

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1st SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21ST, 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....."As the Deer"Jarod True

CALL TO WORSHIP

As darkness gives way to light
and winter sleep to fresh beginnings,
We come today to be reminded of God's love for us.
Like the green shoots of renewed life,
stirring beneath the soil,
We welcome an awakening of God's word in our lives.
In this time of reflection and repentance,
We affirm our identity, we claim our security,
as children of God.

OPENING PRAYER.....Unison

God of revelation,
unveil your Kingdom in our midst.
Show us who we truly are in you:
expose the illusions that distort our vision,
deliver us from temptations that contort our living,

**open our eyes in this time of trial -
that resistance may be the secret of our joy
and our joy a sign of your shalom. 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

Genesis 9:8-17.....**Mark LaMont**

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Psalm 25:1-10.....Mark LaMont

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.
Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.
Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O Lord!
Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.
All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

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

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

1 Peter 3:18-22.....Pastor Carolyn

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the

resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Mark 1:9-15.....Pastor Carolyn

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

MESSAGE....."Untamed"Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."Shall We Gather at the River" vs. 1, 2.....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, 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

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.

Wednesday evening Lent services will be held each week. All services will be at 7:00pm. Of course, like everything else this year, our Lent will look different because of COVID. 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

Our Sunday services will begin to be broadcast on the local Channel 8 PEG starting this week. The service will air at the following times:

Tuesday - 8:30 am

Thursday - 4:30 pm

Saturday - 6:00 pm

Sunday - 12:30 pm

Please help spread the word to those who are unable to attend in person worship and are not able to access the service via our Facebook and website pages.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

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

02/23/2021 (Tues.) 7:00 pm – Church Council Meeting (**FH)

02/24/2021 (Wed.) 10:00 am - Newsletter Folding (**FH)
5:00 pm – Youth Bible Study (Youth Room)
7:00 pm – Lent Service

02/28/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am – Worship Service

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday: 10:00 am to 12:15 pm

Tuesday: 10:15 am to 12:15 pm

Thursday: 1:30 to 3:30 pm

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