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11AM ARISE! (ECC)



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Pastor's Pen

WITH ELIZABETH MACAULAY, LEAD PASTOR

“ I pray that we feel the sun on our skin and the sweet blessing of water holding us in canoes or boats. ”

“It's a Circuit Rider Summer!”

Saddle up!!!!

It's a Circuit Rider Summer.

John Wesley maintained that the world is our parish. Those who love Jesus are not contained in any building but ought know their witnessing power wherever they find themselves.

Summer is a wide ranging time, yes? There are family reunions and vacations and cabins and space and time - or so we hope. The world and our souls feel more malleable when the earth is softened by sun.

We hope that as you travel about the parish that is your world, you will take your church with you. Snap a picture of you and the flat horses we are handing out. Tell us where you are and what kind of God sightings you have had. Email the pictures to Nikki at email@cumethodist.com and we'll post them on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/cumethodist)

All summer long we will be exploring what it means to be United Methodists. What do we teach? How are we “different” from other denominations? Worship will give us a chance to remember our story as we celebrate our heritage and future.

There are those who make the ridiculous assertion that church slows down in the summer. Not here! We will be celebrating the Spring into Summer and Pentecost, we'll be viewing movies, sharing Vacation Bible School, savoring the ring of Strikepoint (an internationally acclaimed bell choir from First UMC Duluth). We'll be sending groups to Appalachia and the Boundary Waters, and we'll be praying this question: God, what do you want to do through me?

It's a circuit rider summer.

As for me, I am going to be proud-weeping as Cooper retires in June after 42 years of parish ministry. The tears will continue from the grief and gratitude well as I hand over the keys to my cabin (fifty years!) July 1st. My middle daughter Rachel will be married by the shores of Lake Superior in late July. I turn sixty in August, and Cooper and I will take a trip to Norway in late August to digest this many-splendored thing called life. Transitions are emotional times. It will be an open-pored emotional summer for this mother-wife-pastor.

It's hard sometimes to hold the spaces we need to savor life. The busy can take us over and we can feel summer-exhausted before we even begin.

My prayer for us all is that we take the time to sip good coffee while the morning birds sing. I pray that we feel the sun on our skin and the sweet blessing of water holding us in canoes or boats. I pray that we give over to God the worries that can bedevil our days. I pray that we know the world as blessing and parish, both.

Wherever we are, God is.

Wherever we are, we have the opportunity to practice kindness and gratitude.

Wherever you are this summer, ride into church and join us in worship. We are here. We have a story to tell and share.

Blessings galore.

Pastor Elizabeth

Spring into SUMMER!

June 4 @ CUMC 10-1

Games
Bounce House
Food
Celebrate Seniors
Service Project
What more could you want on a Sunday??

MAKER'S FUN FACTORY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
CREATION CONTEST
FOR RECYCLED INVENTIONS

- 1.) Sketch your invention
- 2.) Use recycled materials to create a unique creation!

Bring both your sketch and creation to be displayed at the church

Winners announced: June 4 during the Spring into Summer Party

Contact: alisha@cumethodist.com

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PRESENTS

Movie Night

WALL-E

JUNE 14

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM
MOVIE BEGINS 7:00PM

Bring your friends and family to chow down popcorn while watching Disney's WALL-E

Next movie will be July 26

Contact: alisha@cumethodist.com

Family Movie Night is Back! WALL-E

Come join us for a galactic adventure! In the not so distant future, we will be dependent on many different technologies to help us survive. WALL-E is an invention that is built to literally pick up the mess that humans created. June is a month for creativity as we head toward Vacation Bible School's Maker's Fun Factory. Let's get our imagination caps on and venture together.

Summer Play Dates

Christ United Methodist Church

Bring your children to Christ United Methodist Church for our summer play dates! We will either be on the church's playground, labyrinth, or inside our gymnasium! We'll coordinate the games and activities-- all you have to do is show up!

