

What if?

What If? A Question We Can't Live Without

We are serious about not being able to live without these "what ifs." The only reason our species is still on this planet is that people have time and time again asked, "What if?" and then found a way to make it possible. Of course, we've gotten ourselves in a lot of trouble with that as well, chasing after short-sighted, self-interested, short-term 'what ifs.' But it doesn't have to be that way. While imagining the future will require mind boggling and wild ride inducing 'what ifs,' we needn't be afraid. We've got what we need to do it. Let's take a look. Thanks for being here today!

WELCOME!

Life, for adults and kids alike, is most fulfilling when it is woven deeply with others and that mysterious element we often call the third strand, or "God."

Expect ways for all ages to participate each week.

Learn more about Fabric at FabricMpls.com

Miss a week or want to hear the message again?

Check our podcast - fabricmpls.podbean.com

WHAT TO EXPECT

We're glad you're here!

Music with Chris Tripolino & the Fabric Band

Welcome, Another Song, & Say Hi

Message – Greg Meyer & Kaarin Kratz

Connecting with & supporting Fabric

Song & Closing thoughts

See you here at the Falls again next week!

ROAM-ING THIS SUMMER?

R.O.A.M.

Try ROAM-ing this week.

(Read, Observe, Apply, Meditate)

Isaiah 43.16-21 (focus on verses 18 & 19), and Luke 1.26-38. Also try this "What If" poem, *Coniferous Trees*

by Michael Kleber-Diggs from "Worldly Things" Milkweed Press, 2021. Read it at www.gwarlingo.com/coniferous-fathers

NEXT SUNDAY

What If... We Looked at the Roots of a Problem?



Architect and researcher Gabrielle Clowdus couldn't ignore this question when it came to homelessness. Come find out how that one "what if" has led to others - and expect glimpses of your own.



Open Mic Sign Up: Calling all performance artists! With live performance having such a power to bring us together, Fabric is hosting an open mic as part of the Minnehaha Falls Art Fair on July 16. Sign up to share a family friendly song or a poem or two! Hover over the QR code to the right.



Dipping your toes into Set Up Crew! Are you ready to get to know people better? Are you wanting a morning work out? Are you skilled at welcoming people or want to build that skill? **NEXT SUNDAY (July 9)** from 9:00-12:30 come to the Falls and learn what it means to be on the set up crew!

SPACE FOR NOTES:

"What If?" is the doorway through the Impossible to the Possible!



CALLING ALL LITTLES: Join Nature Camp! *From little seeds grow mighty trees.* Starting today Fabric will be offering a kids nature camp! This will allow your saplings to dig in to the wonders of nature, seed between the lines of the messages, all while getting a little twiggle on. Okay, we admit, that was all a bit mulch, but we are so excited to wonder and awe at the world around us. Nature camp will be geared toward ages 2-6, but older kiddos are invited to "help" with some of the projects we'll be exploring. Listen for the invitation to join the leaders at a space just adjacent to the gathering. Kids will return after about 20 minutes.



- July 9 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand - *What If?*
- July 16 - Open Mic as part of the Minnehaha Falls Art Fair**
- July 23 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand - *What If?*
- July 30 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand - *What If?*
- August 6 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand - *What If?*
- August 13 - Amazing Race and Ice Cream Social**
- August 20 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand
- August 27 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand
- September 3 Minnehaha Falls Bandstand

Watch for more details about each week and invite some one to join you for a Sunday morning in the park!

Shout Outs!



A special thanks to **Steve Roste** for a fantastic overhaul of our trailer (wiring, wheels, paneling, etc.) Come admire his handiwork!



Thank you to Hardshell Fitness for housing our trailer this summer. Their values are empathy | Resilience | Community. If you are looking for a fitness community try them out! hardshellfit.com



Thanks Autumn and team at the Caribou on Minnehaha Parkway & Cedar Ave for donating coffee today and one Sunday each month! Cedar Ave construction has been tough on business, so thank them by stopping in for a cup this week.

Fabric Land Acknowledgement - It matters to grow in our remembering and recognition of where we are. We live and gather on the sacred traditional lands of the Dakota people who have stewarded this land for thousands of years and still call home. In 1805 the US government gave them little choice but to sign a land treaty to make way for white settlers and the establishment of the US State of Minnesota. These Minnehaha Falls flow right into a sacred center place for the Dakota; the Bdote, the joining of the Minnesota and Mississippi Rivers. It is an honor to live, work and weave community on this land alongside Dakota, Ojibwe, and other Indigenous people.