



# MESSENGER

Worship in person at 9:30 am Sunday mornings—Masks required.

## Message from Travis

When I go to REI, I head straight to the return section. On the one hand, I am always in search of a deal, while on the other hand, what I really like to do is read the one-sentence descriptions of why the items were returned. Most of the time ,the reason for the return is plain and simple: too small, too big, too warm, too heavy. But sometimes there are gems: a returned tent tag read: after the weekend, dad decided he didn't like camping; a returned green hydro flask bottle read, wasn't the color purple; a returned container of cooking gas, too flammable; and my favorite on a returned pair of hiking shoes, "soul too hard."

One of the changes the pandemic has revealed to you and me is the desperate need of tender souls; we have enough souls too hard kind of people already. What we need are tender souls and tender faith communities to help put our faith back together, to help us weave our lives back together, to help us repair the brokenness.

The great gift of Judson is that it is and can be a tender place. The kind of place where folks can declare who they are in safety and without judgment. It takes soft and tender souls to offer and practice that kind of hospitality. You and I and the community need the kind of place where outsiders and insiders can say things like, "I never knew I was a racist, but I am.. I want to change, help me!". Or "I am part of the problem, but I want to be a part of the solution. Can you help me?". It takes tender souls to do that kind of work. I believe we are up to this task.

This month let us pray for the continued tenderization of our souls and the courage to offer tender hospitality.

Peace of Christ be with you,  
Travis

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Ushers	Office Manager

The Pastoral Relations committee includes the following people: Mary Gustafson (chair), Joel Frederickson, Pam Joern, and Karla McGray. Feel free to speak with any of these people to share ideas, concerns, or thanks.

(\*Subcommittee members are listed alphabetically)

**Articles for the next issue of the Judson Messenger can be submitted to [bkumlin@judsonchurch.org](mailto:bkumlin@judsonchurch.org). The deadline is the 20th of each month for the following month.**  
**For hardcopy submissions, see the editor listed on the address page.**

**MODERATOR'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

I hope you are enjoying these beautiful Autumn days! This is my favorite time of year with the cooler temps and the splashes of color. And yet . . . my physical therapist told me that my shoulders were suffering from "Minnesota Hunch," caused by the cooler weather and shortening days. It seems our bodies instinctively curl in to protect us from the coming winter.

Well, there's no Minnesota Hunch at Judson Church that I can detect! It seems to me we are doing our "Inner Body Bright" posture, and we are opening our hearts, not curling in to protect ourselves. There is a sparkle in the air and a palpable energy with all of the activities, online and otherwise. People are coming up with ideas for groups and activities, exploration, and recognition. Check out my personal reflection at our September 12th service to see how excited I am about where Judson Church is at!

Your Council had its first meeting of the new fiscal year on September 7th. It was lively and productive. We met (via Zoom) our new marketing /communications coordinator, Bryant Kumlin, we learned about our fiduciary duty (take care of business by ALWAYS putting the welfare of Judson first), and we started talking about the recommendations from the Outreach & Engagement Committee (take a look at their report - available at the office).

Remember, this is our time to say "YES!" Please contact me if you have any ideas about what you would like to see us do at Judson or if you have a special interest in any projects or tasks. And keep your bright light shining!

Monica Lewis

Judson Church Moderator



**The 39th running of the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon will be on October 3rd, 2021. The route takes it near Judson Church, so please be aware that traffic will be affected!**

### **YOUTHLINK BREAKFAST AND PRESENTATION**

Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group

The Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group is back in action. D'Ann and Micah have continued to volunteer at YouthLink over the last several months. In addition, now, the Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group is scheduled to serve breakfast at YouthLink on Tuesday, October 12th.

Those serving breakfast will talk about their experience at an open forum on Sunday, October 17th, after the worship service (10:45 am). Also, Sonya Yermishkin, Volunteer and Donor Engagement contact person at YouthLink will give a short presentation about YouthLink. She will give a general overview of the mission of YouthLink, and talk about the volunteer opportunities available at YouthLink. Please join us for this presentation.