Begins June 13th
Tuesdays, 9am-11am

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JULY 9 | 3PM
River Valley District Fun Day

Join with other United Methodists in the River Valley District for an afternoon of fun and fellowship at Oxbow Park in Byron! Bring food to share, dishes, utensils & chairs.



Register: www.cumethodist.com/vbs-2017 Vacation Bible School

Welcome to Maker Fun Factory where kids learn they are created by God and built for a purpose! We're glad you've chosen this amazing adventure that will help kids begin or deepen their faith by exploring how our loving God made each of us! This week will help ground kids in the solid foundation of Jesus' love, a love that gives our lives incredible purpose. At Maker Fun Factory, children do not just hear about God's love; they see it, touch it, sing it, taste it, and put it into action! As they travel from station to station, they go deeper into their understanding of God and God's Son, Jesus.

Schedule:

June 26-30, 2017
Monday- Friday
9am-12pm, Noon

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Early Bird Special: \$25
Registration (after May 26): \$30

VBS Maker Fun Factory curriculum will engage children ages 3-10 with different interactive stations, snacks, and games. During this time there will be volunteers traveling with the children to ensure a positive, safe experience.

June 30th, 2017
Friday
5:30pm-8:00pm

VBS BBQ

Free!

This is a time where all are invited to see and experience what children were doing the week of VBS. There will be food, a display of the week's work, and a short "taste of VBS" for children who were unable to attend.

Contact: Alisha Nelson, Children and Family Ministries Director
alisha@cumethodist.com

Maker Fun Factory Stations:

SOUND WAVE SING + PLAY

The Sound Wave Sing & Play introduces the Bible Point and key bible verses in creative, theatrical ways. Kids will sing, watch performances, and enthusiastically be invited into the day's VBS plan.

SNACK FACTORY

No VBS would be complete without snacks! These are no ordinary snacks, however. Each one will be crafted by the children to connect the overall theme of the day with what they are eating.

GAME MAKERS

Each day there is a game! For those who love to wiggle and move as they explore, we will provide the time and excitement while continuing to connect the theme of the day.

BIBLE DISCOVERY

Bible stories at Maker Fun Factory are not just read, they are experienced! Children will actually climb and crawl, to DISCOVER themselves in each of the day's lessons. They will learn that each one of us is uniquely crafted and created by God.

IMAGINATION STATION

Kids dive into exciting experiments that connect to the day's Bible story and Bible point. Be ready to get your creative gears turning!

KIDVID CINEMA

KidVid Cinema connects real kids stories with the Bible Story of the day. This is when our children are able to discuss and process why the day's learning is important in our day-to-day lives.

FUNSHOP FINALE

Funshop Finale includes a dramatic and interactive production to remind each child what they learned that day.

Daily Bible Points:

MONDAY:	God Made you.
TUESDAY:	God is for you.
WEDNESDAY:	God is always with you.
THURSDAY:	God will always love you.
FRIDAY:	God made you for a reason.

Call for VBS Volunteers! Would you like to help with VBS? Are you available any day during the VBS week (June 26-30th from 9am-noon)?

Volunteer positions:

- **Crew Leaders:** People who are in charge of guiding about 5 children through the VBS experience. They will participate in all the activities. They will also keep the children together, focused, and excited!
- **Station Leaders:** People who want to teach at a station (see station listing above!)
- **Theater Participants:** We have a full theater component during intro and conclusion each day. If you are interested in theater or know anyone who would enjoy performing, get involved! There is a full curriculum, we just need people to execute and have some fun!
- **Decorating Volunteers:** We will decorate on Sunday, June 25th from noon to 4pm. If you can't help during the week of VBS, this is a fantastic way to contribute your talent!
- **Donation Volunteers:** We are looking for many VBS supplies. This is a well appreciated effort to support VBS 2017.

For more information, connect with Alisha Nelson, *Children and Family Ministries Director* at alisha@cumethodist.com !

