


**PRELUDE** Wild Mountain Thyme — Irish Traditional, arr. Sandra Eithun
*Handbell Choir & Coralie Jones, violin*

**WELCOME** — *Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Senior Pastor*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** — *Marcia Brinkley*

Siblings in Christ, let us, who are created in God's image, praise God today!
**We praise with our songs, our prayers, and our spiritual gifts!**

We praise with our time, our energy, our resources.
**We praise with our actions, our service, our creativity.**

Lord, receive our praise this day
**We want to be faithful to you with our whole selves.**

* **HYMN 89** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*** 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 a sign of peace with your neighbors in a way that is most comfortable for you.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Cares Chorus & Philippians 4: 13 — *Children's Choir*
*Directed by Emily Wilcox Freeburg and Kathy Evenson*

**TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL** *Rev. Heather Grantham, Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation*

*Children are invited up to the chancel to hear a special message. After the special music, PreK-5th Grade will head out to Sacred Studio with staff & volunteers. Childcare is available for 5 and under in the Frolic Room.*

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE - NOISY OFFERING - 5th GRADE MILESTONE**

Ezzy Engebrecht, Aliza Evans, Benjamin Kozisek, Copper Smith, Martin Shields Cutler

***DOXOLOGY 94** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**
**Praise God, all creatures here below:**
**Alleluia! Alleluia!**
**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**
**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**
**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS** *Rev. Tollgaard and Rev. Grantham*

Greg Faye; Linda & Laird Hanson; Rev. Bromleigh McCleneghan; Dave Olson; Mindy Minerva Pine; Melanie & Savannah Riddle

**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.**

**HYMN 102** Now Thank We All Our God *(v. 1)*

**Now thank we all our God,**
**with heart and hands and voices,**
**who wondrous things has done,**
**in whom this world rejoices;**
**who from our mothers' arms**
**has blessed us on our way**
**with countless gifts of love,**
**and still is ours today.**

**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.**

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 16:1-13

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth,who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

**MESSAGE** A Disciple's Lifestyle *Rev. Tollgaard*

**SONG** Somebody's Child Blessing Offor
*House Band & Chancel Choir*

**BLESSING OF ANNUAL GIVING COMMITMENTS** *Amy Ireland, Church Council Co-Chair*

**Gracious God, with grateful hearts we receive all you have given us. Bless the commitments and offerings we bring today for the year ahead. Transform us by your grace, so that what we have received with thanksgiving we may share with open hands. Through these gifts, make Hamline Church a Sanctuary for the City, where all are welcomed by name, find room to rest, and know they belong. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*** HYMN 378** Amazing Grace *(v. 1, 3, 4, 6)* Traditional, arr. Mac Wilberg
*Mike Huddle, bagpipes*

*** SENDING FORTH**

**POSTLUDE** Nun danket alle Gott Gaël Liardon
*Noah Strom, Guest Organist*

*You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude.*

**TRANSFORMED BY GRACE: 2027 ANNUAL GIVING**
Thank you to everyone who has made a 2027 pledge! If you haven't yet, you can make your pledge today at *hamlinechurch.org/annual-giving* or at the giving table in the Community Room and pick up your free gift!

**THANKSGIVING POTLUCK**
Join us in the Community Room today after worship for our annual Thanksgiving celebration. We'll share a meal and give thanks together. All are welcome at the table!

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## THIS WEEK AT HAMLINE CHURCH

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| SUN | 10:00AM | **WORSHIP** |
| | 10:15AM | **SACRED STUDIO** |
| | | **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSAL** |
| | 11:00AM | **THANKSGIVING POTLUCK & CELEBRATION** Community Room |
| | 11:30AM | **CONFIRMATION** Youth Room |
| TUES | 7:00PM | **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ZOOM** |
| WED | 12:30PM | **CENTERING PRAYER** via text message Contact Julie Dahlke (*jlddvm@usfamily.net*) |
| | 1:00PM | **MAHJONG** Room 7 |
| | 4:30PM | **HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL** |
| | 6:00PM | **HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL** |
| | 7:00PM | **CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL** |
| THUR | | **THANKSGIVING - OFFICE CLOSED** |
| NEXT SUN | 8:55AM | **CENTERING PRAYER** Chapel |
| | 9:00AM | **FAITH & FELLOWSHIP** Parlor |
| | 9:15AM | **CENTERING PRAYER** via text message *(above)* |
| | 10:00AM | **ADVENT 1 WORSHIP** |
| | 10:15AM | **SACRED STUDIO** |
| | | **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSAL** |
| | 11:00AM | **COFFEE HOUR** Community Room |
| | | **GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP** Green Room |
| | | **HAMLINE WOMEN 5TH SUNDAY MEETING** Parlor |

### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Sundays in November

Hamline Church is collecting financial donations and nonperishable food items for Keystone Community Services and other local food shelves. While all contributions are appreciated, **financial gifts are preferred because they allow food shelves to purchase food in bulk at discounted rates.** Food items can be dropped off in the Commons, and donations can be made in the offering boxes or at *hamlinechurch.org/give* by selecting "Thanksgiving Food Drive."

### WALKING TOGETHER

November 28, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Join our Sacred Reckonings team and other United Methodists this Saturday to attend Walking Together: An Indigenous Cultural Learning Experience, at the Hocokata Ti Cultural Center in Shakopee. Contact Susan Mullin to learn more and register *(susanmullin28@gmail.com)*.

### GIFT CARDS & GIFTS FOR EMMA NORTON SERVICES

Support families at Emma Norton this Christmas! There are two ways to give gift cards:

- **Order through our Scrip program** by next Sunday, November 29. Stop in the Community Room after worship to place your order. You can also order cards for personal use. Contact: Virginia Anderson *(davevirginia.anderson16@gmail.com)*.
- **Buy gift cards on your own** and drop them off at the church office by Monday, December 7.

All other gifts for Emma Norton youth are also due at the church office by Monday, December 7.




### ADVENT BEGINS

Next Sunday, November 29

This Advent, our worship series, *A Thrill of Hope*, invites us to watch for God's presence in a weary world. As we journey through hope, peace, joy, and love toward Christmas and Epiphany, we will listen for good news in familiar stories and look for signs of healing, courage, and compassion in our own lives. Together, we will explore how Christ meets us amid uncertainty, how ordinary people participate in God's extraordinary work, and how the promise of God-with-us calls us to bring hope to our neighbors.

## KIDS TODAY

Children PreK- 5th Grade will head out to Sacred Studio with staff & volunteers after the Milestone.

Pick up your children after worship:

Prek-3rd: **Parlor after Christmas Pageant Rehearsal**

4th & 5th Grade: 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?

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.

## 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!

Questions? Please visit ***hamlinechurch.org/give***

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