

BOTH/AND

In a world of either/or, we have a both/and faith

ANCHORED AND AGILE
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27



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PRELUDE

Offertory in A major Op 39 No 2

Alexandre Guilmant
Noah Strom, Guest Organist

WELCOME

Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Senior Pastor

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Marcia Brinkley

Come, God's people, rooted in ancient promises.

We come seeking the Spirit's new thing.

Come, holding what is true and opening to what is changing.

We come ready to be led beyond our fear.

Come, for God is still speaking, still moving, still surprising the church.

We come to worship with grounded hearts and open hands.

* HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

(Lyrics from the New Century Hymnal)

1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are Christ's new creation by water and the word;
From heaven Christ came and sought us in love to set us free;
with boundless love Christ bought us for all eternity.

2. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
one charter of salvation, one God, one faith, one birth,
One name together blessing, one holy food we share,
to one hope we are pressing, at one in work and prayer.

3. 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of our war,
we wait the consummation of peace forevermore,
Till with the vision glorious, our longing eyes are blessed,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest..

4 Yet we on earth have union with God, the Three-in-One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! God, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new creation, we confess that we fear disruption and resist change. We cling to familiar patterns, rigid categories, and the illusion of control. When your Spirit unsettles us, we are quick to withdraw or defend ourselves. Forgive us, and give us courage to follow where you lead. Amen.

* WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: the Spirit still moves ahead of us, opening doors we did not expect and widening the welcome of God. In Christ, fear does not have the final word. We are forgiven and invited into a larger faithfulness.
Thanks be to God.

* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.
Share a sign of peace with your neighbors in a way that is 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. After the message, PreK-5th Grade will head out to Sacred Studio with our staff & volunteers. Childcare is available for 5 and under in the Frolic Room.

COMMISSIONING OF THE CONFIRMANDS

Avery, Amaru, Eddie, Ethan, Flint, Julia, Maren, Rose, Samuel, Shiprah, Willa

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.

SONG Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee S.S. Wesley, arr. J. Easson
Brandon Galbraith, tenor & Noah Strom, pianist

SCRIPTURE Selections from Acts 10

In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Cohort, as it was called. He was a devout man who feared God with all his household; he gave alms generously to the people and prayed constantly to God. One afternoon at about three o’clock he had a vision in which he clearly saw an angel of God coming in and saying to him, “Cornelius.” He stared at him in terror and said, “What is it, Lord?” He answered, “Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. Now send men to Joppa for a certain Simon who is called Peter...”

About noon the next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. He became hungry and wanted something to eat, and while it was being prepared he fell into a trance. He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. Then he heard a voice saying, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat.” But Peter said, “By no means, Lord, for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean.” The voice said to him again, a second time, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times, and the thing was suddenly taken up to heaven.

Now while Peter was greatly puzzled about what to make of the vision that he had seen, suddenly the men sent by Cornelius appeared. And he said to them, “You yourselves know that it is improper for a Jew to associate with or to visit an outsider, but God has shown me that I should not call anyone profane or unclean. So when I was sent for, I came without objection...”

Then Peter began to speak to the crowd: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.” While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word.

The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

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

MESSAGE Anchored and Agile Rev. Tollgaard

ANTHEM My Soul's Been Anchored Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan
Chancel Choir
Directed by Dr. David Kozisek

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN A Place at the Table

1. For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,

Refrain: And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!

2. For all who have breath, a place at the table,
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,
a rainbow of race and gender and color,
for all who have breath, the chalice of grace, (refrain)

3. For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free, (refrain)

* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE March in F Major, Op. 46, No. 5 Alexandre Guilmant

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.

Join us for worship next Sunday, October 4 as we celebrate Hamline University’s Homecoming with a special welcome from President Dr. Mayme Hostetter and music from the A Cappella Choir.

THIS WEEK AT HAMLINE CHURCH



KIDS TODAY

Children PreK- 5th Grade will head out to Sacred Studio with staff & volunteers after the children's message.

Pick up your kids after worship:

- Prek-1st Grade in Room 10
- 2nd & 3rd Grade in Room 7
- 4th & 5th Grade in Youth Room after sermon

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?

Kids 5 and under are welcome in the nursery, located in Room 8 in the upstairs 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.

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.

SUN	10:00AM	WORSHIP
	10:15AM	SACRED STUDIO
	11:15AM	GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP Green Room
		STORY COLLECTING FOR MN TRUTH TELLING Chapel
	11:30AM	CONFIRMATION Youth Room
MON	11:30AM	BOTH/AND SMALL GROUP Room 7
TUES	6:30PM	COMMUNITY DIALOGUE EVENT Community Room
WED	12:30PM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message Contact Julie Dahlke (jlddvm@usfamily.net)
	1:00PM	MAHJONG Room 7
		WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTION
	4:30PM	HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
	5:00PM	HU GARDEN CLUB
	5:30PM	DINNER Community Room
	6:00PM	BOTH/AND SMALL GROUP Room 7
		SING SAY DANCE PLAY
		HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL
	7:00PM	CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL
THUR	2:00PM	BOTH/AND SMALL GROUP Turner's Home
	5:30PM	NEON NIGHT Front of Church
	6:00PM	BOTH/AND SMALL GROUP Parlor
FRI		HAMLINE MIDWAY MUSIC AND ARTS FEST
	6:00PM	TAIKO DRUMMING PERFORMANCE Sanctuary
	11-2PM	HOMECOMING FALL FEST HU Campus
SAT	8:30AM	SACRED STUDIO TEACHER TRAINING Room 10
NEXT	8:55AM	CENTERING PRAYER Chapel
SUN	9:00AM	FAITH & FELLOWSHIP Parlor
	9:15AM	CENTERING PRAYER via text message (above)
	10:00AM	HU HOMECOMING WORSHIP
	11:15AM	STORY COLLECTING FOR MN TRUTH TELLING Chapel
	11:15AM	NEWCOMERS MEET & GREET Green Room
	11:30AM	YOUTH GROUP Youth Room
	12:00PM	INVITATION & INCLUSION MEETING
	1:00PM	YOUTH COUNCIL Youth Room
		HAMLINE MIDWAY MUSIC AND ARTS FEST
	2:00PM	PUBLISHING AND EDITING PANEL WITH ST. PAUL ALMANAC Community Room

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE EVENT

Tuesday, September 29 from 6:30-8:00pm

All are invited to come together to share experiences, listen to one another, and reflect on Operation Metro Surge—how it affected members of our community, how neighbors responded, and what healing and action might look like moving forward.

This community conversation will be moderated by Hamline Story Collectors and Advocates for Human Rights as part of the Minnesota Truth Council's documentation process.

RSVP for free: hamlinechurch.org/sign-up-central

GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Today at 11:00am in the Green Room, 4th Sundays

The journey of grief and loss has many twists and turns.

Having people to share thoughts and feelings with can soften its edges. This is an open group and people are invited to join at any time. Contact Sally Johnson with questions (pause.sally@gmail.com).

NEWCOMER MEET & GREET

Sunday, October 4 at 11:15am in the Green Room

(Front of the Sanctuary, left of the pulpit)

Curious to learn more about life at Hamline Church? Come meet pastors, get to know some members, and discover what makes our community special. Refreshments will be served. We'd love to get to know you!

WAYS TO GIVE

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

- **In-Person:** Place offerings in the baskets after worship.
- **Online:** hamlinechurch.org/give (scan the QR code!)
- **By Mail:** Mail checks to the church using the address below.
- **By Text:**
Text "HamlineChurch1514G\$100" to 73256.
Give in any increment you choose by entering the amount after the "\$".
Thank you for your generosity!



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