

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**1st SUNDAY IN LENT**

**FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018~9:30 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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP....."Jesus, Name Above All Names"..... TFWS No. 2071

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

**Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

RESPONSIVE READING.....Psalm 25:1-10

L: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.

**All: Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**

L: 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 the day long.

**All: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

L: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

**All: 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.**

L: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies

ANTHEM ..... “Just a Closer Walk” ..... Faith Choir

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 ..... **Mark 1:14-29; 40-50**

14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

16 Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew, the brother of Simon, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. 20 And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

21 And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. 22 And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. 23 And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, 24 “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” 26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the

unclean spirits, and they obey him.” 28 And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

40 And a leper came to him, imploring him, and kneeling said to him, “If you will, you can make me clean.” 41 Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, “I will; be clean.” 42 And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. 43 And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once, 44 and said to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, for a proof to them.” 45 But he went out and began to talk freely about it, and to spread the news, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town, but was out in desolate places, and people were coming to him from every quarter.

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

**All: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”.....UMH No. 269

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE ..... "With Power" .....Pastor Victor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING..... "Doxology" ..... UMH No. 94

\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

\*CLOSING HYMN..... "God of the Sparrow" ..... UMH No. 122

\*SENDING FORTH.....Romans 15:5-6

*May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## EXIT MUSIC

### **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 Memory & Care Suites:** Ann Swenson

**Colony Court:** Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

**Emmetsburg Care Center:** Peter Fog

**Lakeshore Inn:** Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran

**Latham Place:** Lucille and George Kubista, Elaine Westrum

**Koda Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**Prayer Requests from Sunday:** Don Paulson, Janice Kaupa, the Keller Family, Les Wells, Shirley G., Carey Root.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFIRMATION** Feb. 21st 6:30-7:30 and every 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

**SERMON NOTE OUTLINES** are on the table in the Narthex.

**YOUTH GROUP** TBD

**HAPPY IN GOD: THE LIFE AND WORKS OF JOHN WESLEY** a six week study that begins on **February 26<sup>th</sup> 10 am** in the Lakeview Room. Led by Pastor Victor

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant will be out of the office on **Monday, February 19.**

UMW Unit Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, February 19 at 2:00 p.m.** Due to this meeting, Conversation, Bible & Friends will not meet this Monday.

Lenten Soup Luncheons will be served on Wednesdays at Noon, February 21 through March 21, at the First Congregational Church. Faith United Methodist Church will be hosting the March 21 lunch.

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**Pancake Mix Sunday** is the fourth Sunday of the month. Please bring pancake mix and syrup which will be donated to the Neighborhood Service Center. Thank you for your participation! In December, 135 pounds was donated!

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**Newsletter Folding** - Newsletter folding is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 28 at 10:00 a.m.** in the church office. Newsletter folding will be scheduled the fourth Wednesday of the month at 10:00 a.m., or occasionally the fifth Wednesday depending how the calendar falls. Please join us if you are able.

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If you are cleaning out closets, keep in mind that the Relay for Life Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, May 5. Your donations would be greatly appreciated. If you have questions about donations, please contact Vada Dahnert or Dave Baldini.

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### Lent Services Schedule

Fellowship with dessert & coffee after the services

**February 21 at 7pm** -- First Congregational

**February 28 at 7pm** -- Faith United Methodist

**March 7 at 7pm** -- Waseca Wesleyan

**March 14 at 7pm** -- Faith United Methodist

**March 21 at 7pm** -- First Congregational

**March 28 at 6pm** -- First Congregational

**Passover Seder - RSVP 507-835-4548**

**March 30 (Good Friday)** -- First Congregational

**Tenebrae Candlelight Service 7 - 9pm**

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

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02/18/2018 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

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02/19/2018 (Mon.) **Administrative Assistant Out of Office**  
**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**  
10:30 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (\*\*FH)  
2:00 p.m. - UMW Unit Meeting (\*LV Room)

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02/21/2018 (Wed.) 12:00 p.m. - Lenten Soup Lunch (First Congregational)  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Confirmation Class  
7:00 p.m. - Lent Service (First Congregational)  
7:30 p.m. - Choir Practice

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02/22/2018 (Thur.) 10:30 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (\*\*FH)

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02/23/2018 (Fri.) 10:00 a.m. - Devotion at Colony Court

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02/25/2018 (Sun.) **Pancake Mix Sunday**  
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

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\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall