



the good news is...

together, the impossible
is possible



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PRELUDE

Prelude on Cross of Jesus

Emma Lou Diemer
Eileen Miller, Organist

WELCOME

Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Senior Pastor

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Kay Frase

If you need good news,
settle into this space.

We have good news to share.

If you need a word of hope,
**then trust us when we say,
there is hope enough to go around.**

If you need a glimmer of joy,
then you're in luck!

We have resilient joy abounding.

If you need to feel God's presence in your midst,
then know that this is God's house.

This is the good news of the gospel.

God is here. Love is real. Joy is on the move. Let us worship our with-us God!

* HYMN

We Come with Gifts; We Come in Need

Text: Amanda Udis-Kessler
Tune: Ellacombe

**We come with gifts; we come in need. We join our gifts as one
That we may meet each other's needs and help God's will be done.
Each blessing that we offer up, each talent we bestow
Contributes to the common good and helps the Kingdom grow.**

**And so, we build community with every gift we share,
A melding of diversity, united in God's care.
When I'm in pain you cry with me. I join in your delight.
We suffer and we celebrate. We turn the wrong to right.**

**Oh, grant that we may come to know each gift we have to give,
To cultivate them gratefully to help each other live
And may the gifts that others bring be welcomed and embraced
To make this fearful, angry world a just and joyful place**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Sharon Fields, Associate Pastor of Executive Operations

Holy God,
with you the impossible is possible.
5,000 can be fed.
The blind can see.
The hopeless can find hope.
With you the impossible is possible,
but we are quick to forget that.
We look at our hurting world and tell ourselves that nothing can be done.
We forget that you empowered the disciples to feed the crowd.
We forget that you are always with us.
Forgive our small-minded ways.
Forgive us for doubting that change could ever come.
But even more so, forgive us when we refuse to be a part of it.
With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, Amen.

*** WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

...The same is true for you and me, so hear and believe this good news:
today is a new day, and once again, we belong to God.
We are forgiven. We are called. We are not alone.
What good, good news. Amen!

*** PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
Share a sign of peace with your neighbors by greeting them in the way most comfortable for you.

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

Tove Trelstad-Larsen, Director of Student Ministries

We invite children to come up to the chancel steps for a special message. After the message, children in Prek-3rd grade can join staff and volunteers for Sacred Studio. 4th & 5th graders sit together in worship then gather in Youth Room after the sermon. Childcare is available for ages 5 and under in the Frolic Room.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Heather Grantham, Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 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.

ANTHEM

Adoramus te, Christe

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Chancel Choir, directed by Dr. David Kozisek

*Adoramus te, Christe,
et benedicimus tibi,
quia per sanctam crucem tuam
redemisti mundum.
Qui passus es pro nobis,
Domine, miserere nobis.*

We adore thee, O Christ,
and we bless thee,
because by thy holy cross
thou hast redeemed the world.
O Lord, who suffered for us,
have mercy on us.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 6:32-44

And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he began to teach them many things. When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat." But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." When they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to his disciples to set before the people, and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

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Rev. Tollgaard

ANTHEM

Hashivenu "*Rise Up and Sing*"

Traditional Israeli Folk Song,
arr. Brenda E. Austin
Handbell Choir

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN 2243

We All Are One in Mission

* SENDING FORTH

* SUNG BENEDICTION

Be Rooted in Hope

Paul Vasile

(Repeat after the leader)

**Be rooted in hope,
Be tended with grace,
Nourished by light
From God's loving face.**

**Bear fruit that will last,
And let your lives be
A sign of the peace
That can heal and set free**

POSTLUDE

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Emma Lou Diemer

*You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude.
Please join us after worship downstairs in the Community Room for coffee and refreshments.*

