

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY
February 27th, 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

Mighty Ruler, **Most High**,
Lover of Justice, **Mystery Hidden in Cloud**,
Great King, **Forgiving God**,
Enthroned One, You are exalted over all people.
We praise your great and awesome name,
We worship at your holy mountain. **For you, O God, are holy!**

HYMN....."We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding".....TFWS #2103

UNISON PRAYER

Holy God, bring us to your mountaintop. We come to talk with you today. We come to listen to what you have to say. We come to sense your glory, a glory that can transform our lives. May Jesus, your Son and your chosen one, and may the Spirit of freedom and glory, shine upon us and cause us to shine like the sun. Amen

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

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.

HYMN....."Be Thou My Vision".....UMH #451

PASTORAL PRAYER

To you O Lord we pray
Answer us with mercy

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

Holy are you, O Lord, we praise your great and awesome name. Use us and these, our gifts, in your service, to establish justice, righteousness, and equity, all for the good of your people and the glory of your eternal realm. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING.....Linda Griffin

Exodus 34:29-35 (Living Bible)

Moses didn't realize as he came back down the mountain with the tablets that his face glowed from being in the presence of God. Because of this radiance upon his face, Aaron and the people of Israel were afraid to come near him.

But Moses called them over to him, and Aaron and the leaders of the congregation came and talked with him. Afterwards, all the people came to him, and he gave them the commandments the Lord had given him upon the mountain. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face; but whenever he went into the Tabernacle to speak with the Lord, he removed the veil until he came out again; then he would pass on to the people whatever instructions God had given him, and the people would see his face aglow. Afterwards he would put the veil on again until he returned to speak with God.

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since we know that this new glory will never go away, we can preach with great boldness, and not as Moses did, who put a veil over his face so that the Israelis could not see the glory fade away.

Not only Moses' face was veiled, but his people's minds and understanding were veiled and blinded too. Even now when the Scripture is read it seems as though Jewish hearts and minds are covered by a thick veil, because they cannot see and understand the real meaning of the Scriptures. For this veil of misunderstanding can be removed only by believing in Christ. Yes, even today when they read Moses' writings their hearts are blind and they think that obeying the Ten Commandments is the way to be saved.

But whenever anyone turns to the Lord from his sins, then the veil is taken away. The Lord is the Spirit who gives them life, and where he is there is freedom from trying to be saved by keeping the laws of God. But we Christians have no veil over our faces; we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him.

It is God himself, in his mercy, who has given us this wonderful work of telling his Good News to others, and so we never give up. We do not try to trick people into believing—we are not interested in fooling anyone. We never try to get anyone to believe that the Bible teaches what it doesn't. All such shameful methods we forego. We stand in the presence of God as we speak and so we tell the truth, as all who know us will agree.

THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THANKS BE TO GOD

SCRIPTURE READING.....Pastor Carolyn

Luke 9:28-36

Eight days later he took Peter, James, and John with him into the hills to pray. And as he was praying, his face began to shine, and his clothes became dazzling white and blazed with light. Then two men appeared and began talking with him—Moses and Elijah! They were splendid in appearance, glorious to see; and they were speaking of his death at Jerusalem, to be carried out in accordance with God's plan.

Peter and the others had been very drowsy and had fallen asleep. Now they woke up and saw Jesus covered with brightness and glory, and the two men standing with him. As Moses and Elijah were starting to leave, Peter, all confused and not even knowing what he

was saying, blurted out, “Master, this is wonderful! We’ll put up three shelters—one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah!”

But even as he was saying this, a bright cloud formed above them; and terror gripped them as it covered them. And a voice from the cloud said, “*This* is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to *him*.”

Then, as the voice died away, Jesus was there alone with his disciples. They didn’t tell anyone what they had seen until long afterwards.

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory".....TFWS #2102

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, 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 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. 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

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office on Monday, February 28 and Monday, March 7.

Ash Wednesday service will be held on Wednesday, March 2 at 7:00 pm.

Lenten Lunches will be served on Wednesdays at Noon from March 9 through April 6. All lunches will be served at Grace Lutheran Church, 300 E. Elm Avenue, Waseca.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

02/27/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service
10:00 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship

02/28/2022 (Mon.) ***Administrative Assistant Out of Office***
3:00-4:30 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

03/01/2022 (Tues.) 7:00 pm - Church Council Meeting

03/02/2022 (Wed.) 5:00 pm - Confirmation (Gathering Room)
7:00 pm - Ash Wednesday Service

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

03/06/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion
10:00 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Wednesday: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

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