Rochester Community Tour of Minneapolis Jeremiah Program Campus Friday, June 2nd, noon

JoMarie Morris, our February Forum presenter, has invited us to visit the Jeremiah Program Campus. What a great opportunity to see a facility and program that will be replicated in Rochester! *Jeremiah Program CEO*, Gloria Perez, *Minneapolis Child Development Director*, Debra Brown, and a resident will speak at the event. Transportation will be provided. A bus will leave the Rochester Area Foundation parking lot (12 Elton Hills Drive NW) at noon and return at approximately 5pm. Please contact JoMarie Morris directly, jmorris@jeremiahprogram.org or 507 254 7901, to reserve a seat on the bus or ask questions.

Ridin' Into Summer

Circuit Rider Summer:

A Methodist Revival



**We're RIDIN' INTO SUMMER!
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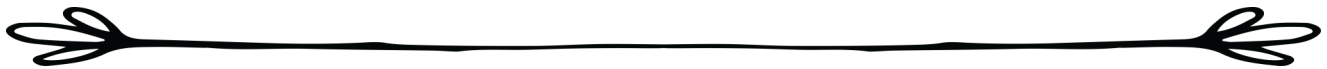
Git along, little doggies...color your horse and take some fun photos with it! **(Look in the June 4th bulletin or stop in the church office for your very own horse that looks just like the one you see on the left!)**

Circuit riders were important to our Methodist tradition, and so are you! They traveled by horse to spread the word of Christ. Also track

your travelings with a map in the Commons and see where your fellow circuit riders have been/are headed!

Whether you're exploring the Wild West of Rochester or meandering a little farther into the world this summer, we wanna feel like we're ridin' right beside you! **Send us photos with your family and horse to email@cumethodist.com and see them on our Facebook page or in the New Spirit newsletter.**

Head 'em up, move 'em out!!!



Third Sunday Forum

June 18th, 10:15 – 11:15am, Hamline Room (lower level)

The Need and Cost of Child Care



Marlene Jehnke, from Families First, will share the cost of child care and the need in Rochester for both available and affordable child care. Marlene has been the Services Director at Families First for six years and oversees three programs: Child Care Aware, Early Learning Scholarships, and the Crisis Nursery Program. She has worked with youth and family programs for many years and with the YMCA in Rochester and Houston, Texas. Marlene received her Bachelor's Degree in Communication from the University of Houston.

As CUMC considers opening THRIVE!: A Child Care and Family Resource Center, you won't want to miss this opportunity to hear how we can provide a needed service to the Rochester community.



THANK YOU to John Flanders who made the beautiful table you can now see in the ECC (Education Conference Center)!!!

Have an article for the *New Spirit*? Please submit it to nikki@cumethodist.com by the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Late articles may be very tiny or invisible.
Thank you and happy writing!



Love Offering– Sunday, June 11th

The 2017 Annual Conference theme is "Encounter the Spirit: Live Expectantly" and funds from this year's Love Offering will go to three projects:



United Methodist University of Sierra Leone—School of Applied Health Sciences

Recipient of 60 percent of 2017 Love Offering

Sierra Leone has one of the lowest life expectancies in the world, and one in every five children die before their fifth birthday. The vast majority of the country's citizens don't have access to health services, and there is an acute shortage of trained health professionals. This portion of the Love Offering will be used to expand United Methodist University of Sierra Leone by creating a School of Applied Health Sciences in the city of Bo. Funds may be used for rehabilitating an existing classroom building, hiring staff, preparing a curriculum, and purchasing materials. The school will be adjacent to United Methodist-affiliated Mercy Hospital, where students will receive practical, hands-on training. Midwives, nurses, community health officers, and technicians who graduate from this new institution will significantly improve the accessibility and quality of health care throughout Sierra Leone.



