

Prophets Among Us

Earthkeepers Sunday

Sunday, April 19, 2026



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PRELUDE

Pastorale in F Major

Johann Sebastian Bach
Eileen Miller, Organist

WELCOME

Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Senior Pastor

INTRODUCTION TO EARTHKEEPS SUNDAY

Melanie McCully

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** *based on the Hamline Church Land Acknowledgment*

Kenneth Sahr Momoh

We gather today to worship at Hamline Church, centering ourselves in the land where we stand:
Mni Sota Makoce

We gather on the land where the waters reflect the skies, homeland of the Dakota people

We gather near Bdote, the confluence of the Mississippi and Minnesota Rivers. For the Dakota, the center of the earth and the place of creation,

a sacred place of ceremony and prayer.

We gather on land ceded by the Dakota to the United States in 1837. But the terms of this treaty were not fair. U.S. government officials and prominent fur traders set up a system intended to drive the Dakota into debt, forcing them to sell their land at very low prices, depriving the Dakota of their livelihoods, communities, homelands, and sacred places.

The treaty makes our presence on this land legal, but it does not make it just.

This “treacherous cruelty” was fueled by the Christian Doctrine of Discovery – a doctrine justifying the conquest, colonization and enslavement of all non-Christians. We lament that Christian individuals and institutions participated in the unjust removal of native peoples from this land.

We confess our moral responsibility as Christians and, a congregation, we commit to repair harm.

In our care for God’s creation, on this land and in this building where we gather, we engage in the ongoing work of Sacred Reckoning:

We tell the truth about our histories.

We strive to reduce our footprint and use resources in a good way.

We build relationships in solidarity with our indigenous neighbors.

We seek to repair harm and return wealth to indigenous inhabitants of this land.

And we deepen our spiritual practice to support ourselves and each other in this work.

Read full Land Acknowledgement here: bit.ly/Hamline_Land_Acknowledgement

* HYMN

We Were Born Out of the Waters

Tune: Nettleton
Lyrics: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

We were born out of the waters that give life to all the earth.
We were made God's sons and daughters at the font of our rebirth.
Every day, God's waters bless us!
We are nourished and renewed;
For the waters that surround us give us life and health and food.

God, we hear the troubling thunder of the shouts of "Profit first!"
Land and streams are torn asunder till creation cries in thirst.
God, we thirst for healthy waters and for justice for the land,
As your faithful sons and daughters, may we rise to take a stand.

Just as rivers join each other,
all creation joins in song.
All of nature works together,
bold and beautiful and strong.
Fish that fill a flowing river,
springs of water from below
Daily point us to the Giver from whom blessings overflow.

God who made the whole creation,
with its rivers, fields and streams,
You have given us a vision of what caring for them means.
May we care for all your waters,
for your land, for sky above;
May we serve you as protectors of this world that you so love.

* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Tove Trelstad-Larsen, Director of Student Ministries

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

JoEllen Ambrose and Shirley Wright

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.

WELCOME & RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Rev. Heather Grantham, Assoc. Pastor of Spiritual Formation
Rev. Mariah Tollgaard*

David & Bree, Julia and Benjamin Kozisek; Rhys Ledger and Aderyn Ledger;
Lynn & Ben, Gabriel and Elliot Mullin; Mary & Ray Peterson.

Members of the household of God, I commend to your love and care these persons. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

God Is Seen

Tune: Captain Kidd, arr. Alice Parker
Chancel Choir, Directed by Dr. David Kozisek

SCRIPTURE

Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he

was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.” So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, “He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.” Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Practicing Repair *Rev. Dana Neuhauser*
*** SONG** Set It Right Again *Ana Hernandez*
Miriam Friesen & House Band

There’s a great trouble in the land; we’re gonna set it right again (x3)
We’re gonna set it right, set it right again!

We need clean water and healthy food; we’re gonna set it right again (x3)
We’re gonna set it right, set it right again!

No more bombs poisoning the land; we’re gonna set it right again (x3)
We’re gonna set it right, set it right again!

The web of life sustains us all; we’re gonna set it right again (x3)
We’re gonna set it right, set it right again!

Enough for all to live and thrive; we’re gonna set it right again (x3)
We’re gonna set it right, set it right again!

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** HYMN 583** You are the Seed (Sois La Semilla) (v. 1 & 2)

*** SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the God of Creation Johann Gottfried Walther

Thank you Hamline Church Earthkeepers for helping to plan and lead worship today!

*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.*

GUEST SPEAKER REV. DANA NEUHAUSER

Rev. Dana Neuhauser (she/her) is an ordained deacon in the United Methodist Church. Her ministry focuses on racial, LGBTQIA+, and environmental justice and seeks to invite and equip others to work for justice in the world as part of faithful living. She is an organizer and trainer for Sacred Reckonings and is rooted at New City Church in Minneapolis. Dana serves on the Steering Committee of Multifaith Anti-Racism, Change & Healing (MARCH) and the Board of Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light (MNIPL).

