

Declaration of Purpose

We come together today to give thanks for our present sanctuary where we have experienced God's grace, the presence of the resurrected Christ, and the comfort and power of the Holy Spirit. Through the ministry of Word and Sacrament and the Spirit at work in this gathered community, we have found refuge and comfort, challenge and strength. It is fitting therefore, that as we prepare to remodel and transform this sanctuary, we lift up our hearts in thanksgiving for our common store of memories and for the many people who have served to support and enhance our worship experience.

Litany of Thanksgiving

- Leader** Blessed be the name of God, whose Word has long been proclaimed in this hallowed place.
- People** **We give you thanks, O God.**
- Leader** As generations have prayed their prayers and sung your praises here, your Spirit has blessed countless worshippers.
- People** **We give you thanks, O God.**
- Leader** We have celebrated the Lord's Supper at this communion table and been nurtured by it throughout our faith journey.
- People** **We give you thanks, O God.**
- Leader** We have rejoiced here as believers have confessed faith in Christ and joined our congregation.
- People** **We give you thanks, O God.**
- Leader** Here we have baptized our children and mourned our dead.
- People** **We give you thanks, O God.**
- Leader** As new families have been created through marriage, we, our parents and our children have made vows at this altar to love, honor and cherish always.
- People** **We give you thanks, O God.**
- All** **As we leave this present sanctuary and await with hope its glorious transformation, we give you thanks, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Recognition of the Saints

Communion Stewards and Helpers

*Ann Estep, Bonnie Klemp, Mickey Donahue, Gladys Griffin

Flowers

*Phyllis Mohler, Gladys Griffin, Kathie Slocum, Jeris Boyce

Sound Technicians

*Jon Elsea, *Terry Slocum

Ushers

Carl Hartkopf, Larry Leon, Shirley Mason, Bob & Leppy Spears, Clem Vath

The Wonderful Members and Leaders of the Adult Choir, Children's Choirs and Heritage Bell Choir

Many Thanks to all who continue to lead and serve in these important ministries!

Closing Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

O God, as in your goodness you have blessed the many ministries carried on by this congregation in this sanctuary, so, now and in the days to come, bless those who have served us faithfully and also those who will work hard to remodel and transform this space. We thank you for the good work of the Building Committee and all they have done to bring our dreams to reality and lead us into the future. Bless us all as we continue to worship you in another part of our building. As disciples of the risen Christ, may we be channels at all times and in all places, of your steadfast love; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray together saying, "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name...."

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 19, 2015

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
 8:15 AM—First Light Worship Service
 (Nursery care available for ages 0-5 years)
 9:00 AM—Coffee Time
 9:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
 9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
 (Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
 9:30 AM—Sunday School for all ages
 (Children begin in service and leave after Children's Message)

10:30 AM—Coffee Time

10:45 AM—New Member Class

4:00 PM—ALPHA Course

6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE

Monday, April 20, 2015

7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study Group

7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

9:30 AM—Priscilla Circle

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth

12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA

1:00 PM—Disciple 5 Bible Study

7:00 PM—Staff Parish Relations Committee

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

9:30 AM—Staff Meeting

9:45 AM—Lectio Divina

1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study

5:30 PM—All Stars

7:00 PM—JrHI TIDE

Thursday, April 23, 2015

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA

6:30 PM—Praise Band

7:30 PM—Disciple 3

7:30 PM—Adult Choir

7:30 PM—Troop #72 Committee

Friday, April 24, 2015

6:00 PM—Young Life Capernaum

7:00 PM—20's Group @ Ben's

Saturday, April 25, 2015

8:00 AM—Men's Study

8:45 AM—Family serving at FMSC

9:00 AM—United Methodist Men

4:30 PM—PADS Set-Up & PADS

Sunday, April 26, 2015

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class

9:00 AM—Coffee Time

9:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class

9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service

(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)

9:30 AM—Sunday School for all ages meets

in Education Wing

10:30 AM—Coffee Time

10:45 AM—New Member Class

11:00 AM—Contemporary Service

(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)

11:00 AM—Kids Own Worship (meet in room 201)