Judson action group members and others last served breakfast and lunch at YouthLink in October of 2019. Volunteer opportunities were limited after that because of Covid. We are looking forward to renewing the opportunity to serve meals at YouthLink and continuing to serve the youth in our community in other ways.

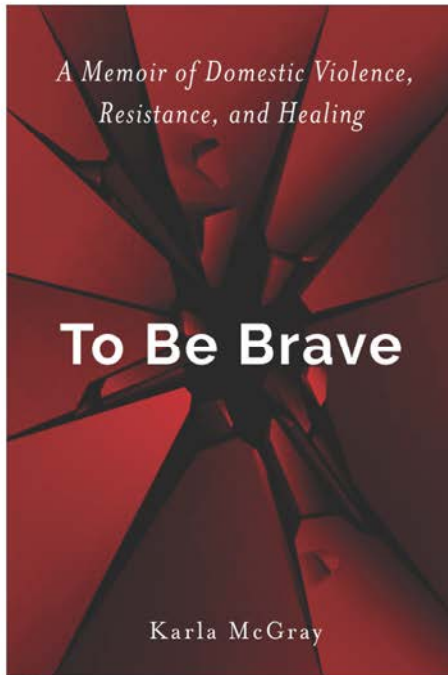
For more information about this Judson action group, contact Kathy Urbaniak, 612-232-3924.

### **PAPER BAG DONATIONS**

What began as an ask from We Win and a bulletin notice to keep paper bags for donation to help package and deliver free groceries to families in North Minneapolis became a wonderful opportunity for Judson to help our food shelf partners save at least 8 cents per bag. We have received and passed on over 10,000 paper bags since this effort began.

We are still happily accepting and passing on paper bags in a tub with a bright yellow lid near the arcade entrance. Clean plastic food bags are also welcome.





**“This heart-wrenching story is a message of hope, resilience, and strength.”**

—*Suzy Whelan, former program manager of SafeJourney, North Memorial Health*

In 1959, in Garrison, Minnesota, a twenty-six-year-old woman shot and killed her abusive husband. Years earlier, her sister had fled with her young daughter from Texas to Minnesota to escape a man who threatened to kill her, her child, and her entire family.

*To Be Brave* tells the story of how one Minnesota farm family experienced domestic violence. To write it, Karla McGray had to acknowledge the lifelong impact of traumatic events, unearth family secrets, and name the courage of her mother and her aunt.

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6" x 9" paperback / 164 pages / ISBN 978-0-578-88614-5: **\$16.95**

e-book / ISBN 978-0-578-88615-2: **\$6.99**

“McGray’s heartfelt and compact memoir offers many wonderful stories. . . . A warmhearted, concise, and compassionate account that confronts difficult issues and celebrates success.”

—*Kirkus Reviews*

“The focus of this redemptive memoir is on grace. On the ordinary angels who enabled [McGray] to transform a terrible knowledge into a life lived out in love. We are the beneficiaries of her determination to deepen the decision of what it means to be brave.”

—**Patricia Weaver Francisco**, author of *Telling: A Memoir of Rape and Recovery*



*Photo by Judy Griesedieck*

**Karla McGray**, an ordained minister, served many years as a chaplain in a Level I trauma center in Minneapolis. She has served on nonprofit boards, presented to community groups, and led support groups for individuals who have suffered loss, abuse, and assault. Karla is available for book groups and other discussion groups, virtually or in person. Contact her at [tobebrave427@gmail.com](mailto:tobebrave427@gmail.com).

## “BACK TO SCHOOL” LUNCH ITEMS NEEDED AT JOYCE UPTOWN FOOD SHELF

“Back to School” items are needed at Joyce Food Shelf. Please donate any items during the month of October that could be used in packing lunches for school youth.

Such items could include: chips, pretzels, applesauce and/or fruit packs, granola bars, raisins, small packages of snack cookies or cheese and crackers, etc.

All items must be non-perishable and shelf-stable.