Emma Norton Services

Recipient of 30 percent of 2017 Love Offering

Emma Norton Services helps women, children, and families achieve victory over homelessness, mental illness, and chemical dependency. The Twin Cities-based nonprofit provides safe, affordable housing through Emma Norton Residence, which supports 50 women in transition at any given time, and Emma's Place, which houses 13 families on a permanent basis. In addition to housing, Emma Norton Services provides case management, peer and individual support programs, youth programs, life skills and out-of-poverty training, mental health support, and advocacy for women with disabilities. Through Emma Norton Services, families receive resources and coaching to equip them on their path toward stability.



Volunteers in Mission Scholarships

Recipient of 10 percent of 2017 Love Offering

Mission trips transform the lives of participants by giving them an opportunity to grow in faith and gain a new perspective of the world. Through the United Methodist Church's Volunteers in Mission program, teams spend up to two weeks working on mission projects domestically or abroad. Most teams from Minnesota are engaged in hands-on projects that build infrastructure to ensure that nutritional, medical, and educational programs in developing countries become sustainable and locally run. Team members pay their own way, and the Love Offering helps offset the cost for first-time participants.



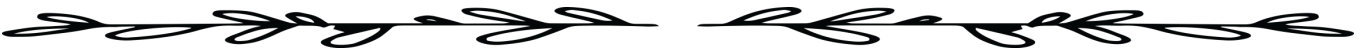
From the Ashes- Wednesday, June 21st
7pm in the ECC (Education Conference Center)

We are excited to announce the opportunity to host an advance screening of the new documentary film, *From the Ashes*. Produced by RadicalMedia, in partnership with Bloomberg Philanthropies, this is a screening you won't want to miss. The National Geographic global broadcast of this film will premiere on June 25th.

"*From the Ashes* captures Americans in communities across the country as they wrestle with the legacy of the coal industry and it's future. From Appalachia to the West's Powder River Basin, the film

goes beyond the rhetoric of the 'war on coal' to present compelling and often heartbreaking stories about what's at stake for our economy, health, and climate. *From the Ashes* invites audiences to learn more about an industry on the edge and what it means for their lives."

This is a great opportunity for our faith community to discuss positive actions towards a clean energy future, protection of creation, and the health of our planet.



GET READY FOR AN UPDATE!

The dates are set – all we need is **you** to help make our new CUMC directory perfect.

WHEN: July 25-28 (Tuesday – Friday) 1:00 pm– 8:00 pm
 July 29 (Saturday) 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
 September 21 (Friday) 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 September 22 (Saturday) 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
 September 26 – September 29 (Tuesday – Friday) 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 September 30 (Saturday) 9:00 am – 1:30 pm



WE NEED YOU
 to make our new family directory complete

SCHEDULING: You'll be able to schedule your appointment online by visiting the link on the CUMC website, OR, you can utilize paper sign ups at CUMC between select services in June and August.

WHO: All CUMC members and regular attendees are welcome to participate.

EXTRA's: FEED THE NEED – when you come for your photo session and bring a food item you'll receive \$5.00 off any Lifetouch photography order placed.

WHAT YOU RECEIVE: 1 complimentary professional 8 X 10 photo; 1 spiral bound directory complete with photos, names, addresses and contact information; access to the online directory application. The ability to make new friends by knowing who your fellow parishioners are. Activity pages will be included so you can see the wonderful opportunities available. The ability to schedule "generational" photo sessions (schedule 1 session per family – all members show up for session 1).

SOCIAL MEDIA: Information will be available on the CUMC website and Facebook. Additional information will be coming. Please help spread the word to your CUMC friends and family so we may make this directory a wonderful tool for all to use. We are looking for volunteers to help with photography days. Near the end of June, you will be able to sign up using a link found on the CUMC webpage. THANK YOU in advance for your willingness to help.



The CUMC *Book of Life*

LIVING, CELEBRATING & REMEMBERING WITH YOU

New Members

Nora Barlow and David Singleton:

They met in Atlanta in a parking lot; two years later they worked together on an ambulance. They've been together ever since. Nora and David wanted to raise a family outside of Atlanta and moved to Rochester, where Nora grew up. They both work at Gold Cross and enjoy their wonderful baby, Archer. Nora and David chose CUMC because they have family here and they are hoping to raise well-rounded children here in the church.



