



# Graduation Sunday

## Sunday, June 7, 2026



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#### PRELUDE

Nimrod from the Enigma Variations

Sir Edward Elgar  
*Eileen Miller, Organist*

#### WELCOME

*Rev. Heather Grantham, Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation*

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Douglas Gardner*

Christ, you call us out of safe boats into deep waters.

You meet us in the storm, you catch us when we sink, and you climb into the boat with us.

**On this Graduation Sunday, steady our hearts and strengthen our faith.**

**Lead our graduates and all your people to trust your voice more than the wind and the waves.**

Receive our worship, O Lord.

**You are our courage in change, our peace in the storm, and our hope for every new beginning.**

#### \* HYMN 529

How Firm a Foundation (v. 1-3, 5)

#### \* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Dr. David Kozisek, Director of Music & Worship*

The Peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

*Share the peace with your neighbors by greeting in the way most comfortable for you.*

#### TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

*Tove Trelstad-Larsen, Director of Student Ministries*

*Children are invited up to the chancel to hear a special message. We invite children to remain in worship with their families today. Childcare is available for 5 and under in the Frolic Room.*

#### INTRODUCTION OF 2026 SPROUT INTERNS

*Clare Freberg, Xela Gunvalson, and Greta Haeg*

#### CELEBRATION & BLESSING OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

*Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard  
Rev. Heather Grantham, Pastor Sharon Fields*

- *Sam is graduating from Alamo Heights High School in San Antonio, TX and plans to attend Texas State University to study urban planning.*
- *Savannah is graduating from Highland Park Senior High School and plans to attend the University of Iowa to study nuclear medicine.*
- *Andrew is graduating from DeLaSalle High School and plans to attend St. Johns University to study Business and will play football for SJU.*

- *Teddy is graduating from Cretin-Derham Hall and plans to attend Dunwoody College of Technology to study Automotive Collision repair.*
- *Penelope is graduating from Central High School and plans to attend Pratt Institute in New York City to study elementary art education.*
- *Jasmine is graduating from Central High School and plans to attend Washington University in St. Louis to study electrical engineering.*
- *Max is graduating from Como Park Senior High School.*
- *Jo is graduating from Groves Academy and plans to attend St. Paul College next fall to study engineering or architecture.*
- *Ryan is graduating from Saint Paul Online High School and plans to pursue a trade such as electric.*
- *Cameron is graduating from Como High School and plans to attend Dunwoody College of Technology to study HVAC.*
- *Miles is graduating from Highland Park High School and plans to attend the University of Minnesota, Morris to play soccer and study math and education.*
- *Tommy is graduating from St. Paul Central High School and plans to attend St. John's University to study finance and play soccer.*

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

Capriccio No. 2

Michael Helman  
Handbell Choir

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 14: 22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### MESSAGE

Out of the Boat, Into What's Next

Rev. Tollgaard

#### SONG

Great Gettin' Up Mornin'

Spiritual, arr. Rollo Dilworth  
Chancel Choir

#### HOLY COMMUNION

##### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to the God we love.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Musical Setting C, p. 20 in UMH*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord;  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Amen, Amen  
Amen, Amen.

## 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.

## RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

*This is God's table, and everyone without exception may have communion. There are two stations at the front, one in the back, and one for the east transept. Please raise your hand if you'd like to be served at your pew. A gluten free station is available in the front, just indicate that you would like that option. If you choose, you may kneel at the rail for prayer.*

*You're invited to place your offering in the offering boxes or give online during communion.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC & SILENT PRAYER

Communion Hymn Medley

617 | Come with Joy (v. 1-4)  
640 | Take Our Bread  
638 | This Is the Feast of Victory (v. 1-4)

*Please join in singing as you are able.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* HYMN 2235-B                      Siyahamba

\* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE                              Variations on Elgar's Pomp and Circumstance                              Christina Harmon

*You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude.  
Please join us after worship downstairs in the community room for coffee, refreshments and cake!*

*Thank you to the Hamline Church Women for providing the blankets for graduating seniors,  
a tradition started in 2013 by Co-Chair Helen Vulu.  
2026 Blanket Makers: Judy Bailey, Marcia Brinkley, Elaine Christiansen, Monell Jakel,  
Kimm Schneider, Anita Turner, and Karen Van Schyndel.*

