

Finance & Attendance Update:

Amount needed each Sunday to meet budget (2018):	2,615.00
Amount received last Sunday:	2,536.00
Total received to date this year:	47,692.00
Amount received last Sunday for Capital Growth Fund :	1,725.00
Total received to date this year for Capital Growth Fund :	8,123.00
Attendance last Sunday :	82

WEEKLY CALENDAR**Sunday, May 13**

10:00 a.m. Worship – *Graduate Recognition*
 11:15 a.m. Trustees Mtg.
 11:15 a.m. SPRC Mtg.
 3:00 p.m. Grace Korean worship

Monday, May 14

6:00 p.m. Confirmation

Tuesday, May 15

9:30 a.m. Parents and Pals Playtime
 10:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
 1:00 p.m. PEO Mtg.
 4:30 p.m. Mission & Outreach Mtg.
 5:00 p.m. UCM Mtg.
 6:30 p.m. Book Club

Wednesday, May 16

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast @ Mt. Royal
 9:30 a.m. Parents and Pals Playtime

Wednesday, May 16

5:00 p.m. Ad Council
 7:00 p.m. Alanon

Thursday, May 17

9:00 a.m. Painters Group
 12:00 p.m. Yoga
 1:00 p.m. Exercise Class
 6:30 p.m. Qigong

Friday, May 18

10:00 a.m. North Country Quilters

Sunday, May 20

10:00 a.m. Worship
 11:15 a.m. Spring Celebration!!
 11:15 a.m. Finance Mtg.
 2:00 p.m. Pines Worship
 3:00 p.m. Grace Korean worship
 5:30 p.m. Liz Raihala student recital

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Nametags:** 1. Request yours via sign-up sheet in front of nametag rack. 2. Pick up new nametag, same location. 3. Wear your nametag every week! It helps "knit the Body of Christ" together.

***Hope Garden Helpers Sought:** One of the best blessings of spring is our garden! Please let the office know soon if you can help out in any way small or big, regularly or for a special project.

***Recent address additions and changes** can be found in the narthex.

***SOLES 4 SOULS: By May 20**, please bring in new or gently used shoes. Their resale in Haiti will provide entrepreneurs much needed income to provide necessities for their families.

***VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, June 12-14, 9am-12: "Learning With Lego Blocks"!** Spread the word, invite LOTS of children, and volunteer for a one-time task; see Anita Rixe.

***Do you know where our white "Welcome" table is?** Please let Pastor Laurie, Sally Herstad, or the office know!

STAFF

Administrative Assistant: Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Amy-Dressler

Nursery Attendants: Sara Schutt, Cassidy Kelley

Music Director: Liz Raihala

Custodian: Matt Johnson

Kids' Quest Director: Anita Rixe



May 13, 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday ~ 9:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

With God's grace, we care for the soul for a lifetime and beyond.

PRELUDE

Diane Nast

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

For God called Christ into the world,
And Christ prepared us to be in this world.

As God and Christ are one,
May we be one in Christ Jesus.

Christ is the head, and we are the body;
We are the hands and feet of Christ in this world.

Beloved friends, we have been called, we are filled, and we are sent:
**In this time of worship, may we feel the spirit of God,
And be prepared to do the work Christ has given us to do.**

***SONG**

"We Are the Church," vs. 1-4

#558

***GREETINGS**

UNISON PRAYER

We praise you, O God, for your gift of love, both gentle and fierce, both strong and humble, both kind and true. Where we have been so blessed, we give our grateful praise, for you have provided loving hands that have worked so hard in raising us, cared enough to correct us, blessed us in ways we cannot have fully known as children. We thank you for the parental love that surrounds us as your gift to us. Amen.

PSALM READING

Psalm 1, p. 463

ANTHEM

"O When I Sing the Praises of God"

by Carter

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

CHILDREN'S TIME

sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come up

Sally Herstad

#191

TIME OF SHARING - JOYS AND CONCERNS

(We ask you to pass the registration pads at this time.)

SILENT PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

***HYMN**

"A Mother Lined a Basket"

#2189

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 2:1-10, p. 47

MESSAGE

"Caring Beyond Ourselves"

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Liz Raihala

*** DOXOLOGY**

#95

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN**

"Everlasting God"

#3021

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Liz Raihala

**You are invited to stand as you are able*

LARGE PRINT hymnals, bulletins, and Bibles, as well as hearing devices are available from the usher. Nursery Care provided.

Flowers on the altar are given by Kim & David Hileman
in memory of Joe & Millie Hileman.

Spring Celebration of HOPE Next Sunday!

As the program year wraps up, we will take time to celebrate ALL the wonderful ministries, service opportunities and events of Hope United Methodist Church over the past nine years of our journey with Pastor Laurie Boche.

Do you have a favorite story to share? Do you have a particular photograph? If so, please, email or bring in these things to the church office soon, so we can include them in the celebration.

Sometimes we are so rushed going into the future that we forget to stop, notice, enjoy, and give thanks for our connections with God, with one another, and with our community. Our Spring Celebration will be all about doing just that!

UMCOR Hygiene / Health Kits

Besides Soles4Souls, it's also time to prepare FIFTY hygiene / health kits to go to Annual Conference later this month. Your help in gathering the following items is greatly appreciated (quantities still needed are indicated):

- 40 Handtowels, 15x25 or 17x27 (no microfiber or kitchen towels)
- 50 6" sturdy Comb (not pocket comb nor with handle)
- 37 metal Nail File or Clippers
- 37 Bar Soap, 3 oz or larger, individually wrapped (not Jurgens or Ivory)
- 15 Toothbrushes, individually packaged
- 300 Band-aids, standard size
- 50 \$1 Contributions for toothpaste
- (all needed Ziplock bags received; thanks!)

Donations are needed by this Thursday, so we can be sure we have enough; please place in the marked bins in the narthex.

2018 Love Offering for Annual Conference

This year's Love Offering from all the churches of the Minnesota Conference United Methodist Church (May 30 – June 1) will go to three vital projects:

Puerto Rico Hurricane Recovery Trips (60%)

In response to Hurricane Maria, Volunteers in Mission (VIM) trips from the Minnesota Annual Conference to Puerto Rico will commence in the fall.

As teams are formed and team leaders are trained, most of the Love Offering funds will be used for construction supplies bought and used on the island. Some of the funds will cover the purchase of hygiene kit and cleaning bucket supplies. Additional funds will be used for scholarships for first-time VIM participants.

Park Avenue UMC Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools Program (20%)

The Freedom Schools Program is a six-week summer day camp to ensure that every child receives "a healthy start, a head start, a fair start, a safe start, and a moral start in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities." Each year, about 50 scholars participate in this program to address the "summer slide" and to close the achievement gap.

Mornings are spent improving reading skills. Afternoon enrichment activities include art, cooking, gardening, music/dance, and physical education. Love Offering funds will go towards reading curriculum materials and young adult mentors.

NUMAS Haus (15%)

NUMAS Haus provides emergency shelter and support services to homeless single women and their children in New Ulm and surrounding Brown County. Adjacent and connected to First UMC in New Ulm, clients are able to live there for up to 90 days as they complete a program that includes counseling, health and financial management, parenting and food preparation skills, and obtaining access to county social services and vocational training.

Upon completion, participants are encouraged to secure permanent housing but may not immediately be able to pay market-rate rent. Love Offering funds will be used to help families with transitional rent assistance for six to 12 months.