

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4th SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 11th, 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....."We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise".....TFWS No. 2031

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son, Jesus Christ, came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that He may live in us, and we in Him; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING....."The Apostles Creed"

L: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

All: And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

L: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM“Walk With Me, Lord”Faith Choir and Nathan Kilmer on Sax



KIDS TIME.....“Put Your Gloves On”

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**John 3**

1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” 3 Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” 4 Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” 5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” 9 Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” 10 Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?

11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

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. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. 21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“Lord, I lift Your Name on High”TFWS No. 2088

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE“He Came By Night”Pastor Victor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

*CLOSING HYMN.....“Just As I am, Without One Plea”UMH No. 357 vs. 1-3

*SENDING FORTH.....Psalm 19:14

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my Redeemer.

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, Millie White, Margaret Hasslen, Janice Kaupa, Carey Root.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION Mar. 28 6 pm @ 1st Congregational the Passover Seder

SERMON NOTE OUTLINES are on the table in the Narthex.

YOUTH GROUP TBD

Hospitality team meeting is scheduled for **Monday, March 12 at 9:30 am** in the Lakeview room. Note the time! Please come and join us for a cup of coffee and a tasty **muffin**. A great opportunity to talk about ways for Faith to be an even more welcoming church.

Come help us make this the Biggest and Best Hospitality meeting ever!

Wyatt's Wish, a benefit for Wyatt Jahr, will be held on Sunday, March 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran School, 501 North Main Street, Janesville, MN. They are in need of donations for the bake sale. If you are interested in donating, please contact Kay at 507-521-0940. For additional information, please see the flyer posted on the bulletin board.

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.

Thanks to everyone for your cards, well wishes, and prayers during my recent surgery. All is good - but a slow process to heal fully. I am back to work, but at a "slow" pace! -- *Bob*

There is a Trustees meeting scheduled for this **Thursday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Lakeview Room.

SHARE A PLANT

Would you like to help add color to the Sanctuary for Easter, April 1, 2018?

If so, you may bring a flowering plant (tulip, lily, azalea, hyacinth, etc.) to the church on Palm Sunday or during the week before Easter on Monday thru Thursday from 9 am to 3 pm.

Please leave the plant on the table or on the floor in the nursery and it will be moved to the Sanctuary on Saturday in time for the Sunrise Service.

If you would like to have the plant given in honor or memory of someone, please attach a note to the plant along with your name as the donor or leave a message or note in the church office.

Thank you for helping to beautify our Sanctuary during this special Season!

The Springtime Sandwich Luncheon will be served here at Faith Church on **Wednesday, April 4**, from **11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.** Menu consists of sloppy joes, egg salad sandwiches, macaroni salad, chips, pickles, assorted cakes, and coffee. Free will donations will be accepted and take-outs available. The public is cordially invited. To be successful, this whole-church event will need and welcome your help. Please watch for clipboards with sign-up sheets and volunteer for work opportunities as well as donations of food ingredients or monetary donations.

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!

Lent Services Schedule

Fellowship with dessert & coffee after the services

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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- 03/11/2018 (Sun.) 9:00 Blood Pressure Check
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship
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- 03/12/2018 (Mon.) 9:30 a.m. - Hospitality Meeting (*LV Room)
10:30 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (**FH)
3:00-4:30 p.m. - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
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- 03/13/2018 (Tues.) 10:00 a.m. - John Wesley Study (*LV Room)
10:30 a.m. - Ruth Circle
1:30 p.m. - Communion at Lakeshore Inn
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- 03/14/2018 (Wed.) 12:00 p.m. - Lenten Soup Lunch (First Congregational)
1:00 p.m. - Communion at Colony Court
6:00 p.m. - Elizabeth Circle (**FH)
6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. - Lent Service (Faith United Methodist)
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- 03/15/2018 (Thur.) 10:30 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (**FH)
6:30 p.m. - Trustee's Meeting (*LV Room)
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- 03/16/2018 (Fri.) 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Set Up for Food @ Faith
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- 03/17/2018 (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 - 1:00 p.m. - Food Program Clean-up
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- 03/18/2017 (Sun.) 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