

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany/"Scout Sunday"
February 9th, 2014~9:30 a.m.

ENTRANCE

*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 to **empower** them to go into the world as partners with God for the healing of the world.*

We welcome children and their families to our worship service. For those who need the use of a nursery, for children ages birth through three yrs old, we have a well-staffed and safe space for your children. It is to the right as you enter the church.

*All attendees please sign our red Friendship Registration Pads.
If you are new to our church, please pick up your free gift in the narthex on your way home.*

GATHERING

WELCOME ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP.... "We Sing Praises to Your Name, O Lord" ...TFWS No. 2037

OPENING PRAYER

L: Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed Him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into His Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

All: Amen

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*All who wish may stand.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red book)

TFWS = The Faith We Sing (thin black book)

Nursery available for Children (Birth - 3 year olds)

HYMN OF PRAISE..... “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” ...UMH No. 57

FIRST GOSPEL LESSON.....John 17: 14-19

I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

ANTHEM....."In Christ Alone" ...Faith Choir

KIDS TIME

(All children Preschool - 6th grade are invited to attend Sunday School at this time)

SECOND GOSPEL LESSON.....Matthew 5:43-48; Luke 17:4-10

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

"If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, ‘I repent,’ forgive him.” The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you.” “Suppose one of you had a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Would he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, ‘Come along now and sit down to eat’? Would he not rather say, ‘Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink’? Would he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.’”

***THIRD GOSPEL LESSON**.....**Luke 14: 2-9; Mark 10: 35-37; 41-45**

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, He was being carefully watched. There in front of him was a man suffering from dropsy. Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?” But they remained silent. So taking hold of the man, he healed him and sent him away. Then He asked them, “If one of you has a son or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day, will you not immediately pull him out?” And they had nothing to say.

When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, He told them this parable: “When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give this man your seat.’ Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, ‘Friend, move up to a better place.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all your fellow guests.

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Then Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.” “What do you want me to do for you?” He asked. They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.” When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John.

Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them.

Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

L: This is the Word of God for the People of God

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

MESSAGE.....“The Paradox of The Gospel” ...Rev. Victor Waters

JOYS AND CONCERNS

LORD’S PRAYER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

SONG OF THANKSGIVING.....“Give Thanks”...TFWS No. 2036

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

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Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE..... "The Servant Song" ...TFWS No. 2222

*SENDING FORTH

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:

Colony Court Memory & Care Suites: Ann Swenson,
Rosalind Peterson, Gerri Peterson

Colony Court: Millie Groh, Ardella Draheim

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Koda Living Community, Owatonna: Elaine Flathers

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken, Don Lohse

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI: Marlene Rietfort

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Those who also need our prayers: Willie Mahler, Jerry Krause

Prayer Request from Sunday Worship: Leona Quast, Harry McClaine, Jerry and Eunice Hanson, Morgan and Justin, Melissa Toot, Roger Dahnert, The Cutteny Family



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Stephan will on vacation from Feb. 9th - 19th.

The Girl Scouts meeting (Kilmer) that was scheduled for February 14th has been moved to Saturday, February 8th from 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

The February Newsletter Deadline is Monday, February 17th at Noon.

Men of Faith will meet on **Thursday, February 13** at **6:30 p.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Our guest will be Toni Larson from the Waseca Area Neighborhood Service Center. She will talk to us about the needy in the Waseca area. Don't miss this important meeting!

Elizabeth Circle will meet **Wednesday, February 19th**, at **3:30 p.m.** in the **Lakeview Room**. Karen Ferch will host with Sherry Scholljegerdes leading devotions. Guests and visitors are welcome.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

2/9/2014 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m. -Blood Pressure Check 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service *Sunday School (Ages 4 years - 6th grade) 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship
2/11/2014 (Tues.)	1:30-2:30 p.m. -Lake Shore Communion 4:00-5:00 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (LV Room)
2/12/2014 (Weds.)	Lincoln's Birthday 10:00-2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away (FH) 3:15-4:15 p.m. -Lake Shore Video 4:30-6:30 p.m. -Quiet Time - A personal time for prayer and reflection . You may stay for 10 min. or an hour - your choice! 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Youth Group at the Parsonage 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice
2/13/2014 (Thurs.)	1:00-3:00 p.m. -Faith Crafters and Stitchers (FH) 6:30-7:30 p.m. -Men of Faith Meeting (FH)
2/14/2014 (Fri.)	St. Valentine's Day 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Set-up for Food @ Faith
2/15/2014 (Sat.)	Food @ Faith 7:00-10:00 a.m. -Food Truck & Set Up 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. -Waseca Food Distribution 12:00 p.m. -1:00 p.m. -Food Program Clean-up
2/16/2014 (Sun.)	9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service *Sunday School (Ages 4 years - 6th grade) 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship 6:30-7:30 p.m. -Confirmation (LV Room)