4:00 PM—Confirmation

6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE

Monday, April 27, 2015

6:00 PM—Daisy Girl Scouts

7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study Group

7:00 PM—UMW Leadership Team

7:00 PM—Visitation Team

7:00 PM—New Membership Committee

7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth

12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA

1:00 PM—Disciple 5 Bible Study

7:00 PM—Faithful Threads

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

9:30 AM—Staff Meeting

9:45 AM—Lectio Divina

1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study

7:00 PM—JrHI TIDE

Thursday, April 30, 2015

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA

6:30 PM—Praise Band

7:30 PM—Disciple 3

7:30 PM—Adult Choir

Friday, May 1, 2015

6:30 PM—Young Couples (off site)

7:00 PM—20's Group @ Ben's

Saturday, May 2, 2015

8:00 AM—Men's Study

8:30 AM—Ad Board



**The United Methodist Church
of Libertyville**

April 19, 2015

8:15 & 9:30 AM

Third Sunday of Easter

Today's Scripture Passage

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

— Luke 24:13-35

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A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

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First Light Service ~ 8:15 am



Gathering Music "Jubilation on 'Lauda Anima'" A. Jordan

Welcome & Greeting (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)
We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

* Opening Hymn "Thine Be the Glory" No. 308

* Call to Worship
Leader Christ our Savior is risen from the dead! Alleluia!
People **Break forth into joy! Sing together! God comforts those whose hearts are broken in sorrow.**
Leader The disciples met the risen Christ as they went about their daily life — walking along the road, sharing a meal, talking together.
People **We have gathered because we too want to know the presence of Jesus among us.**
Leader We gather around the table to know him in the breaking of bread.
People **We return to the world, seeking to know and to make known his presence and power there.**
All **Glory to God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit, in whom we live and move and have our being. Amen.**

*Musical Response "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" No. 420, vs. 1
Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Recognition of Adult Mission Trip

Quiet Reflection and Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading Luke 24:28-35

Sermon "Christ Among Us" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory
* Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94
* Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion UM Hymnal, page 13
Gluten free wafers are available in the center tray.

* Closing Hymn "He Lives" No. 310

* Benediction

Postlude



* Those who are able are invited to stand.

Traditional Service ~ 9:30 am



Greetings & Announcements (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)
We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

Prelude "Jubilation on 'Lauda Anima'" A. Jordan

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* Opening Hymn "Thine Be the Glory" No. 308

Unison Prayer
O Risen Christ, we are grateful that you walk among us on earth, bringing life and hope. Help us to recognize you; help us to be aware of your presence in our time of worship. Enable us to stand alongside you in your ministry of healing on the crowded roads of our world, through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-27 Cecily Hetzel

Children's Message Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

Anthem "To God All Praise and Glory" C. Jennings
Adult Choir

Celebration of Our Sanctuary and Saints See back page

* Hymn "O Spirit of the Living God" No. 539

Scripture Reading Luke 24:28-35

Sermon "Christ Among Us" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

** Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the sanctuary. The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly prayer. Thank you.

Offering / Offertory "Rhosymedre" A. Jordan
* Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94
* Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion UM Hymnal page 13

Gluten free wafers are available.
All who are seeking the grace of God are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion. The Communion Rail is also open for prayer.

* Closing Hymn "He Lives" No. 310

* Benediction

Postlude "Now Winter Fades From Sight" J. S. Bach



A Warm Welcome to All!

We are delighted to have all of you sharing with us in worship! If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table in the foyer to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (Joyce.Bedell@umcl.org), for more information about our church family. All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, refreshments, and community sharing from 9:00-11:00 AM. We look forward to seeing you there!



The flowers in the sanctuary this morning
are given in celebration of
the 56th Anniversary of Larry and Arla Henthorn
and the 53rd Anniversary of Jules and Becky Traut.

Many thanks to the following people for helping
with our services this morning!

Sound Tech: Darin Chartier Acolytes (9:30): Ushers

April Ushers (8:15): John Aten, Tim Henthorn
(9:30): John Aten, Jay Hazlett, David Natzke, Bill Vanni

Coffee Fellowship (9:00—11:00 AM): Please join us
for coffee and refreshments served in Fellowship Hall
and hosted by the Women's Bible Study Group.

UMCL News & Notes ~ April 19, 2015

CHANGING WORSHIP SCHEDULE DURING CONSTRUCTION!

