Northern Voice Newsletter Fall (August, September, October, 2022) Are You Willing to Go There?

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"
He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'
This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
Matthew 22:36-39

Dear Church Family,

A pastor I have a lot of respect for once told me, "Look for God at work and go there!" I share that in the form of a challenge. Where do you see God at work and are you willing to "go there"? Perhaps it is volunteering to help out in the kitchen, participating in our music ministry or being a part of another ministry or outreach right here at Hubbard Church. The answer is found between you and God.

I see God mightily at work, in our own local and international missions. For me, engagement with our mission partners presents a special opportunity to see God at work and to join God in that work. I have found that it's not about what we can do for others, but what we can learn from them. It all boils down to one thing - relationships. Ask anyone who has been involved with one of our local mission partners or gone on an international mission trips and I think they will tell you - it's about building relationships. We learn about LOVE. Love for God, love for what God is doing in the world and love for one another.

Hubbard Church has a long history of partnering with both local and international agencies, as well as missionaries that serve those in need. Since I have been here, I have seen special relationships built between team members and the people they serve. I have seen our church family: serve meals, stock food pantry shelves, tutor, provide hospice care, write letters, send kids to camp, visit the homebound, build houses, build wells, support refugees, and so much more!

In all of that, what stands out the most are the relationships we have formed while doing that work. Not only do our mission and outreach teams form bonds together, but we also grow closer to the people we are serving and working with. These are the kinds of relationships that are transformational for all. These are the relationships that God's intends for God's people to share and enjoy.

Friends, God is at work in the life, ministry, and outreach of Hubbard Church! Even during a pandemic and the limitations COVID placed on us, there were and still are many ways to serve. If you want to learn about the many Volunteer opportunities available at Hubbard Church, simply ask anyone on our Mission Team which is led by Arnie Kuhn, or myself to learn more about our mission partners! If you have a ministry idea or a question about one of our current mission partners, please let me know. I would love to work with you and help you discover where you see God at work today!

Challenge on, LET'S GO! In Christ, *Pastor Lauren*



Volunteers Needed:

We are looking for volunteers to help with set-up and take-down of funerals, and other group functions held at HUMC and for any unscheduled cleaning as needed.

If you are willing to be on a Volunteer Call List, Please sign up on the **Volunteers Needed** signup sheets near the Nametag area.





Thank you for your participation in the "Flat Jesus" adventure. Keep those pictures coming along with a short post regarding where you "saw" Jesus at this moment. Need help to get started or..... feel free to contact Marion Hansen at marionha@wcta.net As our Campus team prepares for fall, we would love your ideas for how we can make our Hubbard page more "user friendly", would love to have you submit prayer, poems and Bible trivia items for posting on the site.

Help Wanted: Digital Communications Coordinator

Hubbard UMC in Park Rapids is seeking a PT Digital Communications Coordinator to manage the church's digital platforms, such as social media, website, livestream, and other forms of digital interaction.



Give Pastor Lauren a call!



Monthly Mission News

A living mystery

In *Walking on Water*, Madeleine L'Engle quotes Emmanuel Suhard, a French cardinal in the Catholic Church during the 1940s: "To be a witness does not consist in engaging in propaganda, nor even in stirring people up, but in being a living mystery. It means to live in such a way that one's life would not make sense if God did not exist."

What would it look like in your life to be "a living mystery" — to live in a way that wouldn't make sense if not for God's existence? What risks might you take for the sake of wholeness and justice in the world? To what lengths might you go to serve a neighbor? What fears might no longer fill your heart and rule your mind? Will you see Jesus in people who are poor, be surprised to find him revealed amid suffering? What "fruits" might you allow the Holy Spirit to cultivate in you — generosity, patience, self-control? What grace will you show to others because you have experienced God's love so powerfully? All of which makes sense only because God exists!

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can,

- As long as ever you can.

~John Wesley

Volunteers from HUMC deliver
Meals on Wheels to Park Rapids
residents once every 5 weeks.