ABOUT THE HAMLINE CHURCH EARTHKEPPERS

The Hamline Church Earthkeepers are committed to caring for God’s creation by creating opportunities to engage, learn, and act together as a community. Rooted in our Christian and Methodist faith, we believe we are called to love and steward the earth. We welcome your voice, ideas, and leadership in this work—reach out to learn more or join our email list (HamlineEarthkeepers@gmail.com).

RISE & REPAIR ALLIANCE: UPDATES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Today at 11:20am in the Community Room
During Coffee Hour today, the Rise & Repair Alliance will share updates from their advocacy during the 2026 legislative session and action steps to get involved with current legislative efforts. Rise & Repair is a diverse, non-partisan alliance of people and organizations advancing Indigenous rights & climate justice in Minnesota. Look for an information table about Rise & Repair at Coffee Hour and stick around for the presentation and Q&A with Rise & Repair community organizer Eoin Small. Contact Miriam Friesen with questions (miriam.e.friesen@gmail.com).

THIS WEEK AT HAMLINE CHURCH



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

Spring Session: April 22, 29 & May 6
On Wednesdays, all are welcome to join us for dinner, kids music, and small groups. Dinner at 5:30pm, childcare at 5:45pm with an adult small group & kids music at 6:00pm. Go to hamlinechurch.org/wednesday-night for more information.

SING, SAY, DANCE, AND PLAY

Wednesdays at 6:00pm
K-5th graders make music 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.

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



SUN	10:00AM	EARTHKEEPERS WORSHIP + NEW MEMBER SUNDAY
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room
		YOUTH UKULELE BAND Room 10
	11:15AM	ISAIAH MEETING Room 7
	11:20AM	RISE AND REPAIR FORUM Community Room
	11:30AM	YOUTH GROUP Youth Room
12:00PM		INVITATION & INCLUSION GROUP Parlor
	2:00PM	DOROTHY DAY MEAL SERVICE Catholic Charities
	3:00PM	CCEC: LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS Community Room
WED	12:30PM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message Contact Julie Dahlke (jliddvm@usfamily.net)
	1:00PM	MAHJONG Room 7
	4:00PM	HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
	5:30PM	WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER
	5:45PM	WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIO (infant -5th Grade)
	6:00PM	MEDITATION SMALL GROUP
		SOUTH DAKOTA MISSION TRIP TRAINING
	SING, SAY, DANCE & PLAY (K -5th Grade)	
	HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL	
	7:00PM	CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL
THUR	8:00AM	MEN'S BREAKFAST Roseville Perkins
SAT	9:00AM	GARDEN WORK DAY
	5:00PM	ST. PAUL HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATION
NEXT SUN	8:55AM	CENTERING PRAYER Chapel
	9:00AM	FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP BOOK GROUP Parlor
	9:15AM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message (above)
	10:00AM	WORSHIP
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room
		GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT GROUP Green Room
	YOUTH UKULELE BAND Room 10	
	11:15AM	ISAIAH MEETING Room 7
	11:30AM	CONFIRMATION Youth Room

INVITATION & INCLUSION GROUP MEETING

Today at 12:00pm in the Parlor

Join us after Coffee Hour as we make decisions on planning for the St. Paul Pride Festival June 13 & 14, Twin Cities Pride Parade and Festival June 27 & 28, and activities for Disability Pride Month in July. Everyone interested in outreach to under-represented communities is encouraged to attend and bring ideas for inclusion. Contact Barb Metzger with questions (123fastmoving@gmail.com).

LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS:

THE CHURCHES' RESPONSE TO THE ICE SURGE

Today at 3:00pm in the Community Room

Since 2016, the Community Conversations Ecumenical Consortium has hosted regular forums on racism and justice. Today's forum will focus on how churches are responding with compassion and action to the challenges facing immigrant families. Speakers include Rev. Mariah Tollgaard (Hamline Church), Rev. Rex McKee (Episcopal Church), and Kathy Ramundt, Founder and Director of *Do Good Roseville*.

ST. PAUL HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATION

Next Saturday, April 25 at 5:00pm in the Sanctuary

Celebrate the passage of St. Paul's landmark human rights ordinance protecting 2SLGBTQIA+ communities, the first law in the nation to include specific protections for transgender people and a model for later legislation. Hear from public officials, community elders, and political activists. There will also be light refreshments and awards recognizing those who advance justice for 2SLGBTQIA+ people. Contact Barb Metzger (123fastmoving@gmail.com).

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