- *This morning, at 8:15 and 9:30 AM, we will give thanks for the sanctuary as our worship center for Traditional Worship and celebrate some of the people who have helped us to enjoy our services in this space.*
- **Building Access** during construction—Once construction is underway, the foyer entrance will be closed. The Fellowship Hall and Brainerd entrances will remain open, but it will not be possible to walk through the building from Fellowship Hall to the Education Wing. Please plan to enjoy the springtime weather as you travel around the exterior of the building! The Brainerd entrance will be made handicapped accessible.
- **Sunday School**—During construction, kids will need to be dropped off in room 206 (the big room) in the Education Wing prior to the start of service. They will remain in Sunday School for the entire worship hour. Parents, please come to your children's individual classrooms to pick them up after the service. The same applies for **Kids Own Worship** but please drop off and pick up kids in room 201 before and after service.

YOUTH — Hey all! The youth just finished up their 30+ hour fast! Find one and congratulate them on their accomplishment and ask them about their experience. There's still time to make a donation to help feed hungry kids worldwide; check out our fundraising webpage—youth.worldvision.org, then search 'UMC Libertyville.' Up next.. Confirmation on May 3! After that, we're kicking off our summer with our Appalachian Service project on June 6-13. Much ministry!

ADULT MISSION TRIP: Members of our congregation and community leave this morning for their trip to Brookport, Illinois, to help in rebuilding the homes and lives of people devastated by the November, 2013 tornado. Please keep these participants in your prayers this week: Tom Behles, Jim Bell, Dan Bollinger, Lori Conway, Don Craig, Andy Danckers, Bruce Davis, Bob Honeywell, Bonnie Lill, Steve Neil, Dorothy Sterling, Karl Taylor, Jeff Welch, Bill & Kelley Wilson.

FEEDING CHILDREN! Come one, come all to this fun filled "CHURCH FAMILY" EVENT! Anyone, age 5 or older, is invited to the "Feed My Starving Children" (FMSC) packing location in Libertyville on **Saturday, April 25, 8:45—11:00 AM**. We will pack meals to help children in need, while having fun and bonding with one another. Sign up in the church office or online at www.umcl.org/fmsc. If you are not able to pack meals but want to help, visit the big room upstairs where our Sunday School kids are collecting donations for FMSC.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE meets on **Tuesday, April 21, at 9:30 AM** in Fellowship Hall. We will watch and discuss a video on the beliefs of Joan Chittister. Questions? Call Shirley Mason at 847-362-0523. We look forward to seeing you!

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S STUDY begins a six-week study on Heaven on **Saturday, April 25, at 8:00 AM**. This is a Chip Ingram study, including weekly video and discussion. Study guide printouts will be provided. If you would like your own interactive study, you can do so for \$9.95 at this site: <http://lotestudies.mogoworkbook.com/lessons/heaven-it-s-not-what-you-think> (includes all video sessions and study notes). More information on the study can be found at <http://livingontheedge.org/group-studies/browse-all-studies/heaven>

UNITED METHODIST MEN will meet at **9:00 AM on Saturday, April 25** (immediately following the Saturday Men's Study). Contact: Jules Traut (jtraut@juno.com or 847-367-0295).

VISITATION TEAM welcomes new members! Our next meeting is **Monday, April 27, at 7:00 PM** in the New Room (Education wing, second floor). Qualification: a caring heart! We work in many ways to reach out to those who are shut in, lonely and would welcome a phone call or visit. Please call the church office if you are interested in serving this way.

AD BOARD MEETING—Our next Administrative Board meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, May 2, at 8:30 AM** in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend!

PARDON OUR RUMMAGE SALE DUST! Our semi-annual rummage sale will be held the week of **May 3**. Please plan to contribute items Monday - Wednesday and volunteer to help any time that week. Pray for good weather for the outside part of the sale. Rummage Sale – a Church Tradition. Questions: Barb Plohr (847) 367-5556) or Beth March (847) 367-5175)

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE—No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. (1 John 4:12.) If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, please contact Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Mary Spooner (847-548-3703) or the Pastors.

News & Notes Continued

WORSHIP SERVICE GREETERS play a vital role in making members, friends, and visitors feel welcome at church each Sunday morning and help guests find their way around UMCL during this season of construction. Please sign up on our website www.umcl.org/worship or contact Joyce Bedell (joyce.bedell@umcl.org) if you are willing to be a friendly, welcoming presence on Sunday mornings!