Please bring these items to Judson Church anytime during the month of October and Jim ten Bensel or Kathy Urbaniak will deliver to Joyce Food Shelf. Or you may drop off food donations at Joyce Food Shelf, 3041 Fremont Ave. S. on Fridays from 9-1 p.m.

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. You may send a check to Judson Church and designate “Joyce Food Shelf.” Or, you can process an online donation by using Vanco: go to [judsonchurch.org](http://judsonchurch.org), website, click on “MAKE A DONATION,” then put your donation amount in the food shelf box, and click continue.

Thank you for your continue support of Joyce Uptown Food Shelf.

### JUDSON PRESCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION!



The first day of preschool was on September 7th, and was greeted by members of Judson church who brought the greatest gift a child nervous for the first day of school could ask for: donuts. Travis and the Outreach and Engagement Committee greeted children and their guardians with a treat.

Anne reported that teachers were happy to have a distraction while they got the children in, and that they helped keep kids in a positive mood about school.

“I had fun watching the wide diversity of moods among the arriving kids and parents. Some sad, some happy, some shy, some quite extroverted, but they all perked up when asked if they wanted a donut!” - Brad Joern

“One teacher came up to the table and said “I heard about these donuts from the morning teachers - I'm so glad they are still here!” as she grabbed a donut and went inside.” - Leslie Rapp

## STARFISH REPORT

LaTisha was one of 18 people who called 952-686-4124 and left a message on the Starfish phone in September. She needed assistance to pay a past-due utility bill, and also to purchase food for her and her children. She lives in south Minneapolis.

We met with LaTisha at Bethlehem Church. (Starfish is a joint ministry of Judson and Bethlehem; we process payments through the Bethlehem office.) Covid had affected Latisha's employment, and, though she was back at work now, she had fallen behind on her Xcel bill. With Latisha's permission, we talked to an Xcel representative, who confirmed that she owed \$326.14. We informed LaTisha and Xcel that Starfish Ministry would process payment to bring her up to date.

We talked to LaTisha some more, and decided to also give her a \$50 Cub card and a \$50 MTC bus card. We filled out the one-page "Starfish Fund Application Form" and had LaTisha sign it. We made copies of the form, LaTisha's identification, and her Xcel bill—for Starfish records and in order to process payment.

LaTisha asked if she could trade the MTC card for a gas card. Since school had started and bussing has been disrupted, her neighbor has been taking her children to school, and LaTisha wanted to give the neighbor the \$50 gas card. We traded cards.

We were impressed, but not surprised, that LaTisha had thought of her neighbor's needs, even putting those in front of her own. This is not unusual, as we meet with people requesting Starfish assistance. There are many heroic stories of people in need helping one another. We gave LaTisha an MTC bus card, too.

Since January of 2011, Starfish has assisted 671 people. Our guidelines give preference to Judson and Bethlehem members (though we've just had a few such requests), and to people who live in the south Minneapolis area. A person receiving assistance becomes eligible again after one year, though the majority of people do not need future help, fulfilling the Starfish philosophy to be a "bridge" for people when emergency or out-of-ordinary needs arise.

Do people ever take advantage of Starfish? Of the 671 people assisted over the last 12 years, there are 14 people on our "Watch" list, who may not have been legitimate. So we are confident of 98% of people we assist. We have a good system of vetting. At present, the government program RentHelpMN is being effective in assisting people with rental needs. This has allowed Starfish to help those who do not qualify for RentHelpMN, and those who have other needs.

The "Starfish" story poses the question to the young person gently helping Starfish back into the sea, "What difference does it make—to help one Starfish, when there are so many on the beach?" The young person answers, "It makes a difference to this one." Indeed: it makes a difference to LaTisha (name changed for confidentiality).

### Starfish Information—September, 2021

Requesters helped: 8 Total Aid: \$4,327.14

Utilities, Rental Assistance: \$3,477.14

Bus/Gas/Food cards: \$850

Funds Exhausted: September 23, 2021

**FROM CAROLYN KOLOVITZ**

A basic definition of spirituality is that it is those experiences, practices, and beliefs that bring a feeling of **deep connection** to nature and the universe, to other people, to our authentic inner being, and to the Mystery that surrounds us. This felt connection brings a sense of purpose and meaning to our lives.