Nicole and Royce Ruter:

They have two wonderful and beautiful daughters, Allison and Claire. Nicole grew up in Eau Claire, WI. She has lived in Rochester for the past 17 years and works at Mayo Clinic in ultrasound. Nicole is quite fond of her furry child, Abbi the Schnoodle, who some say is spoiled. Nicole and her family attended a 9am service here at CUMC and she was greatly moved by Pastor Elizabeth's sermons. She felt excited and energized about her faith again. Nicole is looking forward to growing in her faith and strengthening her relationship with God. She is also excited about watching her girls on their faith journey and having meaningful experiences with church leaders and friends. Royce was born and raised in SE South Dakota. He was baptized and continued his faith journey in a Methodist church and always feels welcome here at CUMC. Radiology Informatics is his day job and officiating high school and college basketball and football is his passion. Royce has a great family that includes his best friend, Nicole, and their two daughters, Allison and Claire. Both Royce and Allison look forward to their ASP trip in July. Royce hopes to be a lifelong CUMC member helping to break the cycle of poverty and working to introduce others to God.

Baptisms

Archer Richard Ross Singleton, son of Nora Barlow and David Singleton, born August 15, 2016, baptized by Pastor Elizabeth Macaulay on May 21, 2017. Sponsors: Aubrey Winkler and James Vincent

Altan Leander Ayres, son of Michael Ayres and Audrey Schuetz, born February 18, 2013, baptized by Pastor Elizabeth Macaulay on May 21, 2017. Sponsors: Sandy and Bill Williams, Al and Joanne Schuetz

Remembering

Drusilla Colleen Easley
January 23, 1925 – May 16, 2017



Marilyn Latham- Spotlight Volunteer for June!

Marilyn Latham volunteers in the office a few days a week and was gracious to fill in extra time over the winter months! Marilyn is the youngest of five children. Her family started out in Billings, Montana as farmers and later moved to Spring Valley, Minnesota. Marilyn currently lives in Rochester with her husband, Bob. They have four children-Thomas, Gregory, Elizabeth, and Matthew. They also have seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren! Marilyn and Bob enjoy spending time with their friends and relatives, playing games, and hosting dinner parties. Marilyn likes sewing, reading and traveling. In the recent past, Marilyn and Bob would spend half of the year in Florida. We asked Marilyn what she likes most about Christ UMC. It's memories and tradition that are most memorable for her – all of her children were baptized here and three out of her four children walked the aisle to be married in this church. Marilyn also talked about the stained glass window above the altar. She said the window "looks over everyone and pulls me to a deeper level during the services." While Marilyn lived in Florida, she volunteered at the church she attended in the same type of office position she currently holds here at Christ UMC. When she was back in Rochester talking about volunteering with a group of people, Pastor Elizabeth posed the question to volunteer here at Christ UMC and the rest is history! Marilyn really likes helping in the office because it's meaningful work to greet people, meet new people, and work with the staff. Marilyn always feels very happy to be here and it makes her day!



Thank you, Marilyn, for making the office a cheerful place. Thanks for all the hard work you dedicate to getting the bulletins ready on Fridays. You are a gem to work with and always willing to take on new projects!

(Submitted by *Spotlight Volunteer Interview Team*: Nikki Gensmer and Gwen Ravenhorst)

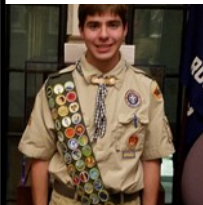


Seniors



Annika Zimmer will be attending the University of Minnesota Twin Cities to study business through the Carlson School of Management.

Psalm 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation- whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life- of whom shall I be afraid?



Aidan Zimmer will be attending the University of Minnesota Twin Cities this fall.



Josephine Van Ert will attend University of Wisconsin Stevens Point - Musical Theatre BFA program this fall.

