

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

5th SUNDAY IN LENT

March 21st, 2020~9:30 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

Jesus said, "When I am lifted up, I will draw all people to myself."

Blessed be the God of our salvation who bears our burdens and for gives our sins.

OPENING PRAYER.....**Unison**

Holy God, by the cross and resurrection of Jesus you lift the suffering world toward hope and transformation and open the way to eternal salvation. As we move ever closer to the passion of Christ, may your law of love be written on our hearts as he draws all people to himself revealing your love for the world. Amen

HYMN....."O Jesus, I have Promised"UMH #396, vs. 1, 2, 4

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS

PRAYERS

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Andrea Johnson

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 51:1-13.....Linda Griffin

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.
Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit

L: THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

Jeremiah 31:31-34.....Pastor Carolyn

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

John 12:20-33.....Pastor Carolyn

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven

out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

MESSAGE....."Spirit Activated".....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."This Is a Day of New Beginnings"UMH #383

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

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Foxdale Memory Care: Elaine Westrum

Lakeshore Inn: Liz Corchran, Leona Quast

Latham Place: Lucille Kubista

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Michael Schumacher, Janice Kaupa, Peggy Deno, Marlys & Ken Garness, Millie White, Michael Norby, Jeff Scholljegerdes, 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!**

Just a reminder - Stacy's anticipated hours for the week will be posted on the "Week at a Glance" page. Although she is making every attempt to keep consistent hours, it is best to call ahead if you need to visit the office.

Wednesday evening Lent services are being held each week. All services are at 7:00pm.

The Community Easter Dinner will be hosted by Christian Assembly on Sunday, April 4 at Noon. The meal will be carry-out and delivery only. Meal pick-up will be at Christian Assembly, 900 14th Ave. SE. RSVP at Christian Assembly by calling 507-833-1082 or email secretary.wcamn@gmail.com before noon on April 1. Be sure to include your name, phone number and address (including apartment number) and how many meals you are ordering. There is no charge for the meal: donations gratefully accepted.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

03/21/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

03/23/2021 (Tues.) 7:00 pm - Church Council Meeting (**FH)

03/24/2021 (Wed.) 7:00 pm – Lent Service

03/28/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am – Palm Sunday Worship Service

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday & Wednesday: 10:15 am to 12:15 pm

Thursday: 1:30 to 3:30 pm

*These are anticipated hours. It is best to call ahead if you need to visit the office.

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