PADS SUMMER LUNCHESES—Saturday, April 25, is the last night our PADS site will operate. Starting May 1, the homeless are truly homeless. As always, we commit to making 40 lunches the second Tuesday of each month. To sign up (either groups or individual families, please contact Cathy O'Brien (cobrien1021@hotmail.com or 847-367-8062).

THANK AND SUPPORT OUR PADS DONORS—During this PADS season we have been blessed with donated food from these area business: Pizza Hut (Mundelein), Picnic Basket, Auntie Anne's Pretzels (Hawthorne), and Lovin' Oven. Each of these restaurants provides food weekly and their support is most appreciated. Please thank these businesses!

PRIME TIME LUNCH is planned for **Monday, May 11, at Noon** (second Monday of May, due to the Rummage Sale). Thank you for signing up BEFORE 10:00 AM on Friday May 8, as a courtesy for the co-hostesses preparing the food. (RSVP to the church office at 847-362-2212 or info@umcl.org). Lunch is \$5.00; program to be determined. Hope to see you there!

RUTH CIRCLE invites you to join us at the home of Cathy Dismar (1016 Michael Lane, Libertyville, 847-367-5502) on **Wednesday, May 20, at 7:00 PM**. We will be viewing the 2013 documentary "Finding Vivian Maier." Vivian moved to Chicago in the 1950's, employed as a nanny. Her passion for photography and her thirst to be "cultured" led her around the globe, and back to Chicago. Her photos show her affinity for the poor as she too struggled to get by, ending up homeless and cared for by the grown children she had once cared for.

JrHI SUMMER CAMP! Camp Adventure's Impact Camps provide a classic camp experience, featuring adventures like swimming, blobbing, paintball, and High Ropes. Most importantly, there is a deep focus on Christ through an amazing spiritual program including small groups, modern worship and opportunities to ask the tough questions. Come and join us **July 26-31!** Questions? Contact Ben Hallett or Sarah Mitchell.

VBS! Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School this summer, **July 13-17, 9:00 AM to Noon**. This year VBS will feature some snowy mountain animals! Stay tuned for more details.

WOMEN OF FAITH—If you would like to attend the Women of Faith Farewell Conference on **September 25-26, in Hoffman Estates at the Sears Centre** with a group of women from UMCL, please contact Blair Brockman at texasbrockman@sbcglobal.net. Tickets are available through the church for \$94.45. Meals are additional. We would love for you to attend! It is a wonderful time with invigorating praise music, inspiring motivational speaking, impactful Bible teaching and powerful praying. Additional information: <http://www.womenoffaith.com/events2/>.

APRIL SECOND MILE GIVING will help **1) Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center**. Located in Gurnee, this center provides quality, comprehensive, client-centered services to victims of sexual assault and abuse. Services are offered free of charge to anyone who may need them. Their 24-hour support line is 847-872-7799. (www.zcenter.org, or 847-244-1187. **2) PADS Lake County**. In addition to our church's PADS ministry, UMCL also supports PADS Lake County, which has provided assistance to individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Lake County for over 35 years. This organization is the only emergency shelter for the homeless in Lake County, and provides this shelter year around with the goal of providing a path toward stable housing and self-sufficiency. (www.padslakecounty.org or 847-689-4357)

ALTAR FLOWERS! Call the church or go to our website (www.umcl.org/altar_flowers) to sign up to provide altar flowers in honor of, or in memory of, special people and events (yes, even when we are worshipping in Fellowship Hall!). Cut flowers arranged in a vase from your own garden are welcome as well. Contact: Joannie Foley at foleyszoo@aol.com.

FABRIC NEEDED TO CREATE SCHOOL BAGS! Sturdy cotton, denim, upholstery, or drapery fabric (new or used), is needed for school bags. Donated fabric may be dropped off in the office. Questions? Please contact June McCoy 847-849-0530.

ELECTRONIC GIVING! Remember that Electronic Giving is now an option for supporting the ministries of UMCL. If you're interesting in utilizing electronic giving, please complete an authorization/registration form (available from Finance or Main office) and return it to the Finance office. More information: Ruth Ross at 847-362-2112 or ruth.ross@umcl.org.