Psalm 32:8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you"



Brendan Hanson will attend North Dakota State University (NDSU) in Fargo, ND. He will be studying Crop and Weed Science with a focus in Agronomy.



Cullen Zimmer will be attending the University of Minnesota Twin Cities this fall.



Daria Koon will be attending Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois this fall.



Laurel Naylor will be attending the University of Minnesota-Duluth this fall.

Romans 8:28-31 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.

Nathaniel Gunter (not pictured) will be attending the University of Oklahoma this fall.

Meeting Christ Church Organizer

Do you like to meet new people? Are you passionate about Christ UMC? If you answer yes, then we have a great proffer opportunity for you! Meeting Christ Church is a 2nd Sunday of the month luncheon that allows people getting acquainted with our church a time to meet with the pastors and leadership members to ask questions, receive information about the church, groups and your faith journey. After this luncheon, our guests have the wonderful opportunity to join Christ UMC on the 4th Sunday of any future month. The organizer is someone who calls on guests and invites them to the luncheons and follows up after the luncheon. It could be by phone, email or postcard – the way that best suits the guest. The time commitment each month is around 4 hours. Please contact Gwen, Office Manager, at 289-4019 or gwen@cumethodist.com if this position interests you or you want to learn more!

Women and the Sacred

Are you interested in sharing good conversation, prayer, and books? Women and the Sacred meets on the second and fourth Fridays in the Fireside Lounge from 10– 11:30am. We are beginning a new book on June 9th. Barbara Brown Taylor's *An Altar in the World* is a lyrical call to being present to God in all places. Please consider joining us. We will be discussing the introduction and chapters one and two. Money back guarantee, you will love the company of women and the Spirit. This group is led by Pastor Elizabeth.

Guatemala Update

Exciting and adventurous news: we are looking to do a new thing for our winter service trip in 2018.

The last 13 years we have gone to Guatemala through the organization Salud y Paz. We have great relationships with them and have sent at least five long-term missionaries from this congregation to serve them for over a year at a time: such amazing passion and energy! We want to continue to build into this relationship, but in a new way. The leadership committee of the Mission to Guatemala "YAM" trip has decided that this year we will try something new, and begin to alternate the international trip with an in-country trip, starting this year. Thirteen years in a row—sometimes multiple trips in one year!—is an impressive feat. It feels like a good time for transition and change. The hunger for mission and service is stronger than ever at Christ UMC: there were 17 adults who were interested in going on Appalachia Service Project this year, so many that we had to turn away some people. The Guatemala trip has been strong as well. But international travel has its blessings and pitfalls, one major obstacle being that it is very expensive. We want to open a trip that is more affordable so more people can have an intergenerational mission experience, without having to compete with the Guatemala trip.

We are still setting the final dates and locations for the 2018 trip: if you have interest in staying updated, in helping put together the new trip or input in the changes, please contact Pastor Katy. We would love to hear from you!

Summer Baptism Class

Are you interested in a baptism for yourself or a little one or know someone who may be? Save the date for our Summer Baptism Class: **August 5th!** More details to follow.

If you would like to inquire now, go to: www.cumethodist.com/baptism and fill out the Baptism Inquiry Form!



youth life @ a glance

youth is 6th-12th grade unless specified age activities



“Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time”

The Historical Jesus & the Heart of Contemporary Faith

Sundays: June 11th – July 16th
10:15 – 11am
Fireside Room

The Reverend Frank Nichols will be teaching this six week class based on Meeting Jesus for the First Time by Marcus J. Borg

A review of the book on www.spiritualityandpractice.com states that Borg proclaims that Christian life is “ultimately not about believing or about being good.” Rather, it is about “a relationship with God that involves us in a journey of transformation.”

Borg, a leader of the Jesus Seminar group who spoke at CUMC several years ago, views the historical Jesus as a spirit person, teacher of alternative wisdom, social prophet, and movement founder who invited all into a transforming relationship with the Spirit that he himself knew.

