

THE WEeping CHRIST, THE HEALING LIGHT SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025



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PRELUDE

But the Lord Is Mindful of His Own

Felix Mendelssohn
Eileen Miller, Organist

WELCOME

Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Senior Pastor

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Douglas Gardner

We come carrying heartbreak and sorrow,
for the burdens of this world press heavily upon us.
**In our grief and struggle, we draw near to God,
trusting that even in hardship, God draws near to us.**

When shadows lengthen and hope feels far away,
we remember that God's presence is our steady guide.
Come, Lord Jesus, be our light.

When despair presses in, we turn our hearts toward God,
seeking comfort, courage, and peace.
Come, Lord Jesus, be our hope.

In sorrow, in loss, and in the unknown,
God meets us with mercy and calls us to bear witness to healing.
Come, Lord Jesus—draw us near.

* HYMN 528

Nearer My God to Thee (v. 1 - 3)

*** 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

*Rev. Heather Grantham, Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation
and 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 PreK - 5th Grade can join staff and volunteers outside in SPROUT Garden to hear a story and work in the garden. Childcare is available for 5 and under in the Frolic room.

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.**

SOLO

Thou Wilt Keep Them In Perfect Peace

Eric H. Thiman
Rebecca Mathison, Soprano

Thou wilt keep them in perfect peace
Whose minds are stayed on Thee
Because they trusteth in Thee.

Trust ye in the Lord for ever,
For in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.

SCRIPTURE

John 11:35
Jesus wept.

John 1:5
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

Revelations 22:20
The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

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

MESSAGE

The Weeping Christ, The Healing Light

Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard

SONG

How Long

Mark Miller

FAITH REFLECTION

Piper, YLP Intern

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** HYMN 2212**

My Life Flows On (v. 1 - 3)

*** SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

Abide with Me

Wilbur Held

*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.*

How Long?

We wait for your com-ing, we

wait for new life, we wait_ in our de-spair-ing, we

wait through the strife. But how long? How long?

How much long-er must we wait? How long? How

long? How much long-er must we wait?

Lord_ we are for-sak-en, we yearn to be free,

THIS WEEK AT HAMLIN CHURCH

SUN DINING HALL CONTINUES!
hamlinechurch.org/sign-up-central
10:00AM | WORSHIP
10:15AM | SUMMER IN SPROUT GARDEN
11:00AM | COFFEE HOUR Community Room
11:15AM | STUDENT MINISTRIES TEAM Room 7
11:30AM | UMW 5TH SUNDAY MEETING Parlor

MON OFFICE IS CLOSED - LABOR DAY

WED 12:30PM | CENTERING PRAYER via text message
1:00PM | MAHJONG Room 7
4:00PM | HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
6:00PM | HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL
6:00PM | SACRED STUDIO TRAINING
7:00PM | CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL

NEXT SUN 8:55AM-9:15AM | CENTERING PRAYER Chapel
9:00AM | FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP Parlor
9:15AM | CENTERING PRAYER via text message
10:00AM | WORSHIP
11:00AM | COFFEE HOUR Community Room
11:15AM | GRIEF/LOSS GROUP Green Room
11:30AM | YOUTH GROUP OPEN HOUSE - MEET TOVE!
Youth Room
11:30AM | FOLK MUSIC JAM Room 7

NEW SERIES BACK TO BASICS: ESSENTIALS FOR BEING HUMAN AND CHRISTIAN NOW

Sunday, September 7 at 10:00am
At Hamline Church, faith isn't measured by rigid rules or right beliefs — it's revealed in how we live, love, and serve. This series is your invitation to step into God's mystery, love, and purpose, and to join a community of open hearts, grounded hope, and welcome wide enough for all. Join us this fall and invite a friend!

YOUTH GROUP OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, September 7 at 11:30am in the Youth Room
Get to know our new Director of Student Ministries Tove Trelstad-Larsen while enjoying some donuts!

RALLY SUNDAY

Sunday, September 14 at 10:00am
Join us as we celebrate fall and a new, fun year of spirit, service, and sanctuary. After worship, join us for live music by the Squid City Slingers, bagels fresh out of the Community Bread Oven, an inflatable obstacle course for kids. Families will have the opportunity to register for youth & children's programs, and everyone can find out how to get connected here at Hamline Church! Contact our office with questions (humc@hamlinechurch.org).

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Wednesday, September 10 from 5:30pm to 10:30pm
Hamline University students and neighbors alike are invited to our Back to School Bash! Come pet llamas and connect with our community! Contact Pastor Heather (hgrantham@hamlinechurch.org).

SACRED STUDIO TRAINING & SIGN UP

Wednesday, September 3 at 6:00pm
Sacred Studio volunteers please join us September 3 at 6:00pm for some training. Contact Tove Trelstad-Larsen@hamlinechurch.org. Sign up to volunteer on Sign up Central; hamlinechurch.org/sign-up-central.



WELCOME TO HAMLIN

Welcome to Hamline Church! To those who are worshipping here for the first time, or who have returned after an absence, we greet you with joy. Your presence enriches this time of celebration. May all experience God as we worship.



KIDS TODAY

Children PreK- 5th Grade can join staff and volunteers outside in SPROUT Garden after the message to hear a story and work in the garden. Childcare is available for 5 and under in the Frolic

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.

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.

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!

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