resume, beginning with Chapter 30, on Sunday September 13 at 11:00am (in person at church), and Monday September 14 at 7:00pm (via Zoom).



SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6 10:45AM

Let's Make Sandwiches

You're invited to join the LHUMC Outreach Team on Sunday, September 6th after service at 10:45am downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for a meaningful, hands-on service opportunity for all ages! As a church community, we'll be gathering to make sandwiches for our neighbors who are served by the Dignity Center. This is a simple but powerful way to share care, compassion, and nourishment with those in need.

Everyone is welcome—kids, youth, and adults alike! Whether you come on your own or bring the whole family, there's a place for you to help make sandwiches and notes of encouragement. Together, we'll make a tangible difference while enjoying time in community.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Kick-Off Sunday is Coming!

We're kicking off a new year of Children, Family & Youth Ministries, and we're excited to celebrate with you! Come **meet our new Children, Family & Youth Director, Jenny**, and learn more about all the exciting things happening this fall.

After worship, there will be fun activities for both children and youth, so be sure to stick around and join in the fun!

We'll also be introducing our new CareTeam, including upcoming training and opportunities to get involved in this important ministry of caring for one another.

There's lots happening at Lake Harriet UMC this fall—come be part of the kickoff! We can't wait to see you on September 13th!



2026-2027 CLASSES

BE STILL: EXPLORING CONTEMPLATIVE PRACTICES

Looking for a little more quiet, depth, or connection with God?

This year, Lake Harriet invites you to slow down, pay attention, and explore some of the rich practices Christians have used for centuries to deepen their spiritual lives.



REGISTER by scanning the QR code or going to REALM Events.

In partnership with Saint Catherine University, we are offering Contemplative Practices, a nine-session series exploring different ways of connecting with God—individually and in community. Together we'll learn about and experience practices including centering prayer, Lectio Divina, the Labyrinth, and more.

Come when you can. Each session stands on its own, so you are welcome to drop in for individual sessions—or join us for all nine and experience the full journey.

SCHEDULE

Sessions are held at Lake Harriet UMC from 6:30–8:00 p.m.

September 24, October 22, November 19, December 3 (1st Thursday due to the holiday)
January 28, February 25, March 25 (Maundy Thursday), April 22, May 27.

Child care for infants through age 5 is available. Please let us know when you register if you will need child care.

No experience with contemplative prayer is necessary. Just come as you are—and make a little space for God.

MEET OUR LEADER



Amy Campbell, a certified Spiritual Director, will lead our sessions. Amy has a lifelong interest in spiritual formation and has served in ministry at the Church of St. Patrick of Edina and St. Joan of Arc Catholic Community. She currently serves as a Spiritual Director at The Loyola Center for Spirituality in St. Paul and completed her spiritual direction training through Christos.

Amy's own contemplative life has been shaped by practices including centering prayer and T'ai Chi Chih. She loves being in nature, traveling, downhill skiing, and spending time with her husband, four children, and four granddaughters.



Contact Julie or Bill Konrardy if interested or for more information

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REGISTER by scanning the QR code or by visiting bit.ly/sacred-reckonings-26

5-SESSION TRAINING SERIES

Sacred Reckonings

Sacred Reckonings is designed specifically to help faith communities move beyond symbolic gestures of solidarity into the deep work of structural repair, racial justice, and historical truth-telling. Through guided reflection, communal study, and practical action, our cohort will engage directly with the history of land, labor, and wealth, exploring how our faith calls us to active repair.

Members of LHUMC have been invited to join Sacred Reckonings Training this fall at Lake Nokomis Lutheran Church, 5011 31st Ave S in Minneapolis.

Meetings:

Fri., September 18: 5-8:30 pm CT

Sat., September 19: 9:30 am-4:30 pm CT

Friday evening will include a pilgrimage from Bdote to George Floyd Square to Renee Good Memorial to Alex Pretty Memorial with some storytelling and history weaving around the Doctrine of Discovery. This will be in partnership with Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs. Saturday will include more in depth work around the Sacred Reckonings process and the Reparatory EcoMap.

Then continue learning ONLINE for Sessions 3-5:

Monday, October 26, 2026: 6:30-8:00 CT

Monday, November 9, 2026: 6:30-8:00 CT

Monday, November 23, 2026: 6:30-8:00 CT

We would love to have a small team from LHUMC attend the training.

Connect for Climate

NEIGHBORING FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET



Together,
we can build
a clean,
healthy,
just future

 **Time:**
1:00-2:30 pm

 **Where:**
Lake Harriet United Methodist

 **When:**
September 13

Register now!



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Connect with Staff

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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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