Join this class for thought-filled discussion and meet Jesus again for the first time!

June 19

Bubble ball!!!!
Meet at church at 6 pm, bring 10\$ and money for food. Bubble ball starts @ 7 @Soldier's field

July 1-10

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT TRIP TO KENTUCKY

July 13

Hot weather: WATER TUBING @ 10 am
Cooler/Rainy: Honker's Game @ 7 pm

July 23-27

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOUNDARY WATERS TRIP

Aug 20

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT: 7 pm
in the Labyrinth. Byo lawnchair

Notes From Pastor Nancy, *Pastor for Congregational Care*

- **Hospital Visit Requests.** If someone you love is in the hospital, please know that the pastors and our hospital lay visitors are glad to visit, if requested! You need to call and let us know the name of the person and where they are hospitalized. We do not have access to the Chaplain's list and have no way of knowing someone is hospitalized unless you call us.
- **The Mild Cognitive Impairment Group will meet again on June 14th from 10-11am.** Please note that this month we are meeting on the second Wednesday instead of our usual third Wednesday. We invite everyone living with MCI and their significant other to join us for lively discussion, laughter and understanding. Pastor Nancy (myself) serves as facilitator. Please contact me to join the confidential and caring group—
nancy@cumethodist.com.
- **Holy Listening Event.** We had 45 members and guests who came to Christ UMC on May 20th to learn more about Holy Listening. Lay people were learning from the presenters and from each other how to start or continue as a caring lay minister. Guests came from around the MN Annual Conference to attend along with many Christ Church people. Thanks to all who participated. A special thank you to Rev. Cooper Wigen who was the keynote speaker.
- **New Congregational Care Ministry Team.** These members will provide congregational care for a variety of care needs. They will receive extensive training and will meet with me monthly. Sound interesting? Please contact me. Also, please pray for the new Care Ministry Team of Congregational Care Ministers. They are being called to provide this care to the people of Christ UMC. Pray for healing to a broken world.



June 11th, 18th and 25th make up the Emma Norton Services (ENS) Month at Christ United Methodist Church. On these Sundays the United Methodist Women will be offering you heart shaped cookies when you
"Give From the Heart"!

Support ENS by giving in honor or memory of loved ones. There will be a tree where you can place a heart with a loved one's name on it. This money will go toward a new program that supports ex Emma's Place and Emma Norton's residents as they move into the private rental market throughout the community. Moving can be a daunting transition and all need help in keeping their families and homes healthy in mind and body.

In-kind donations are also welcome. We will have containers for these items in the Commons from June 11th through the 25th. Items needed are: soap, tampons, laundry detergent, towels, paper towels, toilet paper, twin bedding (sheets, comforters, blankets) new pillows and cases.

Emma Norton Forum, Hamline Room, 10:15am– June 11th

Becky Boland comes to us from Emma Norton Services. She grew up in Stewartville, MN. She has 15 years of experience creating and maintaining public-private partnerships with results and impacts in safety, economic vitality and housing and transportation. She also has provided positive grant experiences for many Minnesota organizations. Becky's passion is bringing public and private groups together with innovative ideas thinking outside the box. She lives in Minneapolis, volunteers at her church and her daughter's school.

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The world is our map and playground. Rochester is the Wild West. This summer we're tending our pastures and exploring history! Grab your horse and saddle up! (Your paper cut out horse, that is. And bring it with you if you mosey on out of town!)

Christ United Methodist Church is ridin' into a summer-long celebration.

OTHER EVENTS :

- ★ Summer Play Dates- starts June 13, Tuesdays, 9-11am
- ★ Family Movie Nights- June 14, July 26 at 6:30pm
- ★ Stikepoint Handbell Concert- July 22nd at 7pm
- ★ Rajpack/Celebrate Youth Sunday- July 16th
- ★ Pridfest Service (Soldier's Field)- July 23rd at 11am

Sunday Worship: 8am (Chapel) 9am (Sanctuary) 11am (ECC)
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