

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY
February 14th, 2020~9:30 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

HYMN....."We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"Jarod True

CALL TO WORSHIP

We do not know what to say,
For we are afraid.
But a cloud overshadows us,
And a voice comes to us—
"This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"
Lord, we listen today!

OPENING PRAYER

Holy and mighty God, gather us among your faithful ones, the people of your covenant, to stand in the light of your glory and listen for the word of the Lord, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS

PRAYERS

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Andrea Johnson

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 2:1-12.....**Karen Ferch**

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking

and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

L: THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

Mark 9:2-9.....Pastor Carolyn

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

MESSAGE....."Shining Love"Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."The Battle Hymn of the Republic" vs. 1, 5.....Everyone Join In

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:

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Foxdale Memory Care: Joe Tollefson

Lakeshore Inn: Liz Corchran, Leona Quast

Latham Place: Lucille Kubista, Elaine Westrum

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Michael Schumacher, Janice Kaupa, Peggy Deno, Millie White, Marlys & Ken Garness, 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

For a period of time, we will not be passing around the microphone for announcements and prayer requests. 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 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!**

Just a reminder - Stacy's anticipated hours for the week will be posted on the "Week at a Glance" page. Although she is making every attempt to keep consistent hours, it is best to call ahead if you need to visit the office.

We will begin Wednesday evening Lent services beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 17th. All services will be at 7:00pm. Of course, like everything else this year, our Lent will look different because of COVID. The imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday will be replaced with a COVID safe alternative. Also, we will not be participating with other churches in our community. I wish this were not the case but pray that next year we will be back to normal. I look forward to our shared journey to the cross. Pastor Carolyn

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

02/14/2021 (Sun.) Happy Valentine's Day!
9:30 am - Worship Service

02/15/2021 (Mon.) President's Day
Newsletter Deadline

02/17/2021 (Wed.) 5:00 pm – Youth Bible Study (Youth Room)
7:00 pm – Ash Wednesday Service

02/21/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am – Worship Service

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Wednesday: 10:15 am to 12:15 pm

Thursday: 1:30 to 3:30 pm

*These are anticipated hours. It is best to call ahead if you need to visit the office.

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