## THIS WEEK AT HAMLIN CHURCH

SUN	10:00AM	WORSHIP - GRADUATION SUNDAY
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room
	11:15AM	ISAIAH MEETING Room 7
	11:30AM	YOUTH MISSION TRIP MEETING Youth Room
	1:00PM	REV. STEPHEN SHERER MEMORIAL
TUES	5:00PM	DAVANNI'S NIGHT YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS
	-9:00PM	FUNDRAISER Grand & Cleveland
	6:30PM	MONARCA UPSTANDER TRAINING
WED	12:30PM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message Contact Julie Dahlke ( <a href="mailto:jladdvm@usfamily.net">jladdvm@usfamily.net</a> )
	1:00PM	MAHJONG Room 7
	6:00PM	HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL
	7:00PM	GOD ON BROADWAY: RENT REHEARSAL
NEXT SUN	8:55AM	CENTERING PRAYER Chapel
	9:00AM	FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP BOOK GROUP Parlor
	9:15AM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message ( <i>above</i> )
	10:00AM	WORSHIP - GOD ON BROADWAY: RENT
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room
	11:15AM	SUMMER BIBLE STUDY Room 7
	11:30AM	VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING
	4:00PM	DRAG STORY HOUR Community Room

### YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS FUNDRAISING

Sundays at 11:00am in the Community Room  
This summer, our youth are going to Cheyenne River Reservation in South Dakota AND to the Global Young People's Convocation in Dublin Ireland! Talk to youth during Coffee Hour today or give online at [hamlinechurch.org/give](http://hamlinechurch.org/give) (select *Youth Mission Trip Donations* in the dropdown).

### COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS ECUMENICAL CONSORTIUM VOTING RIGHTS: PREPARING FOR NOV 3RD

Monday, June 15 at 7:00pm, Sanctuary  
Join us for a critical conversation on protecting voting rights. Learn what's at stake and how to show up prepared at the polls, including participation, constitutional protections, poll security, and the legislation shaping your vote. Speakers: Melanie Hazelip, Voter Outreach Director for the Minnesota Secretary of State, and Amy Perna, Executive Director of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota. Pastor Mariah will moderate. All are welcome. Bring a friend!

### GOD ON BROADWAY REHEARSAL 🎵

Wednesday, June 10 at 7:00pm  
Get your voice ready to sing along with the band by joining us in rehearsals on Wednesday 10 at 7:00pm. Learn more at [hamlinechurch.org/god-on-broadway](http://hamlinechurch.org/god-on-broadway)

### DRAG STORY HOUR

Sunday, June 14 at 4:00pm, Community Room  
Featuring Drag Performers: Monica West & Azalia Selena Cruz and Hamline University Drag Performers!  
Children, families & all neighbors are welcome to join us for storytime while supporting the LGBTQIA+ community! The program's goal is to provide children with positive, queer role models while engaging in imagination and play.

### ROMANS BIBLE STUDY

Sundays, June, 14 & 28, July 12 & 26, August 16 at 11:30am Room 7  
Looking for some light summer reading? Join Rev. Kevin Schill, retired UMC pastor, in a headlong dive into Paul's Letter to the Romans. Over 5 sessions, we will explore some of Paul's most important and influential writings and their relevance for today. Bring your Bible, thoughts, ideas, and questions, as together we take a journey of faith and get to know each other a bit better. Contact Kevin with questions ([kevinschill55@gmail.com](mailto:kevinschill55@gmail.com)).

## KIDS TODAY

Children are invited to stay in worship this Sunday. The Frolic room is open for ages 5 and under. **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.

### Summer in SPROUT Garden begins June 14! 🌱

Children preK-5th grade can join SPROUT Garden leaders, Hamline University interns, and volunteers in the garden starting June 14 to learn about growing food, caring for God's creation, and caring for one another. Produce grown is delivered to older adults in the Hamline-Midway neighborhood.

## 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](http://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](http://hamlinechurch.org/give)



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