



Happening This Week: March 19-22

Monday: Monday night small group, 6:30pm, Sanctuary

Tuesday: Tuesday Testaments, 10:00am, Sanctuary
Church Council meet with DS, 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall
Jubilee! rehearsal, 6:45pm, Sanctuary

Wednesday Lenten Service at Aldersgate:

5:30pm, Meal, Fellowship Hall

6:00pm, Choir, Sanctuary

6:30pm, Service, Sanctuary

Thursday: Band rehearsal, 6:30pm, Sanctuary
Women's Book Club, 7:00pm

March Community Outreach Focus: MN FoodShare. Our giving during MN FoodShare month is to support STEP (St. Louis Park Emergency Program) in their efforts to serve the residents of St. Louis Park. We will be joining forces with Spirit of Christ to collect cereal. Thank you!

Aldersgate Church is a Creator-centered, Jesus-shaped, Spirit-led community seeking to create atmospheres of spiritual connection, healing, and growth. We are an inclusive community, believing that God loves, honors, and celebrates all people regardless of age, race, nation, gender identity, background, sexual orientation, abilities, or socio-economic position. We believe that God calls us to embody God's radical love by cultivating a space free from harassment, judgment, hate, or discrimination. We hope you find spiritual connection, healing, and growth in worship today. Thanks for joining us!



Sunday, March 19, 2023 Order of Worship

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn: "What Gift Can We Bring" (UMH #87)

Children's Message Cleo Bonham

Prayer Time: Requests (raise your hand if you have a prayer request)

Prayer Song: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" (TFWS #2171)

Morning Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Kids dismissed to Kids' Time

Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30 Becky Hart

Message Pastor Paul Baudhuin

Closing Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be" (UMH #399)

Blessing

Postlude

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Call to Worship

ONE: Let us pray: Precious Lord, we come today, humble, quiet, recognizing that we need you.

ALL: We need your love, we need your strength, we need your wisdom.

ONE: Though we do not always see it, we trust that you have provided us with all that we need.

ALL: Help us to rise up in the full confidence of your grace which empowers us.

ONE: As we worship you this morning, Lord, crack open our frozen hearts and warm us with your love.

ALL: To you we sing, to you we pray, to you we bow our hearts today. Amen.

Opening Hymn: "What Gift Can We Bring"

Verse 1: What gift can we bring, what present, what token? What words can convey it, the joy of this day? When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing, what song can we offer in honor and praise?

Verse 2: Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision, who planted and watered so dreams could come true. Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship, for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.

Verse 3: Give thanks for tomorrow, full of surprises, for knowing whatever tomorrow may bring, the Word is our promise always, forever; we rest in God's keeping and live in God's love.

Verse 4: This gift we now bring, this present, this token, these words can convey it, the joy of this day! When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing, this song we now offer in honor and praise!

Kids' Time Song: "This, This is Where Children Belong"

This, this is where children belong welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song. This is where children belong.

Prayer Song: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Verse 1: Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Verse 2: Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Verse 3: Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Verse 4: Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Closing Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Verse 1: Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Verse 2: Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee. Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Verse 3: Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.