If you are interested in becoming a
delivery person for this
rewarding activity,
please contact
Arnie Kuhn at 701-730-3667.

"Thank You" to our many dedicated volunteers.





Care And Comfort



Threads of Love

Quilting to Resume September 13

"What we make with our hands we give with our hearts.

The Threads of Love Quilters will resume their weekly quilting sessions on Tuesday, September 13, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, with everyone welcome! You may come and go at your convenience.

The ability to sew is not a requirement as there are many different tasks in making a quilt, such as cutting or ironing fabric, pinning or tying square knots.

At noon the group breaks for lunch, devotions and a time of fellowship. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the group's coordinator, Sue Harmon.

Our mission is: "to provide care and comfort to members of our community of faith, the wider community and the world through the making of quilts, fleece blankets, and prayer shawls to those in need, those who are ill and/or those who are experiencing challenging times so that they may know that we care and continue to keep each of them in our pray ers." Won't you please join us?



June 2022 Mission Giving

DESIGNATED MISSION GIVING

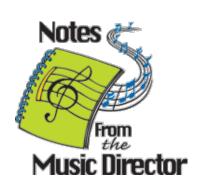
UMCOR LOVE OFFERING KITS

Pastor's Discretionary	\$190.10
Umcore-Ukraine Advance	\$5507.00
MN ANN CONF Love Offering	\$1975.00
UMCOR	\$650.00
UMF (UMW)	<u>\$100.00</u>
Total for Designated Giving	\$8422.00
MISSION COMMITTEE GIVING	

Total Missions Giving

\$8767.17

\$345.07



Rehearsal Dates:

August 3,17,31 September 14 & 28 October 12 Rehearsals are Wed.7pm

Choir is Back!

The choir is excited to be back singing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month, and at several Memorial Services recently.

Performance Dates:

Landess Memorial Sat.,Aug.6 11:00am

August 7 & 21 September 4 &18 October 2 & 16 Pre-service Rehearsal 8am

Make a Difference in Your Life and the Lives of Others!

Hubbard UMC has a Telephone Prayer Chain and an Email Prayer Chain. You can pray any time, anywhere, in your own way.

Joining our prayers together can really make a difference in many lives.

If you have questions or are interested in the email prayer chain contact: Deb Haagenson at debhaagenson@catholichealth.net and for the phone prayer chain call Gail Manlove at 218-366-5458.

- Pray for healing and comfort for those in need. (Please refer to the weekly prayer guide for details)
- for members in assisted living and those who are home bound.
- for our military: Derek Barnum, grandson of Pat Beaumont;
 John Johnson deployed in the Middle East; Jess Swanson,
 grandson of Jackie Swanson
- for our missionaries: Africa Deb & Rich Ried; Hungary Richard & Martha Millhouse & family; Nicaragua Belinda Forbes-Gutiérrez

If you would like to have a prayer request printed in the bulletin or news-letter, please inform the office. Remember, due to patient privacy, please get the permission from the person needing prayers to have their name printed.





United Women In Faith News: Much of what is being reported here has already taken place.

Mission U was held July-23-24

TOPIC: "Who Can We Be Together?" (Study of Luke 13)

1. What does it mean to be a community?

2.What can we do to move our earthly kingdom closer to God's kingdom?

3.Is there room for all?

The Study Book> "Who can we be together" Can be purchased for \$10.00 at: www.missionresources.org

The following events have already taken place:

Funeral lunch for Ross Beaumont (7/16/22)

Tom Carew (7/28/22)

Future Funeral Lunches:

Marj Nordstrom (7/30/22)

John Landness 8/6/22)

Vida Hume (8/21/22)

ANNUAL PARKING LOT SALE: August 11, 2022

8:00 AM -4:00 PM

All proceeds go to UWIF Missions for 2022

Check for sign up sheets at Church on Sundays

or Call B Davis 732-4451, or Marion Hanson

at 218-839-5054 to sign up. Please furnish your own tables. The serving of pulled pork sandwiches is planned.

The Fall Conference Gathering: Is being held at

Faith UMC in Waseca on October 1, 2022.

Topic: We Are All Treaty People! Protecting Treaties and Indigenous Ways Speaker: Nancy Beaulieu

<u>Human Rights Day</u>: Saturday, August 6, 2022 to be celebrated by UWIF Assembly.

FYI:

- The organization known as (UMW) is in the Book of Discipline (256.5) of the UMC, will continue its association with the UMC under that name. Our mission work is not controlled by the UMC – the UMC has supported our work through the years.
- Applications for <u>Emma Norton Scholarships</u> are now being accepted. Amounts available range from \$500 \$1,100. Check with Betty or Marion for requirements.

submitted by Betty Davis



We are adding to our staff!

Marleen Seach has come on board as our new funeral coordinator.

We also have hired Service Master for regular cleaning services. Please consider joining the volunteer committee for help moving chairs, or picking up, etc. after events that may come between cleanings. Sign-up sheet is by the nametags.

Northern Voice Newsletter Deadline

The Northern Voice newsletter is now published quarterly.

The deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month, so mark your calendar:

October 15 for the Winter Issue

Check out the new **HUMC Bulletin Board**Especially our new feature called "Member Spotlight."
Let's shine a light on all the noteworthy activities of our members and attenders!



The Taggarts are Back!

Four talented classical pianists—Emma, 19, Jacob, 15, Cecilia, 9, and Sophie, 5, will appear in concert on Sunday, August 7, at 3 p.m. at Hubbard United Methodist Church.

The Taggart summer concerts at HUMC, open to the public at no charge, began more than a decade ago, when Emma was six. Several years later she was joined by Jacob, then Cecilia, and now Sophie.

The children are the grandchildren of Ron and Margi Taggart of Park Rapids.

Emma and Jacob have given hundreds of solo and duo concerts, placed in national and international competitions, and been featured multiple times on prestigious programs such as NPR's *From The Top* and MPR's *Minnesota Varsity*. They have attended festivals and performed with orchestras across the world, including in Italy, Spain, Azerbaijan, and France. Together they have performed as the piano duo, Taggart Squared.

Emma Taggart

Emma, pioneering an avant-garde style of performing via a combination of music and dialogue, has stunned audiences across the world. She has been awarded top prize in numerous competitions, including the United States International Duo Piano Competition, the Schubert Club Student Scholarship Competition, the LaCrosse Symphony Concerto competition, and the YPSCA Minnesota Orchestra Concerto Competition, which included an engagement to play 11 concerts with the Minnesota Orchestra. Most recently, Emma was a prize winner in the Waring International Piano Competition as well as the New York International Piano Competition.

Emma currently studies with concert pianist Simone Dinnerstein at the Mannes School of Music in New York City.

Jacob Taggart

Jacob, with his energetic personality and daring interpretations, has captivated audiences and juries across the United States and Europe. His prowess has already been recognized with top prizes and awards in multiple major competitions.

As a solo artist, he has received first place in the Great Composers International Competition, the Young Artist Scholarship Competition, and the Golden Valley Orchestra Young Artist Concerto Competition. He also remains one of the youngest winners ever to capture the grand prize of the preteen division of the Minnesota State Fair Amateur Talent Competition. Most recently, Jacob was awarded first place in the Schubert Club Competition, the Dakota Valley Symphony Concerto Competition, and the LaCrosse Symphony Concerto Competition.

Jacob studies with Dr. Paul Wirth of the Wirth Center For the Per-

Cecilia and Sophie Taggart

Cecilia and Sophie, who have been playing the piano since they were each three years old, have wowed audiences all over Minnesota. Cecilia even entertained a crowd of over 500 at the 2021 Minnesota State Fair.

