JUDSON
MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Bring your Hopes. Bring your Doubts. Feed your Soul.

January 10, 2025, 9:30 am

Welcome to Judson Memorial Baptist Church. This Sunday, January 10, We welcome back the Judson choir, look forward to time with children, and Travis' second sermon in the series 8 Habits of Love: Stillness. On the first Sunday of each month, all cash in the offering plates goes to **Starfish Ministries**, and this past Sunday we collected $525. Thank you for your generosity. And yes – The Phones are still out. Now saying possibly fixed next week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP LUNCH – You are invited to a Soup Lunch on **January 19, 2025**. It will be in the Ann Judson Room. All are invited, no charge, just community get together. Volunteers are needed **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.

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.

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.

PRAYER AND YOU—ZOOM JANUARY 14 AND 28 - "Prayer and You" is the topic for our two Wild & Precious Zoom Conversations (aka "Spiritual Voyagers"). Join us for one or both, 7:00-8:30 pm, on Tuesday, January 14 and 28. Keith Ford will send out the Zoom link: if you are not already on our email list, let him know, and he will add you to it.

You are invited to join us whether you never pray or pray all the time--whether your prayer life is traditional, or based on nature, or meditation, or relationships. What perspective of prayer did you grow up with, and what is your perspective now? How does prayer "work" (or "not work") for you?

Here are two quotes to consider...

* *Pray without ceasing* (from the Bible-- I Thessalonians 5:17)
* *I don't know exactly what a prayer is. I do know how to pay attention...*

(from the beginning of Mary Oliver's "wild and precious life" poem)

STRATEGIC REVENUE PLAN PLANNED GIVING CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT - A Planned Giving Informational Seminar will be held at 11 am on Sunday, January 26th, in the Ann Judson Room. During this seminar, Scott Simpson and Diane Kolodziej, along with Kimberly Gray, an Estate Attorney, will present the many ways anyone can donate to Judson Church through their wills. Planned giving Is not connected with the annual pledge drive.
The Strategic Revenue Task Force is working diligently to create more revenue ideas for Judson Church and hopes that Planned Giving will be an idea you consider and act upon.
Please sign up on the sheet located in the rear of the sanctuary. We hope to see you after our Sunday service on **January 26th at 11 am** in the Ann Judson room.

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



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.

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

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.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12 THROUGH JANUARY 19, 2025

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

Monday-January 13
11 am **Congregational Care –** Zoom
7 pm **Finance**-Library

Tuesday-January 14
7 pm **You and Prayer –** Zoom

Wednesday-January 15
7 pm **Choir Rehearsal**-Sanctuary

Thursday-January 16
7 pm **Mahjongg –** Ann Judson Room

Friday-January 17

Saturday-January 18
10 am **Property –** Library
10 am **Soup Prep & Set up**
3 pm **Minneapolis Trombone Choir Rehearsal**-Sanctuary

Sunday-January 19
9:30 am **Worship Service**-Sanctuary
Music: Judson Choir
11 am Soup Lunch – Ann Judson Room

