

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
COMMUNION SUNDAY
February 5TH, 2017~9:30 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.*

NEWS OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY/ WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP.....“Majesty, Worship His Majesty”UMH No. 176

PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN OF CELEBRATION....."O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"UMH No. 57,
vs.1-5

RESPONSIVE READING.....**Psalm 112**

L: Those who honor the LORD, who adore God’s commandments, are truly happy!

All: **Their descendants will be strong throughout the land. The offspring of those who do right will be blessed; wealth and riches will be in their houses.**

L: Their righteousness stands forever. They shine in the dark for others who do right. They are merciful, compassionate, and righteous.

All: Those who lend generously are good people as are those who conduct their affairs with justice.

L: Yes, these sorts of people will never be shaken; the righteous will be remembered forever!

All: They won't be frightened at bad news.

L: Their hearts are steady, trusting in the LORD. Their hearts are firm; they aren't afraid. In the end, they will witness their enemies' defeat.

All: They give freely to those in need. Their righteousness stands forever. Their strength increases gloriously.

L: The wicked see all this and fume; they grind their teeth, but disappear to nothing. What the wicked want to see happen comes to nothing!

HYMN OF INVITATION....."One Bread, One Body"UMH No. 620

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

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SUNDAY SCHOOL All children are invited to attend Sunday School at this time. Please go to the back of the sanctuary to meet your teacher.

SCRIPTURE READING.....**Luke 15:1-7**

All the tax collectors and sinners were gathering around Jesus to listen to him. The Pharisees and legal experts were grumbling, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose someone among you had one hundred sheep and lost one of them. Wouldn't he leave the other ninety-nine in the pasture and search for the lost one until he finds it? And when he finds it, he is thrilled and places it on his shoulders. When he arrives home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost sheep.'

In the same way, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who changes both heart and life than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need to change their hearts and lives."

L: This Is The Word Of God For The People Of God.

All: Thanks Be To God.

MESSAGE....."The Relentless Love of God"Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Glory Be to the Father"UMH No. 70

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

* CLOSING HYMN....."Bind Us Together" TFWS No. 2226

*SENDING FORTH.....**John 3:17**

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

EXIT MUSIC

REMEMBER OUR CHURCH & MILITARY 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:

Foxdale: Ann Swenson, Dick Westrum

Colony Court: Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins, Fern Dahnert Papke

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Coda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Bruce & Deb Hering, Peter & Verna Fog, Marilyn & Dan Possin, Lynne Swenson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



YOU'RE INVITED!

Some leaders are elected and others lead by influence. This invitation is for all who desire to see our church move forward and grow numerically and spiritually for years to come.

On Saturday, February 18th from 9:00 A.M. until Noon, we are having a Leadership Retreat at Berts and Roger Walker's home. The purpose of our time together is to 1) review what we have accomplished since 2012 through the HCI process; 2) take stock of where we are currently as a church; and 3) clearly define our vision and purpose as we move forward with our future plans for Faith United Methodist Church.

Come and join us in this process. We will need your RSVP by e-mail or phone call to the church office if you are able to attend. We need a head count so that we will know how many to expect for the light lunch that will be served at the end of our retreat.

Thank You

The family of Dolores Dahnert would like to express our appreciation to all who supported us during our recent time of loss. Your kind words and thoughtful gestures meant more to us than we can express. Special thanks to Pastor Waters, Marlys, and everyone who helped with the luncheon. We appreciate you more than you know.

Jeff and Laura, Jill and John

UMW Executive Meeting will be held on February 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

UMW Unit Meeting will be held on February 20, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Bob Stephan will be on vacation February 16, 2017 through February 23, 2017.

M & M Night!

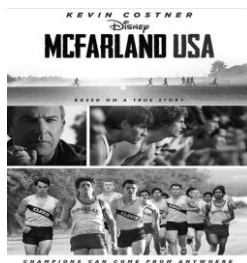


Grilled Cheese and Tomato Soup

Sunday, February 19, 2017

5:00 pm

Free Admission!



Featuring the film

MCFarland USA

This true story follows novice runners who strive to build a cross-country team under Coach Jim White in their predominately Latino high school in MCFarland, California.

Willie Mahler's Memorial Service



February 25th
10-11 Visitation
11-12 Service

Luncheon

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

02/05/2017 (Sun.) 9:15 a.m. - Hymn Sing
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service with Communion
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Fellowship

02/06/2017 (Mon.) 3:00-4:30 p.m.-Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

02/07/2017 (Tues.) 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (**FH)

02/08/2017 (Wed.) 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

02/09/2017 (Thur.) 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (** FH)
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Faith Crafters & Stitchers (**FH)

02/12/2017 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Fellowship
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Youth Group

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall