

BACK TO BASICS: THE GREAT INVITATION: HUMAN FAMILY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025



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PRELUDE

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Johann Christian Rinck
Eileen Miller, Organist

WELCOME

Rev. Mariah Furness Tollgaard, Senior Pastor

*** OPENING PRAYER**

Kay Frase

Gatherer of all people, sweep us into your holy community. Let our tables stretch wider, our hearts grow braver, and our welcome sing of your extravagant love. Amen

*** HYMN**

The Church's One Foundation

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.

*** PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Dr. David Kozisek, Director of Music & Worship

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

*Tove Trelstad-Larsen, Director of Student Ministries
Rev. Heather Grantham, Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation*

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 (our spiritual formation time) after the children's moment. 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.

3RD GRADE FAITH MILESTONE

Cora
Ellie
Emrys
Forrest
Jocelyne
Maggie
Marina

Olympia
Philip
Raj
Savannah
Shomeer
Willa

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Wonder How it Felt

Bill and Gloria Gaither
Children's Choir
Emily Wilcox-Freeburg, Director
Kathy Evenson-McDermott, Piano

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.

HYMN 2193

Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:42-47 (CEB)

The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals, and to their prayers. A sense of awe came over everyone. God performed many wonders and signs through the apostles. All the believers were united and shared everything. They would sell pieces of property and possessions and distribute the proceeds to everyone who needed them. Every day, they met together in the temple and ate in their homes. They shared food with gladness and simplicity. They praised God and demonstrated God's goodness to everyone. The Lord added daily to the community those who were being saved.

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

MESSAGE

The Great Invitation: Human Family

Rev. Tollgaard

ANTHEM

Sanctuary for the City

Linda Kachelmeier
Chancel Choir

You sent us to work here for the good,
We are lost and in search of what to do:
Where is there hope?
Plant gardens and share what you grow;
Build houses so all may have a home;
So may we rise to be a

**Sanctuary for the city,
Help us be a sanctuary for the city,
We all need a sanctuary for the city.**

Bake bread and eat with one another;
Go outside and get to know your neighbor:
Be not afraid.
Seek the peace and well-being of the city;
Shine a light showing all the way to safety;
Open your doors, be a

**Sanctuary for the city,
Let us be a sanctuary for the city,
We can be a sanctuary for the city.**

“I alone have plans for you to prosper,
Plans to bring a future full of hope.
You will call upon me, I will answer.
You will find me when you seek with all your
heart”
and be a

**Sanctuary for the city,
We must be a sanctuary for the city,
We will be a sanctuary for the city.**

Text adapted from Jeremiah 29:7-13

OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **HYMN 558** We Are the Church (v. 1 - 4)

* **SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE A Mighty Fortress Friedrich Wilhelm Marburg

*You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude.
Please join us for our Trunk or Treat Fall Festival after worship!*

FAITH MILESTONES AT HAMLINE CHURCH:

At Hamline Church, one of the ways we walk alongside our children and their families is through our Faith Milestone Program. Every year, we take a moment to celebrate a milestone in each child’s life. Just as throughout the Bible God’s people mark the places where they encounter God with a stone, we present each child with a smooth, cross-embossed stone (or some years, a bible!) to mark the occasion.

HEY FAMILIES!

At the end of Sacred Studio, caregivers will pick up kids by **11:15am**. Head to the front lawn, get a candy bag, eat some pizza and visit the trunks for some treats!

Accessible way to the front lawn:

Using the elevator at the south entrance, head out the alleyway door. Go left, and around the building to the Green Way. Keep heading around and up the ramp to the Front Lawn.

HAMLINE CHURCH
TRUNK OR TREAT
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26
Worship 10:00am
Festivities 11:15am-12:30pm
Free Food, Brick Oven Pizza, Live Music, Games & More!
Everyone is welcome! Fun for all ages!

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THIS WEEK AT HAMLINE CHURCH



SACRED STUDIO

Children in prek-3rd grade can join staff and volunteers for Sacred Studio (our spiritual formation time) after the children's moment. Please pick your child up at the end of worship from their classroom: Pre-K & K Room 10; 1st & 2nd Room 7; 3rd Parlor; 4th & 5th sit together in worship then gather in Youth Room after the sermon.

Calling Sacred Studio Teachers

Love to teach kids? Volunteer for our Sunday school & spiritual formation time for children at Hamline! Sign up to volunteer to be a Sacred Studio teacher on Sign Up Central: hamlinechurch.org/sign-up-central.

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, 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



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SUN	10:00AM	WORSHIP
	10:15AM	SACRED STUDIO
	11:00AM	FALL FESTIVAL WITH TRUNK OR TREAT Front Lawn 🍊
	4:00PM	TCAGO STUDENT ORGAN WINNERS' RECITAL
	6:00PM	SUNDAY SMALL GROUP Room 7
	6:30PM	GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP Green 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 Parlor
	4:00PM	HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
	5:30PM	WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER Community Room
	5:45PM	WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIO Room 10
	6:00PM	SMALL GROUP Room 7
		CHILDREN'S MUSIC Parlor
		HOUSE BAND REHEARSAL
	7:00PM	CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL
SAT	4:00PM	AN EVENING WITH AUTHORS Community Room
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	ALL SAINTS WORSHIP
	10:15AM	SACRED STUDIO
	11:00AM	COFFEE HOUR Community Room
		GREETER TRAINING MEET & GREET Green Room
		YOUTH UKULELE BAND Room 7
	11:30AM	YOUTH GROUP Service at Emma Norton
		FOLK MUSIC GROUP Parlor
		NEW MEMBER INQUIRY MEAL AND CLASS
	4:30PM	Parlor
	6:00PM	MUSIC & ARTS: HARMONY FOR HUMANITY
		SUNDAY SMALL GROUP Room 7



STUDENT ORGAN COMPETITION WINNERS' RECITAL

Today, Sunday, October 26 at 4:00pm
Celebrate the 2025 Twin Cities American Guild of Organists Competition winners Isabel Alsum and Henry Dangerfield in a special winners' recital featuring Bach's virtuosic *Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 541* and Demessieux's resplendent *Te Deum*. Performed on Hamline Church's renowned Casavant Frères Organ. *Freewill offering.*

HARMONY FOR HUMANITY

Next Sunday, November 2 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm
A free community concert celebrating the universal values of love, peace, and compassion through choral music hosted by Hamline Church. The concert will once again feature choral performances from a diverse range of faith traditions.

AN EVENING WITH AUTHORS

HOLLY BERKLEY FLETCHER & REV. ANGELA DENKER
Next Saturday, November 1 at 4:00pm, Community Room
Join Broadleaf Books authors Holly Berkley Fletcher (*The Missionary Kids: Unmasking the Myths of White Evangelicalism*) and Rev. Angela Denker (*Disciples of White Jesus*) for a conversation exploring faith, identity, and the legacy of white evangelicalism. Free and open to all. The discussion will be followed by an audience Q&A and book signing.