

***Passing the Peace** *Instrument of Your Peace*
 God, make us instruments of your peace.
 To those who are in despair let us be a beacon of hope.
 God, where there's dark, let us shine your light;
 wherever there is sadness, let us bring to them your joy.
 (songleader sings bridge)
 God, make us instruments of your peace.
 Wherever there is hatred let us sow the seeds of love.
 God, help us heal the hurt with your grace;
 wherever there are doubting hearts let us sow the seeds of love.
 God, make us instruments of your peace.

Ancient Reading *Acts 2:42-47* (adapted)

Contemporary Reading *Anne Lamott*
 (white, female, writer from *Somehow: Thoughts on Love*)
 Community is a body of people crying for one another, working together for a common cause, enjoying and overlooking (or grimly, tolerating) each other's foibles; it's a rough and beautiful quilt sewn of patches that don't seem to go together at all, and then do. Community means we're collaborating. It means that you help my children and my old people and I help yours. It means we are in this together. Most of us are perhaps a tiny bit self-absorbed, and good at keeping out people who don't look, vote, or act like our friends, and that's very nice. But a good community includes all those other people and those of us at the edges. Welcomes are offered: hey, come on into the circle — yeah, you. You with your nose in the air, or a neck tattoo, a walker or a Rolls.

Reflection A Winsome Community
 Rev. Jody Betten

Offertory Song *Imagine the People of God* (Mark Miller)
 Jeff Spangler

The Life of the Church • Tibetan Prayer Bell
 One: Thanks be to God! **All: Alleluia!**
 One: O God, **All: Hear our prayer.**

***Doxology**
 Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
 Praise God all creatures high and low.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! The stone is rolled, the grave undone;
 New life in Christ has now begun,
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Celebration of Holy Communion *Words of Invitation*

Communion Song *Walk With Me*
 Walk with me on your way, step by step as we go.
 Walk with me for today, companions on the road.
 In the water, meal, and cross, if you're sure or if you're lost, Love;
 Walk with me, walk with me.

***Sharing of the Bread and Cup** (gf option, non-alcoholic juice)
 The Bread of Life, the Gift of Heaven. Amen.
 The Cup of Love, the Drink of Compassion. Amen.

***The Disciples' Prayer**
 Our Creator who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. May your reign come. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the reign, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn** NC575 / *O For a World*

***Benediction**

Postlude *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*
 (Tune: *St Brendan's* by Peter Scholtes)

This Week We Celebrate...

APRIL/MAY BIRTHDAYS
 28: Susan Sorg
 30: Jennifer Keogh-Schwarb

ANNIVERSARIES
 30: Linda & Matthew McWebb
 1: Bud Baty & Max Matteson

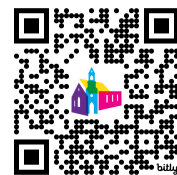
DUCC Prayer Concerns:

Jenny O' Neal (friend of Laurie VanDenBelt & Shirley Lawson); Martha Longpre Dooley (Anne Dooley's Mother; Virginia Stuart; Family of Alan Gibson (Kirsten Stannis's Father); Adelle Van Daalen and the family of Jay Van Daalen; Charlene Burdick (Paul Burdick's mother); Orie Hawkes; Elinor Hite (Virginia Stuart's sister); Dave Lawson; Christine Kerney; Ann & Jim Hopkins; Ruth Fahlstrom (Tom Fahlstrom's daughter); Mikey (friend of Ruth Fahlstrom's); Mary Westenbroek; Eric Cooley (Jo Cooley's brother); Ian Blumer (C. Blumer's nephew); Lakeview UCC

Weekly Financial Stewardship Report for April 19, 2026

Attending: 75	Views: 83
Weekly Offerings	\$6,503
Weekly Budget	\$4,615
Weekly to Budget	+ \$1,888

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I Come with Joy

Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1982, 1994

Unison

1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4 And thus we meet, and bet - ter know the Pres - ence, ev - er
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, in friend - ship we will

free, The life of Je - sus to re - call, in
 fed, The new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, And join our hearts and sing with joy that
 stay, And go with joy to love the world and

love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 Christ is ris - en here, that Christ is ris - en here.
 live the way we pray, and live the way we pray.

One of Brian Wren's most widely published texts, this hymn was originally written to "sum up a series of sermons on the meaning of communion. It tries to use simple words to suggest important theological themes."

Tune: DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6.
 Southern Harmony, 1835
 Arr. Austin Lovelace, 1977

O for a World

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Miriam Therese Winter, 1987

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Cor. 1:26-31; 1 Pet. 3:8-12



1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,



Where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

