

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 17, 2024~9:30 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/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift up your heads! Look, listen, reach out a hand. Who are your neighbors on this road?

We lift our heads and look to our Savior who journeys with us and helps us notice our neighbors all around us.

This is the Lenten journey—to learn to love God and love our neighbors just as Jesus showed us.

Our journey teaches us to lose our lives to God as we find and follow Christ in our service to others.

Come, let us worship God with us on this road to the cross.

Come, let us worship! Amen.

HYMN....."Lord, Be Glorified"TFWS #2150

UNISON PRAYER

Lord, we know Easter is coming soon and while we anxiously wait to celebrate your triumphant victory over sin and death, there are still difficult days between now and then. And try as we might, we cannot comprehend love and mercy so great as this. There is nothing perfect about us, yet you beckon us with hands that soon will be scarred by betrayal, greed, selfishness, pride, and apathy. You see us and our imperfections with compassionate and patient eyes as we struggle to rid our lives of all the worldly things that distort, distract, and entangle us. As the cross looms ahead, our eyes and our focus are on you and you alone for our redemption on and salvation. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM.....“Lord, I Know I Been Changed”Faith Choir

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Abundant God, we share our offerings this day with, but we acknowledge that most of the time, we are clinging to what we have, afraid we might lose something we need and afraid somehow there won’t be enough to live our lives. Remind us that Jesus has called us to be ready to let go of this life so that we might claim the abundance of life eternal. In our redeemer’s name, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Janet Welch

Deuteronomy 10:12-13

And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God ask of you but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to observe the LORD’s commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good?

Ephesians 4:11-12

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.

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

HYMN..... “And Are We Yet Alive”UMH #553

SCRIPTURE READING.....Rev. Dong Hun Shin

Mark 10:45

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.”

MESSAGE.....“Becoming the Hands and Feet of the Lord”Rev. Dong Hun Shin

A PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

**Come Holy Spirit, fill our voices with praise, so that all we speak will glorify you.
Come Holy Spirit, give us such faith that we will go wherever you ask us to go.
Come Holy Spirit, help us to be a friend like Jesus.
Come Holy Spirit, warm our hearts, so that as we love our community, they see you.
In the name of Jesus, our Redeemer, we pray. Amen.**

HYMN.....“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”UMH #2671

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

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: Shirley Burdick, Gloria Rollag

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Latham Place: Joe Tollefson

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Tim Dahnert, Ron Dahnert, Gail Sauer, Gloria Rollag, Linda Griffin, Carver Wright, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Janette Larson and family, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, the Ukraine, the Middle East, government officials, health care workers, first responders, those who battle cancer, chronic illness and pain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Dong would like to have an opportunity to get to know all of you better. We have prepared a sign-up sheet with meeting times for small groups. He would like to keep the meetings limited to five to seven couples/families. Please be sure to sign up. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. If you are unable to attend one of the meeting times, please contact Pastor Dong or Stacy to schedule a time.

Wednesday Lenten soup lunches are being served at Christian Assembly church through Wednesday, March 20.

Elizabeth Circle is meeting on Wednesday, March 20 at 2:30 in the Lakeview Room. Guests and visitors are welcome!

The Spring Luncheon is coming up on Wednesday, April 3. Please remember this is an all - church event. We will need a lot of volunteers.

The Community Easter Dinner, sponsored by the Waseca Ministerial Association, will be held on Sunday, March 31st, and will be hosted by Christ the King Lutheran Church, 309 6th Street NE. All are welcome, but reservations need to be made by calling Christ the King at 835-9176, or Greg and Naomi Easton at 835-4748, or emailing: sec.kjenzen.ctlk@gmail.com. Your message must include your name, phone number, how many meals - "dine-in", "take-out", or "home delivery", and address--if meals are to be delivered. Please RSVP by Sunday, March 24th. Dine in and Carry Out at the church will be from 12:00 Noon - 1:30 p.m. on March 31st. Meal Delivery will begin at 11:30 a.m. Carry out and home delivery will be limited to 4 meals/family unit. There is no charge for the meal. Donations are gratefully accepted.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

03/17/2024 (Sun.)	9:30 am - Worship Service 10:30 am - Fellowship
03/18/2024 (Mon.)	Newsletter Deadline 3:00-4:30 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
03/19/2024 (Tue.)	7:00 pm - Leadership Team Meeting (Gathering Room)
03/20/2024 (Wed.)	12:00 pm - Lenten Lunch @ Christian Assembly Church 2:30 pm - Elizabeth Circle (*LV Room) 7:00 pm - Choir Practice (*LV Room)
03/24/2024 (Sun.)	Palm Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service 10:30 am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm

Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00am to 12:30pm

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