The guided meditations I've been facilitating during Sunday services are a way to regularly pause and tap into your own felt sense of connection.

I joined the Judson team because of my commitment to validating and encouraging that connection for young people. (Research, and my personal experience, show that when spirituality is ignored in a child's life, feelings of emptiness, anxiety, despair can too often take hold.)

Young people are already spiritual. We are all on a journey, a spiritual journey of deepening that felt connection, a journey that often begins with a sense of wonder and awe at the beautiful creation all around us. It can lead to greater compassion for people and all living beings. It can lead to freedom from thought habits, cultural norms, and material attachments that inhibit us from being our uniquely brilliant selves. It can lead to a sense of relationship with something (God, Spirit, Oneness, Ancestors) beyond the physical world.

I believe that by focusing my work on the spiritual journey of all ages in our community, young people will be positively impacted. More intergenerational experiences will strengthen the connections that young people feel with adults at Judson. More families with young children, who increasingly identify as spiritual but not religious, will be attracted to our church.

I invite everyone to use what comes up for you during a guided meditation as a conversation starter with people of different ages around you. Then ask what came up for them.

Interested in talking about any of this or your own spiritual musings and questions or have ideas for the congregation? I've been happily meeting with some folks individually, as well as facilitating a monthly spirituality circle. (The group is at capacity, but I can start a 2<sup>nd</sup> group if more people are interested) The best way to reach me is by email: [Ckolovitz@JudsonChurch.org](mailto:Ckolovitz@JudsonChurch.org). You can also text or call my cell 612-987-8779 after 10 am. Mondays, Tuesdays, or Fridays are the best days to reach me.

***BLESSED AMONG US—LEARNING FROM OUR ANCESTORS***

**Hildegard of Bingen, September 19th**

**Howard Thurman, September 26th**

**Joan of Ark, October 3rd**





## COVID TASK FORCE UPDATE

Judson's Covid task force met on September 20. It was a check-in meeting to debrief about how things have gone the last month, and to reconfirm Judson guidelines.

There were 61 people at the rally (small "r") Sunday worship service. Everyone wore masks, and all were cooperative about other covid guidelines; it was a comfortable morning for all and a very nice re-gathering at Judson. We will be having occasional adult forums after worship service—in the sanctuary, to enable social distancing. The September 18 memorial service went well, following Judson's guidelines for memorial services and weddings.

Below are Judson's guidelines for Sunday worship, updated September 20, 2021:

1. Masks are required for all people attending worship services.
2. Travis, Carolyn, and worship leaders will wear masks, but may temporarily remove them when speaking.
3. We encourage people to fellowship outside after the service.
4. The first few pews will remain vacant. The sanctuary remains marked for social distancing, with alternate pews remain roped off.
5. Adjustments so far have worked well, and will continue: using the small individual containers for communion; the practice of shared prayer requests; one offering basket in the back; masks and hand sanitizers available at several spots.
6. We are thankful that the vast majority of Judson people have been vaccinated; we continue to strongly encourage getting vaccinations.
7. Continue to check Judson emails for ongoing updates and reminders. We will continue to be cautious and flexible at Judson.

Below are additional general points related to use of Judson at other times:

1. Wear masks upon entering and exiting the church. Be especially mindful of this when preschool children are present.
2. Each small group meeting at church can use its judgment as to whether to continue to wear masks during that meeting.
3. We continue to strongly recommend getting vaccinations.

Present covid-19 task force members are: Eileen McLaughlin, Travis Norvell, Polly Schrom, Karla McGray, Barb and Tom Balcom, and Kathy and Wayne Urbaniak; also, Dawn Martin and Susan Mason have agreed to serve as resource people to the task force. The next task force meeting is at 9:00 on October 15, via zoom.

