

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 6th, 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

THE LENTEN CANDLES

LENTEN INTROIT VS. 1

All those who find their protection from God
will find rest and assurance.

All those who love God and call upon God for help
will be answered and rescued.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mark Lamont

Our scripture for this first Sunday in Lent is taken from Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter 10, verses 8-13

But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to

shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

EXTINGUISHING OF THE FIRST LENTEN CANDLE.....Aiden Groskreutz

As we extinguish the first Lenten candle, we recall how we vainly try to save ourselves, believing that we are God. May we be reminded of our shortsightedness so that we may truly believe in the one and only true God who can save us – the One who sent his Son, Jesus Christ – our Redeemer.

UNISON PRAYER

O God, as we are in this time of Lent, remind us of your generous and gracious love for all who believe in you, that all who proclaim “Jesus is Lord” will truly be saved. Amen

LENTEN INTROIT, VS. 2

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

HYMN....."Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"TFWS #2112

PASTORAL PRAYER

Hear our prayer, O God.
Our refuge and fortress, our shelter and shade.

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

DOXOLOGY.....UMH #95

PRAYER

Gracious and Generous God, we are amazed by the good gifts you bestow in abundance. Thank you for food that sustains us on our journey. Thank you for the company of saints to whom we are joined. Thank you for giving us your work to do on earth. We offer back to you a portion of all that we have received, setting down our baskets in celebration of your greatest gift, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mark LaMont

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Psalm 91:1-2,9-16

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust."

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,
no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.
On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.
You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.
When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.
With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

**THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD
THANKS BE TO GOD**

SCRIPTURE READING.....Pastor Carolyn

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you,'

and

'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN....."On Eagle's Wings".....UMH #143, 2x

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.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

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

03/07/2022 (Mon.) **Administrative Assistant Out of Office**
3:00-4:30 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

03/08/2022 (Tues.) 1:00 pm - Ruth Circle (Gathering Room)

03/09/2022 (Wed.) 12:00 pm - Lenten Lunch at Grace Lutheran
5:00 pm - Confirmation (Gathering Room)
7:00 pm - Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

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

03/13/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service
10:00 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

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