They are excited to be joining their older siblings in a wonderful annual tradition at HUMC. When not practicing, Cecilia and Sophie enjoy gymnastics, biking, and reading. Both also study with Dr Wirth





Emma Taggart Bruce Bolton Amy Lundstrom Lou Schultz Christopher Vargas Roger Jorgenson Bret DeGeer Cherilyn Sinner	1	3 7 7 8 8 9 9 1 2
LeRoy Martinson		2
Ruth Bakken		3
Gail Manlove	-	4
Carolyn Bixby		5
Don Haagenson		5
Nancy Vogt		6
Marvel Haynes	1	9
Wren Bolton	1	9
Dolly Hallstrom	2	0
Paul Seaton	2	0
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Becca Dooley	1
Mary Barrett	7
MaJeana Hallstrom	7
Jacob Taggart	10
Doug Hed	14
Betsy Hill	15
Bill Sinner	15
Jane Boehmer	16
Julie Smith	16
Margi Taggart	22
Jan Landess	23
Bobbie Zigmant	25
Jim Gordon	26
Linda Lund	28

October Birthdays Ava Bolton 1 Joy Derr Sue Harmon 5 Christopher Bolton 7 Nadine Wheeler 7 Fred Nordstrom Bob Heggen 10 Betsy Roman 14 Gary Barrett 19 Arlene Zimmerman 20 Marion Hansen 20 24 Keith Hein Wanda Mead 24 Marshall Kalm 26 27 Steve Steinborn Judy Johnson 28 Trudy Laabs 28 Kevin Berry 31

August Anniversaries

Jack & Joy Derr 1	
Karl & Boo Groth	5
Gary & Mary Barrett	7
Dale & Lois Captain	7
Jim & Pat Tanner	7
Melvin & Tonya Bolton	13
Tom & Sue Harmon	13
Jim & Pat Gordon	15
Mark & Betty Larsen	17
Rod & Marie Nordberg	20
Dennis & Eileen Bolton	21
Rob & MaJeana Hallstrom	23
Jeff & Lauren Hauger	28
Richard & Kaylyn Anderson	31

September Anniversaries

D D	onald & Janell Saunders	5
Ri	chard & Sharilyn Perrine	14
Le	Roy & Nancy Martinson	17
D	ennis & Terry Greenawalt	21
Aa	aron & Juliann Kjenaas	23
Jiı	n & Jill Eisele	27
G	ynn & Pam Davis	29

October Anniversaries

Bill & Edye Olson	10
Tom & Noel Moore	12
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Paul & Jenny Seaton	15
Larry & Karen Odegard	16
Douglas & Maxine Rathbun	23
Don & Deb Haagenson	25

INIVERSARIES

If we missed your name on the birthday/anniversary list, please call the office so it can be corrected. Also, please let us know if you are celebrating a special birthday or anniversary and would like this included in our newsletter. We wish all of those celebrating Anniversaries & Birthdays

UWF Parking Lot (Yard) Sale at the Hubbard United Methodist Church

12150 Broadway Road, Park Rapids (in the community of Hubbard)

Thursday, August 11th

8:00am – 4:00pm

Everything is Priced to Go!

No Checks / Cash Only

Sponsored by the Hubbard UWF All Proceeds go towards MISSION

YOU WILL FIND:

*Household Items

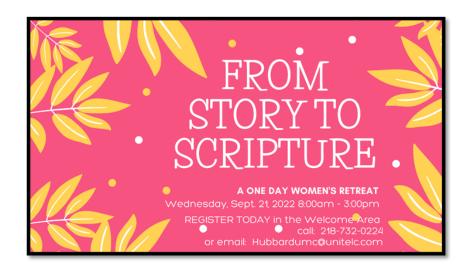
*Gently Used Furniture

*Baby Items *Office Items

*Garage Items / Tools

*Miscellaneous Treasures





"From Story to Scripture" Women's Retreat

\$10.00 payable to HUMC

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 - 8:00am - 3:00pm

Register in the Welcome Area or Call the office at 218-732-0224