Again, we thank all who have been using Judson Church, for the excellent cooperation and sensitivity this summer and into this autumn.

### JUDSON SOLAR PANEL DEDICATION

September 19th brought the dedication of Judson Church’s new solar panels. With these we now generate 70,000 kWh annually, enough to power most of our daytime activities and even kick some back into the grid on sunny summer days. This is a major step forward for our commitment to better environmental stewardship.



The lively crowd celebrating the dedication of our solar panels

Buff Grace from Minnesota Interfaith Power and

Light said they were delighted to work with us:

“Judson Memorial is in an elite group. Despite solar energy being less expensive to produce now than coal or gas, the business plans of large utilities such as Xcel and the maze of incentives, make going solar a complicated process. It takes dedication and commitment from leaders. Of 100 congregations that MNIPL first reached out to in 2019 for this program, only six cross the finish line to install a solar array. Judson was the first.



A view from the roof

In the age of climate crisis, which is not only making the long-term poor and needy more vulnerable, but also putting the lives of all people more at risk, the act of shifting our energy use to zero-carbon sources is every bit an act of mercy as feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and visiting the sick. It may not look like our typical picture of Jesus, but it is walking directly in his footsteps.”



Drone footage of the 140 solar panel array

## RACIAL JUSTICE RESOURCES – SEPTEMBER 2021

The Racial Justice Team has been charged with providing concrete examples and practices to show the way for the broader Judson community to “make the beloved community a reality.” Our intent is to provide a range of educational, reflective, and action-oriented practices available quarterly. Past suggestions can be found on the Judson Website under the ACT tab. **If you have a resource you’d like to share, please email Carley Watts and we will add them to our resource “library” [carleybwatts@gmail.com](mailto:carleybwatts@gmail.com).**

**Critical Race Theory: Curators notes:** We’ve been hearing the term Critical Race Theory in the news a lot lately. We felt it was important to offer some resources to better understand the history and meaning behind the term.

### Articles:

***Critical Race Theory: A Brief History***, by Jacey Fortin of The New Times. This article provides an overview of Critical Race Theory, where it originated, and how it is used in academia.

***The Man Behind Critical Race Theory***, by Jelani Cobb of The New Yorker. This audio article introduces you to civil rights attorney, Derrick Bell. Bell introduced the idea now known as Critical Race Theory.

***TED Talk: The Urgency of Intersectionality*** Speaker, Kimberlé Crenshaw is a professor of law at UCLA and Columbia Law School, and a leading authority in the area of civil rights, Black feminist legal theory, and race, racism and the law. Her work has been foundational in two fields of study that have come to be known as critical race theory and intersectionality.

### Documentary:

***High on the Hog: How African American Cuisine Transformed America***. Netflix series. Black food is American food. Chef and writer Stephen Satterfield explores and celebrates black contributions to global food and culture taking the viewer from Africa and the markets of Benin to the outer shores of the Carolinas to the culture of Black cowboys in Texas.

### Books:

***The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America***. by Richard Rothstein. Recommended by Brad Joern of Judson’s Racial Justice team. Rothstein spent years documenting the evidence that government not merely ignored discriminatory practices in the residential sphere but *promoted* them.

### Young Adults:

***The Beautiful Struggle***, by Ta-Nehisi Coates. A coming of age story adapted for young adults from his memoir of the same name.

### Action Step

Remember to **VOTE** on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Communications Corner

**Pastor:** Brad, I understand there is a new committee, Outreach & Engagement, this year with representation on the Church Council. Can you tell me about its origins?

**Brad:** The Outreach & Engagement (“O&E”) Committee originated from a series of thoughts and conditions that were present at Judson in early-to-mid 2021, particularly the belief on the part of the Judson Council that we need to grow. The question of how growth happens is challenging to answer, especially during the COVID pandemic, but the work of two Judson council-appointed task forces were instrumental in laying the groundwork. The first of these task forces was the Marketing/Communications Strategy Team appointed by Moderator Laura O’Halloran in the fall of 2020. This team was charged with developing a strategy for helping Judson more effectively extend ourselves within and beyond the four walls of Judson—to engage more people in deepening and broadening their understanding and knowledge of Judson’s ministry. The second task force was the Committee Restructuring Task Force which was formed to look at how work gets done at Judson under our current committee structure and to make recommendations for getting more people involved on a short term basis, avoiding burnout, and having some fun along the way.

