

# **Welcome to Worship**

# Sunday, November 17, 2024 Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Reign of Christ Sunday

Being in Relationship

\*Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE Adagio on a Traditional Swedish Hymn Tune arr. by Alice Jordan

WELCOME Pastor Karen Evenson

**\*HYMN** *Kum Ba Yah, My Lord* (UMH 494, v1-4, 6)

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, when wars and rumors of wars circle all around, Jesus says:

All: Do not be alarmed. This is not the end. This is just the beginning.

Leader: When earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, famines, and floods produce chaos and destruction. Jesus says:

All: Do not be alarmed. This is not the end. This is just the beginning.

Leader: When misinformation and disinformation and overloaded information try to dismantle relationships of trust in families, churches, cities, and nation, Jesus says:

All: Do not be alarmed. This is not the end. This is just the beginning.

Leader: Children of God, whatever leaves you feeling unsteady, insecure, scared, and confused today--do not be alarmed. This is not the end.

All: This is just the beginning...

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

We come to worship today knowing that you are here and everywhere! We are reminded that it is you who inscribes our ending, our beginning, and everything in-between in Love. Help us to lean into that today and every day and let your Love light our way! It's in your Holy name we pray. Amen

KIDS MESSAGE

(Kids of all ages are invited to join the pastor up front)

**SPECIAL MUSIC** 

My Shepherd by Virgil Thomsen UMCA Chancel Choir

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### A MOMENT TO SHARE THE STORY

Jim Boyke ~ Mujila Falls

\*HYMN O Come, O Come Emmanuel (UMH 211, v 1 & 2)

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 13:1-8 (NRSVUE)

MESSAGE "Getting Ready"

Pastor Karen Evenson

OFFERING Precious Lord by Thomas Dorsey
UMCA Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH 94)

#### \*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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

\*HYMN

Go Now in Peace (repeat) (UMH 665)

\*BENEDICTION POSTLUDE

Now Let Us Come Before Him by J.C. Bach

# November 24, 2024 Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

John 18:33-37

"Working Things Out"
Message by Pastor Karen Evenson

#### Charge Conference on Tuesday, November 19th at 4:30pm

Reason for Charge Conference: Setting the Pastor's Compensation Package

The Servant Leadership Board (SLB) are the elected representatives of the church body. They are the voting members at board meetings, and when the church holds a *Charge Conference*. Monthly SLB Meetings are always open to all who are a part of United Methodist Church of Anoka (UMCA) and are interested in attending. A person must be a member of the local United Methodist Church (UMCA) in order to have a vote at *Church Conferences*.

What is the difference between a Charge Conference and a Church Conference?

The charge conference is the basic governing body of each United Methodist local church and is composed of all members of the church council (or administrative board or leadership team). A church conference invites broader participation of the members of the congregation beyond just the church council members in that all members of a local United Methodist church are invited to attend and are extended the privilege of vote. All members of the charge or church conference must be members of the local church.



#### **Worship Hospitality Team**

Certified Lay Minister ~ John Lloyd Choral Conductor ~ George Chu Coffee/Donut Steward ~ Jim and Liz Balabon Communion Steward ~ Jim January Deaconess ~ Kim Harris

Discipleship Coordinator ~ Adam Breiner Greeters ~ Bill and Margaret Ekstrum Music Ensembles ~ Kathy Chojnacki

Nursery Coordinator and Volunteer ~ Amanda Harris and Babs Brown

Organist ~ Marilyn Tice
Pastor ~ Rev. Karen Evenson
Praise Team Coordinator ~ Kelvin Paye
Scripture Reader ~ Margaret Ekstrum

Sunday School Leader and Assistant ~ Adam Breiner and Candy Gislason
Ushers ~ David Blincow, Gail Sanstad, Joyce Buffington, Roxy Crane, and Mark Worst
Welcome Center ~ Priscilla Speakman and Sandy Burnham
Worship Tech ~ Dallas Berry

#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

UMCA Office Hours: 10:00am - 2:00pm ~ Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Or by appointment, please contact us at:
Phone: 763-421-2378 | Email: umcanoka@gmail.com

Monday, November 18, 2024

6:00pm Grief Group

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

4:30pm Servant Leadership Board Meeting and Charge Conference ~ All are Welcome 7:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

8:30am Learn to Ring Bell Class 9:00am Sewing & Quilting Group

10:30am New Testament Bible Study with Pastor Stephen Perry

5:45pm Wednesday Nite Life 6:00pm Jubilee Bells Rehearsal 6:30pm Youth Group 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 21, 2024

8:00am Thursday Book Group at Bakers Square 9:30am Bring Your Bible ~ In-Person & Zoom

Saturday, November 23, 2024

10:30am Puzzle-Palooza

Sunday, November 24, 2024

**SUNDAY SERVICE** 

9:30am Worship (In-Person & Online) 11:30am Methodist Confirmation Session

# **November Ministry Highlight:**



### Welcome to Mujila Falls!

Here at UMCA, we have been partnering with the Mujila Falls Agriculture Center for almost two decades! Over the years, we have been amazed and inspired at the work being done in this remote part of Zambia. The farm has grown from a dream to a plan, to a working farm that not only provides resources, but services as a place for training, teaching, and research.

#### Here's how you can help in 2024:

Make a donation by writing a check to UMCA and marking it as "Mujila Falls" in the memo line.

Support the farm and give a loving gift to a friend, family member, or coworker (perhaps for a birthday, anniversary, or other celebration!) by "purchasing" animals or supplies for the farm!

Please fill out the form at the Welcome Desk to participate in this opportunity.

#### **WORSHIP NOTES:**

Scan QR Code to connect to our website for more information on the church, to donate, or view our weekly bulletin:

