ORDER of WORSHIP for Sunday, January 5, 2025, 9:30 am

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Epiphany Sunday

Prelude "A Christmas Pastorale" Adam Heron

Chimes

Land Acknowledgement (responsive-page 3) led by Eileen McLaughlin

Welcome Travis Norvell

Call to Worship (responsive reading) led by Eileen McLaughlin

One: We gather:
Many: a community of faith in God's subversive world.
One: We gather to celebrate
Many: that no darkness can extinguish light,
One: to remember that love will always be more powerful than death,
Many: and to trust that peace will always be stronger than violence.
One: We gather,
Many: people of faith in the light of God's world.
Welcome to worship. Please rise and sing, What Child is This

***Opening Hymn** #148 "What Child Is This" Greensleeves

First Lesson Why Not a Star by Margaret Gooding
read by Eileen McLaughlin

Time with Children Travis Norvell

Special Music "I Wander as I Wander" John Jacob Niles
Elizebeth Brazeal, soprano

Call to Prayer Carolyn Kolovitz

Prayers Intentions Carolyn Kolovitz & Eileen McLaughlin

Pastoral Prayer Travis Norvell

Special Music "Some Children See Him" Alfred Burt
Elizebeth Brazeal, soprano

Second Lesson Psalm 112 Travis Norvell

Communion Homily Giving, Giving, Giving Travis Norvell

Call to Offering/Invitation to Communion Travis Norvell

On the first Sunday of each month, all cash placed in the offering plates goes to **Starfish Ministries**, a joint ministry of Judson Church and Bethlehem Lutheran. All funds go to people in south Minneapolis who need help paying rent, utilities, and food.

(QR Code to give)

Communion Hymn #349 "I Come with Joy" Dove of Peace

remain seated

***Doxology** Old Hundredth

Praise life that makes us change and grow
Praise love that makes compassion flow
Praise peace that ends all strife and fear
Praise hands that work for justice here. Amen.

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Communion

Announcements & Blessing

*Stand if you are able

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We thank Elizebeth Brazeal for her gift of music today.

Bring Your Hopes, Bring Your Doubts, Feed Your Soul.

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Judson Church Land Acknowledgement

One: Place is more than just a piece of land. It is a piece of who we are. For too long, we have associated this place where Judson Church sits with our European/American roots, forgetting the people who called this place home for centuries before us.

All: **Mini-SO ta Mah-CO-cheh, Land where the Waters Reflect the Sky and specifically this part of the Twin Cities is the ancestral home of the Da CO tah wah-PEH-koo-tay people. It is home to their creation stories; it is where they hunted, fished, harvested, and cared for the land, raised families, celebrated life**
in community, and laid their loved ones to rest.

One: We acknowledge that "we the people," our ancestors and governments, forcibly removed the wah-PEH-koo-tay from their ancestral lands through relocation, warfare, execution, imprisonment in concentration camps, starvation, disease, and forced assimilation. Treaties were made and subsequently broken by us. We remember and lament the history of this land.

All: Today we acknowledge and appreciate our Da CO tah, Anisha NAH-bay, and other Indigenous peoples as neighbors and fellow citizens. We commit to do better by our neighbors, to stand with them and to learn from them as we seek to create a community that sees the Creator's face in everything.

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Calendar for week

Sunday-January 5
9:30 am **Worship Service**-Sanctuary
Communion
Music: Elizebeth Brazeal
2nd Hour Racial Justice

Monday-January 6
5 pm **Racial Justice –** Zoom
7:15 pm **Online Prayer Series**-Zoom

Tuesday-January 7
10 am **Staff Meeting –** Library
7:30 pm **Council Meeting –** Zoom

Wednesday-January 8
7 pm **Choir Rehearsal**-Sanctuary

Thursday-January 9
7 pm **Mahjongg –** Ann Judson Room

Friday-January 10

Saturday-January 11
3 pm **Minneapolis Trombone Choir Rehearsal**-Sanctuary

Sunday-January 12
9:30 am **Worship Service**-Sanctuary
Music: Judson Choir

New Year Retreat - All Creation Waits
1:30 - 3:30 pm at Lake Hiawatha Community Center

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, January 12, 2025
9:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
1:30 – 3:30 pm **New Year Retreat** - **All Creation Waits** – Lake Hiawatha Community Center

Saturday, January 25, 2025
10 – 12 noon **Craft Workshop – Victorian Puzzle purses** – Ann Judson room

Sunday, February 9, 2025
9:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
10-2 pm **Empty Bowls** – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 16, 2025
9:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
3 pm **50th year - Minneapolis Trombone Choir Concert** - Sanctuary



This is a fun event. Hope to see you there.

A beloved Kingfield event returns for its 14th year! Help the event run smoothly and meet other community members by volunteering.

The event is on SOUPer Bowl Sunday, February 9th, from 10 AM - 2 PM, and supports fantastic nonprofits tackling hunger and increasing affordable housing access.

Sign up to volunteer **here**.

Special Announcements

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THIRD Second-Hour Session on Reparations, January 5, 11:00 am-noon, Ann Judson room.
We'll discuss the two areas for reparations: land theft from indigenous peoples and labor theft from enslaved peoples. We'll also share our personal stories and histories that bring us to this topic. You needn't have attended previous sessions to come. **The fourth session will be April 27**.

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ONLINE PRAYER SERIES - Join our Welcoming Prayer session at 7:15 pm on Mon Jan 6. *The Welcoming Prayer is a method of accepting our physical and emotional reactions to situations and releasing our attachment to outcome.* Expect a brief intro, poem, time for prayer, and brief sharing. Total session no more than 30 minutes. Email Carolyn for the Zoom link at **ckolovitz@judsonchurch.org** or if you have questions.

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CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS - We'd love your help spreading the word to find a new Child Care staff person.

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JUDSON CHURCH IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME LEAD CHILD CARE PROVIDER. We're looking for someone to lead our youth in a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment on Sunday mornings. They'll lead educational, mindfulness, character-building, and nature-based programming. The candidate needs to have experience caring for infants and children of all ages, with an emphasis on school-age children and must be at least 21 years of age. Prior classroom experience is strongly preferred. A full description of the role can be found in the announcements section of our website or via this link: **https://www.judsonchurch.org/childcare-provider/**



We have some pretty amazing youth at Judson, so let's support them by sharing this opportunity among your networks!
If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jeff O'Halloran at **personnel@judsonchurch.org.**

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SOUP LUNCH – You are invited to a Soup Lunch, **January 19, 2025**. It will be in the Ann Judson Room. All invited, no charge, just community get together. Volunteers needed on Saturday, January 18, 2025, for soup prep. Table & chairs set-up. Please contact Diana Larsen. Text or call 612-644-4396. Thanks to all. Diana Larsen.

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NEW YEAR RETREAT - All Creation Waits / Sun Jan 12 from 1:30 - 3:30 pm at Lake Hiawatha Community Center
Gayle Boss' book *"All Creation Waits: The Advent Mystery of New Beginnings"* contains reflections that capture in astonishing detail how animals prepare and make their way through winter. These animals illustrate the promise of a New Year during the thick of winter and the darkness of this political time. We will gather for quiet reflection, journaling/art prompts, and sharing in a beautiful room overlooking Lake Hiawatha and the setting sun. Email Carolyn at ckolovitz@JudsonChurch.org to register.

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BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE JANUARY SERMON SERIES. *"8 Habits of Love: Overcome Fear and Transform Your Life"* are available for purchase ($5) in the church library. This book will guide our next sermon series, starting in Jan. 2025. The Eight Habits (in the order of the book and sermons series: Generosity, Stillness, Truth, Candor, Play, Forgiveness, Compassion, & Community). The habits will be paired with a Psalm for each Sunday. But why stop at one Psalm? What if together, we read the entire book of Psalms (all 150 of them) during the 50 days of the sermon series (Jan 5 - Feb 23). If only you had a guide to do this! On Sunday, copies of the Psalms will be on the back of the sanctuary on Sunday.

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GREAT GATHERINGS - Happy New Year! We hope your holidays were filled with joy and memorable gatherings. In the spirit of gatherings, we invite you to participate in the February 2025 Great Gatherings Auction as a host and/or participant. See the enclosed flyer for more information.

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NEW MEMBERS CLASS – A new members class will start in January. The dates are to be announced. Please let the pastor know if you are interested.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY. There is a large copy of the current directory in the back of the church. Please check it out and make sure we have your correct information (address, phone, email). If you are not listed, please add your information. After a couple of weeks, updated directories will be available.

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TRUST HAPPENINGS



****NEW** Workshop Series – "Shared Spaces – Shared Stories" Starting January 15**

January is a great time to learn something new! Beginning January 15th, TRUST Inc. invites you to a special six-week workshop series focused on mastering the art of storytelling. This series will include teaching, training, practical application, and an opportunity for you to perform your story at the "Senior Story Slam" during our Sunday Supper on **February 23rd.**

Details can be found in the attached image. This community initiative is designed for older adults, and transportation is available for TRUST Inc. clients.

Registration is required by **January 12th** to ensure the availability of space and materials.

To register, please call 612-827-6159 or email trust@trustinc.org.

Join us for Mardi Gras fun and music with the TRUST Ramblers Dixieland Band. Jim ten Bensel will lead the band. The fun starts at 4 pm with a New Orleans-Style dinner to follow. Like they say in New Orleans, "Laissez les bons temps rouler," or as we say in Minneapolis, LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL!





The TRUST – Lunch & Learn It Thursdays will not happen in January – it resumes on Thursday, February 6.

CRAFT WORKSHOP: Victorian Puzzle Purses for Valentines' Day



Saturday, January 25
10:00 am to noon

Ann Judson room, Judson Church, 4101 Harriet

Cost: $5.00
All supplies furnished.

Register:
www. JudsonChurch.org
info@judsonchurch.org

The Victorians used these origami riddles as secret friendship tokens and love notes (one even appeared in the film Emma), while in Japan, they have been used as little storage containers. Learn the fascinating history, make your own puzzle purse, have a treat and go home with instructions so you can make more.

Hope to see you there: Pam, Cindy, Leslie, Susan

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MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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