THIS WEEK AT HAMLINE CHURCH

SUN	10:00AM	LENTEN WORSHIP	
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room	
	11:15AM	YOUTH UKULELE BAND Room 10	
	11:30AM	ISAIAH MEETING Room 7	
TUES	6:30PM	DINING HALL TEAM MEETING Room 7	
	WED	12:30PM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message Contact Julie Dahlke (jliddvm@usfamily.net)
		1:00PM	MAHJONG Room 7
THUR	4:00PM	HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL	
	5:30PM	WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTION - DINNER	
	5:45PM	WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIO (<i>infant-5th grade</i>)	
	6:00PM	LENTEN SMALL GROUP	
	7:00PM	SING, SAY, DANCE, AND PLAY (<i>K-5th grade</i>)	
	7:00PM	HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL	
	7:00PM	CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL	
NEXT SUN	8:55AM	THURSDAY DAY SMALL GROUP Roseville Home	
	9:00AM	THURSDAY NIGHT SMALL GROUP Parlor	
NEXT SUN	9:15AM	CENTERING PRAYER Chapel	
	10:00AM	FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP BOOK GROUP Parlor	
	10:00AM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message (<i>above</i>)	
	11:00AM	LENTEN WORSHIP	
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room	
	11:15AM	YOUTH UKULELE BAND Room 10	
	11:30AM	ISAIAH MEETING Room 7	
	11:30AM	YOUTH GROUP Youth Room	
	11:30AM	THE GOSPEL OF JOHN SMALL GROUP Green Room	



KIDS TODAY

Children in Prek-3rd grade can join staff and volunteers for Sacred Studio after the children's moment. Please pick your child up at the end of worship: *Pre-K & K Room 10; 1st & 2nd Room 7; 3rd Parlor; 4th & 5th Youth Room.*

Are children welcome here?

Yes! Children are always welcome in worship. Coloring and reading supplies are available near the Commons doors, and in the narthex. We have a quieter space available to all in the chapel off the narthex.

Where is the nursery?

Children 5 and under are welcome in the nursery, located in Room 8 in the upstairs Sunday school hallway. Our service is streamed in the nursery, if you would like to join your child. Nursing spaces include: the rocking chairs in the sanctuary, the Frolic room 8, or the chapel off the narthex.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTION

On Wednesdays, all are welcome to join us for dinner, kids music, and small groups. Go to hamlinechurch.org/wednesday-connection for more information.

SING, SAY, DANCE, AND PLAY

Wednesdays at 6:00pm
K-5th graders make on Wednesdays! Children will warm up their bodies, voices, and spirits with fun activities while learning new songs and musical skills. Contact Emily Wilcox Freeburg (erwilcox@gmail.com) with questions!

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WORSHIP TODAY...

When do I stand?

* Please stand if you are able for titles marked with a star *

When do I speak?

Words in "Bold" print are for everyone.

Where is this hymn?

Hymns with 2 or 3 numbers are in the hard cover UMC hymnal. Hymns with 4 numbers are in the soft-cover *The Faith We Sing* hymnal.

Where is the restroom?

There are restrooms just through the commons at the top of the stairs. There are more restrooms downstairs below the front doors, including an all gender restroom.

A quiet low sensory space is available to all in the chapel off the narthex.



Assistive listening devices are available for use, or you can connect through wifi and use your own hearing aid or headset. Please see a greeter if you need assistance.



LENT 2026 TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD: GROUNDING OURSELVES IN THE GOOD NEWS

This Lent, we return to the heart of Jesus' life and teachings, something alive and life-giving. Join us for Lenten small groups and pick up a Lenten devotional in the Narthex or Commons, or request a digital copy by

emailing Isabel Bialka (ibialka@hamlinechurch.org).

Learn more and sign up at hamlinechurch.org/lent.



MARCH IS MN FOODSHARE MONTH

Donate Now!

Hamline Church is collecting food for Keystone Community Services, in our baskets in the Commons. Financial contributions allow the foodshelf to purchase in bulk. You can give online

at hamlinechurch.org/give and select MN FoodShare from the drop down menu or put your contribution in the offering boxes and note MN FoodShare.



MARCEL DUPRÉ'S LE CHEMIN DE LA CROIX

Sunday, March 29 at 4:00pm at Hamline Church
Fourteen Musical Meditations on Jesus' Passion, based on the grippingly dramatic poetry of Paul Claudel. Marcel Dupré employs twelve melodic themes and six rhythmic motives, each symbolizing a different element of the Fourteen Stations of the Cross.

Featuring acclaimed concert organist Stephen Hamilton with movement by celebrated dancer and choreographer Penelope Free. Narrated by NPR host Michael Barone. *Freewill donation.*

WAYS TO GIVE

Your offering helps support the mission and ministry of Hamline Church. There are many ways to make your contribution:

- Place offerings in the baskets after worship.
- Online giving: hamlinechurch.org/give (scan the QR code!)
- Checks can be mailed to the church.
- Text to Give: Text HamlineChurch1514G\$100 to 73256. Give in any increment you choose by entering the amount after the \$.

Thank you for your generosity!

Questions? Please visit hamlinechurch.org/give



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