The work of these two teams resulted in the formation of the new Outreach & Engagement committee that repurposes much of the good work of the former Membership, Leadership, Stewardship Committee into the O&E committee.

**Pastor:** Who is on the O&E committee?

**Brad:** Leslie Rapp, Michele Molstead, Doug Harvey, and I are the current non-staff members of the O&E committee, but we are joined by Pastor Travis and Bryant Kumlin as staff representatives. Since much of the O&E committee’s work involves spreading the good word about Judson, we will be working closely with Bryant on a number of projects. Of course, we intend to adopt the model of engaging small, short-term task forces to help us along the way.

**Pastor:** Can you talk a little about the 7 goals for the committee is asking the congregation as a whole to engage?

**Brad:** The previously referenced Marketing/Communication Strategy Team made the following seven recommendations to the Judson Council in March 2021:

Develop, adopt, and promote Judson’s brand promise;

Develop creative ways to invite people into the Judson experience;

Find appropriate ways to intentionally connect with the Judson Pre-school;

Develop new “marketing” tools and resources;

Add Judson staff in the area of marketing/communications;

Leverage the facilities and location of Judson; and

Equip the saints—both old and new

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The Council has asked the O&E committee to make it our priority to begin work on these objectives. The overall thrust of the recommended strategy is to more effectively get the people, the ministry, and the reputation of Judson as a justice-oriented place out into the neighborhood and beyond. The congregation's affirmative vote to hire staff enabled us to engage Bryant Kumlin in early September, and O&E has been helping Travis design and implement some objectives for him. With or without additional staff, this list of recommendations is an imposing one which will take us time to fully implement. We will need others from the congregation and possibly elsewhere to help us. Please let us know if you have ideas that fit into these goals/recommendations, and if you are willing to work on them as part of a task force.

**Pastor:** Bryant, it is great to have you as a member of the Judson staff. Can you share with the Judson community what attracted you to this position?

**Bryant:** What I liked most about this position was the way it fit my eclectic background in digital production, church history, and love of communication like a glove. I appreciated that Judson puts in the effort to be a welcoming and affirming church, your commitment to racial justice, and the intentional effort to be better known the neighborhood.

**Pastor:** Bryant, again, it is great you as a staff member. We have already seen the impact your gifts and talents have had on the community. Can you share with the community a little about yourself?

**Bryant:** I am a historian at heart. My research was on the interplay of culture and language and how they impacted theology and church practice. One of my professors told me I shouldn't get a PhD unless I could not sleep at night thinking about the topic I wanted to study, and one night at 3 am I realized that I was getting a pretty clear indication of where I should go next in life. I'm hoping to enroll back at Luther Seminary to pursue that PhD next year, and really looking forward to working with Judson while I do that!

**Pastor:** What about something a little quirkier? Tell us about your YouTube channel.

**Bryant:** I make videos about church history! My most popular series so far has been on the 7 ecumenical councils. I am mostly interested in American Protestants (it's called "Prot Talks" for a reason), but I also have a deep love of Orthodoxy and icons, so I've started a video series on that too.

**Pastor:** Again, thanks for being at Judson. One last thing, what is your dog's name?

**Bryant:** That would be Dolly, naturally named for Dolly Parton.



## JUDSON CHURCH NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

### Open Streets Lyndale, Blessing of the Animals, and Blessing of the Bikes

On Sunday, October 10th, Judson Church will have a booth at Open Streets on Lyndale. This is an excellent opportunity to meet our neighbors and have them meet us. We will be offering a blessing of the animals and blessing of the bikes, as well as bike tune-up help. If you are interested in helping with the booth, please let Travis know. We are hoping for people to sit at the booth in hour-long segments.

