June 26, 2022 Third Sunday after Pentecost



Moyers, Mike, *Lenten Labyrinth*, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN

#### To join worship this morning via zoom app, click this link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83928727469?pwd=WFhzWkJFQjBhTlp4UEU</u> <u>vdWRhS2lKdz09</u>

(if you are asked for a password, it is: 890967). **To dial in by phone** call 1 312 626 6799. When prompted, enter **839 2872 7469**#. Next, you will be prompted to enter your participant ID or to push #; **simply push # again**.

## Music will be displayed on the screen during the livestream.

## Prelude

## Welcome

If you're new to First Church, we'd love to get to know you better. You can sign up to receive our email communications on the home page of our website, <u>www.firstchurchmn.org</u> (scroll down to the heading "stay connected" on the right side of the page). You find us on Facebook by searching for "First Congregational Church of MN, UCC." You're also welcome to introduce yourself in the chat or comments.

## Greeting

We will have a few minutes during each service this summer to connect with each other. This activity is encouraged yet optional! If you are on Zoom, and you want to join in, you can accept the invitation to a breakout room. If you are in the sanctuary, please stand up and find someone to talk to. Those who prefer not to participate can stay seated. This week's prompt is:

Share a meaningful experience.

**Gathering Words** from Peter W. Marty, *Christian Century* magazine, June 17, 2022

Hymn: Enter, Rejoice, and Come In, NCH 73

Scripture: Psalm 16; Luke 9:51–62

Sermon: "Agitational Jesus," Jane McBride

Hymn: Called as Partners in Christ's Service, NCH 495

#### **Prayers of the People**

Please share your prayer requests in the chat and we will pray with you.

#### Lord's Prayer

A commonly used form is printed below. You are welcome to use the version most meaningful to you.

Our God, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.

#### Offering

We invite your financial gifts to support our ministries within and beyond First Church. June's Special Offering is given to Strengthen the Church, one of four special offerings of the United Church of Christ.

Please leave your offering in the offering plates on the table in the back. You can also give electronically by going to our website: <u>www.firstchurchmn.org</u>, and clicking on the "Support Us" link. You can also give by texting 612-255-4109: "\$(amount) Special" (for the monthly offering) or "\$(amount) General Fund. If you give by check, please make it out to First Church with "STC" in the memo line. Thank you!

## Offertory

**Offertory Response** *Dance with the Spirit,* Words and music by Jim Strathdee

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

All: Living Christ, in every moment, you are moving with purpose, moving toward new life for creation and wholeness for all beings. We will journey with you, discerning our part in your work. Amen.

#### Announcements

Hymn: Breath of God, Breath of Peace

#### Benediction

#### Postlude

Thanks to those who serve in the following roles today: Usher: Jean Anderson Reader: Barb Franklin Special Music: Ann Sather, Jeff Stone Flowers: Mary Byers Valet: Tom Lincoln Tech Support: Maggie George, Ruth Lemire

## Coming up this week

**Today** 9:30a: Coffee Hour 10a: Worship 11a: Coffee Hour 11:30: People's Climate Justice house party 4:30p: Backyard Gathering @home of the Fate Family

#### Monday, June 27

9a: Day Camp @Bethel Lutheran Church

**Tuesday, June 28** 9a: Day Camp @Bethel Lutheran Church

**Wednesday, June 29** 9a: Day Camp @Bethel Lutheran Church

**Thursday, June 30** 9a: Day Camp @Bethel Lutheran Church

**Saturday, July 2** 4p: Backyard Gathering @home of Eve Parker and Tom von Sternberg

**Sunday, July 3** 10a: Worship @University Baptist Church

# Announcements

**Minneapolis People's Climate and Equity Plan House Party TODAY after worship.** Learn about the People's Climate and Equity Plan today at 11:30a. In addition to a brief presentation about the plan, we'll have postcards with original artwork for participants to write a message to their city councilmembers.

**Change in worship schedule.** We are changing our shared July worship schedule with University Baptist Church. We will now meet at UBC on Sundays July 3 and 10, and UBC will join us at First Church on July 17 and 24. UBC is located at 1219 University Ave. SE. All worship begins at 10a. At UBC, the main portion of the worship service is livestreamed on their YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7D3azVy8KRmFNgnUY-jDAw

Following the livestreamed portion of the service, folks share joys and concerns in person and on Zoom. We will provide these links in the email that comes to your inbox on Sunday mornings.

**Staff note:** Sarah Tittle is on vacation until Tuesday July 5. Jane McBride is on vacation July 3-9. If you are in need of pastoral care while Jane is away, please contact Rev. Adam Blons, Lead Minister at Macalester Plymouth United Church. Adam's number is: 510-290-8084.

There are still opportunities to attend backyard gatherings! We want these events to be fun and the conversation spontaneous. At the same time, we plan to be intentional about connection, about engaging and including everyone. Our house gatherings will culminate in an all-church social on August 7 after worship. Please sign up by contacting Jane McBride (jmcbride@firstchurchmn.org) The host will follow up with more details.

- Sat. July 2 at 4p at the home of Tom von Sternberg and Eve Parker
- Sat. July 9 at 2 p at the home of Melissa Harl and Mandy Bell
- Sat. July 16 at 3p at the home of Maggie George
- Sat. July 23, 3p at the home of Francie and George Domstrand

**Plaster Repair Update** Our plaster repair project has begun! The project is scheduled to be completed by July 8 as the scaffolding rental is for one month. We will continue to have access to the sanctuary during the project, although the scaffolding will remain for the duration of the work. Please reach out at any time with questions or concerns to Jean Chagnon at tosu1992@yahoo.com.

## **Camping Opportunities!**

- July 22–24 at Father Hennepin State Park. Bring your own equipment and food. No cost for the campsite.
- August 26–28 at Camp Amnicon. Food and lodging are \$100 per person or \$300 per family/household. If you bring your own camping gear, the cost is \$65 per person. Kids under 2 can come for free!

Please let Jane know if you plan to come either of these weekends.