

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022~9:30 A.M.**

*Welcome to Faith United Methodist Church. It is our heart and desire to **engage** the community of Waseca with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, **equip** those who respond to be the next generation of disciples of Jesus Christ and **empower** them to go into the world as partners with God for the healing of the world.*

PRELUDE

GREETING/WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

God alone is our refuge and hope,  
our shelter and protection.

**From our very first breath to our last,  
God's love and compassion never fails.**

So come, lift your voices in praise to God.

**Bear witness to God's acts of mercy and love.**

**Proclaim God's glory to all who will listen.**

Let's worship God together.

HYMN....."A Mighty Fortress Is Our God".....UMH #110, vs. 1, 2, 4

UNISON PRAYER

**God of life, death, and resurrection, we are grateful for life and all its gifts. Increase in us the stuff that life is made of - faith, hope, and love, but especially love - that we may abide with you eternally through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. Amen**

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

HYMN....."The Gift of Love".....UMH #408

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord, in your righteousness,  
deliver us and set us free

THE LORD'S PRAYER.....Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY.....UMH #95

PRAYER

**O God, bless these gifts that we have given as expressions of our love for you and our neighbors, that they may bring closer to fulfillment your reign of peace and love; through Jesus Christ, Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING

**Psalm 71:1-6**.....Les Wells

Lord, you are my refuge! Don't let me down! Save me from my enemies, for you are just! Rescue me! Bend down your ear and listen to my plea and save me. Be to me a great protecting Rock, where I am always welcome, safe from all attacks. For you have issued the order to save me. Rescue me, O God, from these unjust and cruel men. O Lord, you alone are my hope; I've trusted you from childhood. Yes, you have been with me from birth and have helped me constantly—no wonder I am always praising you!

**1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (Living Bible)**.....Les Wells

If I had the gift of being able to speak in other languages without learning them and could speak in every language there is in all of heaven and earth, but didn't love others, I would only be making noise. If I had the gift of prophecy and knew all about what is going to happen in the future, knew everything about *everything*, but didn't love others, what good would it do? Even if I had the gift of faith so that I could speak to a mountain and make it move, I would still be worth nothing at all without love. If I gave everything I have to poor people, and if I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel but didn't love others, it would be of no value whatever.

Love is very patient and kind, never jealous or envious, never boastful or proud, never haughty or selfish or rude. Love does not demand its own way. It is not irritable or touchy. It does not hold grudges and will hardly even notice when others do it wrong. It is never glad about injustice, but rejoices whenever truth wins out. If you love someone, you will be loyal to him no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground in defending him.

**THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD  
THANKS BE TO GOD**

**Luke 4:21-30**.....Pastor Carolyn

Then he added, "These Scriptures came true today!"

All who were there spoke well of him and were amazed by the beautiful words that fell from his lips. “How can this be?” they asked. “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?”

Then he said, “Probably you will quote me that proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself’—meaning, ‘Why don’t you do miracles here in your hometown like those you did in Capernaum?’ But I solemnly declare to you that no prophet is accepted in his own hometown! For example, remember how Elijah the prophet used a miracle to help the widow of Zarephath—a foreigner from the land of Sidon. There were many Jewish widows needing help in those days of famine, for there had been no rain for three and a half years, and hunger stalked the land; yet Elijah was not sent to them. Or think of the prophet Elisha, who healed Naaman, a Syrian, rather than the many Jewish lepers needing help.”

These remarks stung them to fury; and jumping up, they mobbed him and took him to the edge of the hill on which the city was built, to push him over the cliff. But he walked away through the crowd and left them.

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love".....TFWS #2223

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

### **REMEMBER OUR CHURCH FAMILIES IN YOUR PRAYERS...**

Remember our church members & friends who are less mobile and are unable to join us as often as they would like, including:

**Colony Court:** Joe Tollefson, Janice Kaupa, Shirley Burdick

**Janesville Nursing Home:** Nina Youngberg

**Foxdale Memory Care:** Elaine Westrum

**Lakeshore Inn:** Leona Quast

**Latham Place:** Lucille Kubista

**Koda Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna:** Ardella Draheim

**Prayer Requests for Sunday:** John Slattery, Andrea Johnson, Leona Quast, Adeline Busse, government officials, health care workers, first responders, and those who are at risk and most vulnerable to Covid-19, those who battle chronic illness and pain.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement or prayer request you would like to have shared at Sunday service, please email the church office at [faithwaseca@gmail.com](mailto:faithwaseca@gmail.com) by Thursday. If you would like your announcement printed in the bulletin, please e-mail the announcement by Wednesday. If you do not have access to email, you may call the church office at 835-3167. **We also want to hear any joys you have so please email or call the church with any that you would like to share!**

**\*\* Please stay home if you are sick. God will forgive you!**

When you do come to church or visit the church building, please remember to wear a mask at all times.

If you are unable to attend worship, you may view the service online via a link on our Facebook page, Faith United Methodist Church, or our website, [wasecafaithumc.com](http://wasecafaithumc.com). The service is also aired on the local PEG television, channel #8 at the following times:

Sunday 12:30 PM  
Tuesday 8:30 AM

Thursday 4:30 PM  
Saturday 6:00 PM

We are pleased to announce the return of Sunday School! Linda Griffin and Stacy True have volunteered to lead Sunday School. Sunday School will begin in February and will be held the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...**

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01/30/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

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01/31/2022 (Mon.) Administrative Assistant Out of Office  
10:00 am - Newsletter Folding  
3:00-4:30 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (\*LV Room)

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02/02/2022 (Wed.) 5:00 pm - Confirmation (Gathering Room)

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02/03/2022 (Thur.) 10:30 am - Bible Study

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02/06/2022 (Sun.) Birthday Sunday  
9:30 am - Worship Service

\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall

**Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:**

Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

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