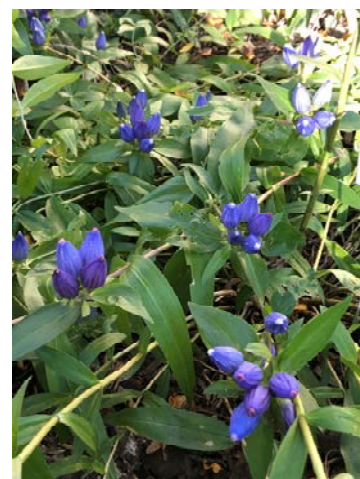
### Remembrance of All Souls, a Community Art Event

On Sunday, October 30th, from 10 to 4, Judson Church will be offering an opportunity for ourselves and our neighbors to share our memories of our departed loved ones. Supplies will be provided to write names and have them read, and we need volunteers from Judson for one or two-hour blocks to help keep this running smoothly. We will be reading a list of names from the community to once per hour. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dreya ([dreyalayman@gmail.com](mailto:dreyalayman@gmail.com)) or Pam Joern ([pamelajoern@comcast.net](mailto:pamelajoern@comcast.net)).

## FINAL RAIN GARDEN SESSION FOR THE SEASON

Our final rain garden session will be Wednesday, October 6th at a new, later time: 11:00-1:00, for better light and warmer temps, followed by lunch at Turtle Bread Restaurant in Linden Hills. Please join us if you can. We will weed the gardens and trim the plants as usual. We will also remove and share arcade flower box plants for anyone wanting to pot up “tropicals” for houseplants this winter. Bring pots if this interests you. See you soon.

- Barb Balcom (612-718-9482 for questions)



### ODDS AND ENDS

- Please follow the [Judson Channel on Vimeo](#) [ctrl click] so you can receive the latest worship services.
- Please [like Judson Church on Facebook](#). [ctrl click]
- And please forward [this sign-up link](#) [ctrl click] to your friends and encourage them to sign up for our daily emails.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have any updates for the Tree of Life (the Judson Prayer List), either send them to me at ([gtnorvell@judsonchurch.org](mailto:gtnorvell@judsonchurch.org)) or send them to Eileen at ([info@judsonchurch.org](mailto:info@judsonchurch.org)). [ctrl click]

### DIRECTORY REQUESTS

If you need an updated copy of an updated Judson Directory, please let Eileen know at ([info@judsonchurch.org](mailto:info@judsonchurch.org)). You can request a hard copy or a PDF copy sent to you by email. If you have changed your address, phone number, or new email, please contact the church office.

### LULU JOHNSON'S BLOG

We wish blessings on Lulu's travel and study. Lulu is on her **Fulbright Scholarship** in Seoul, South Korea. [She will blog about her experience here](#). [ctrl click]

### CHURCH CALENDAR ON WEBSITE

-If you have a Judson gathering (a meeting or an event), please let Eileen in the office know so we can put it on the [Judson Church Calendar](#). [ctrl click] Again, this is another tool to share with others the good news of this congregation. We are doing lots of good work; let's not cover up that light!

### SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



rally Sunday



Larry Jacobson from Judson

Buff Grace from Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light

And Peter Reese from Sundial Energy



Judson's new banner

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2021

### Sunday, October 3rd, World Communion Sunday:

9:30 am: Worship, Listening to Our Ancestors: Joan of Ark

11:00 am: Karla McGray's Book Launch, *To Be Brave*

### Sunday, October 10th:

9:30 am: Worship, Listening to Our Ancestors: Francis and Claire of Assisi

11:00 am to 5pm: Open Streets Lyndale

### Sunday, October 17th:

9:30 am: Worship, Listening to Our Ancestors: Walter Rauschenbusch

11:00 am: Presentation from Youth Link

### Sunday, October 24th:

9:30 am: Worship, Listening to Our Ancestors: Teresa of Avila

### Sunday, October 31st, Reformation Sunday:

9:30 am: Worship, All Saints, and All Souls Day

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