

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**4th SUNDAY OF LENT**

**COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016~9:30 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.....“What Wondrous Love Is This” ...UMH No. 292

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Jesus, the Light of the World bring your light to the dark corners of our hearts and lead us into the light of your day where we will find hope, courage and grace for the future. AMEN.

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE....."Into My Heart" ...TFWS No. 2160

RESPONSIVE READING.....**Psalm 32**

L: 1 Happy is he whose transgression is taken away, whose sin is covered.

**All: 2 Happy is a person to whom Yahweh does not impute iniquity and in whose spirit there is not deceit.**

L: 3 When I kept silent, my bones were worn out due to my groaning all the day. 4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me. My vigor was changed into the dry heat of summer.

**All: 5 I made known my sin to you, and my iniquity I did not cover. I said, "I will confess concerning my transgressions to Yahweh," and you took away the guilt of my sin.**

L: 6 Therefore, let all the faithful pray to you at the time for finding you. Surely at the flood of many waters they will not reach Him.

**All: 7 You are my hiding place; from trouble you preserve me. With cries of deliverance you surround me.**

L: 8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go. I will advise you with my eye upon you. 9 Do not be like a horse or like a mule, without understanding; that needs his tackle—bridle and rein—for restraint or he would not come near you.

**All: 10 Many are the pains of the wicked, but for the one who trusts Yahweh loyal love surrounds him.**

L: 11 Be glad in Yahweh, and rejoice, you righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright of heart.

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

**All: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

ANTHEM....."Worship Tapestry" ...Faith Choir

HYMN OF INVITATION....."Break Thou the Bread of Life" ...UMH No. 599

**SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II**

**Pgs.12-15**

**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.....Luke 6:27-36**

To the person who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other as well, and from the person who takes away your coat, do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your possessions back from the person who takes them away.

Treat others in the same way that you would want them to treat you.

“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to be repaid, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, so that they may be repaid in full.

But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing back. Then, your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because He is kind to ungrateful and evil people. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”

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

**All: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY**

**MESSAGE.....“Behold Now the Kingdom Part II”...Pastor Victor Waters**

**WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING**

**\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Glory Be to the Father"...UMH No. 70**

**\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS**

**\* CLOSING HYMN.....“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”...Vs. 1-2...UMH No. 348**

**\*SENDING FORTH.....2 Corinthians 5:17**

*17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.*

**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

**Colony Court:** Millie Groh, Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

**Lakeshore Inn:** Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken

**Latham Place:** Liz Corchran

**Oaklawn Health Care Center:** Jim Keller, Bill Brooks

**Tower Light, St. Louis Park:** Darlene Lynch

**Those who also need our prayers:** Willie Mahler [Home Hospice]

**Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship:** Bruce and Deb Hering,

Leona Quast, Kookie Kukacka, Peter and Verna Fog, Marilyn Possin, Chuck Youngberg, Brenda and Kipp Westrum, Jim Keller, Bill Brooks, Lynne Swenson, Les Wells, Allison and Parker.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lenten Soup Lunches** Wednesdays at 12:00 noon February 17<sup>th</sup> – March 16<sup>th</sup> all meals will be held at Grace Lutheran Church.



**UMW Ruth Circle** will meet **Tuesday, March 8th at 10:00 a.m.** They will meet at Patrice Waters' residence. This is a permanent time change. They will meet the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

**Aging Mastery Program** starts **April 5, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** at the **Waseca Senior Center**. Cost \$15 for 10 week program. God has given us the gift of longevity, let's be as healthy and productive as we are called to be. Call Kelly Boeddeker at [461-3820](tel:461-3820), Waseca Area Caregiver Services to register. AMP is a grant from the National Council on Aging.

On Saturday afternoon, **April 2nd**, a group of adults and youth will go from Faith Church to **Simpson United Methodist Church** in Minneapolis, to provide a supper meal for the men and women who sleep in the overnight shelter. Around 110 persons will be served. Again this year, the meal will be catered by HyVee and taken to Minneapolis. **A sign-up is available.**

### **SHARE A PLANT!**

Would you like to help decorate the Sanctuary for Easter, March 27th. If so, you may bring a flowering plant (tulip, lily, azalea, hyacinth, etc.) to the church **Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** 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. Thank you.

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## **Lenten Evening Services**

Faith United Methodist, First Congregational and Waseca Wesleyan are again joining together for Wednesday night Lenten services and Maundy Thursday services.

**Services begin at 7:00 pm.**

March 9th, Waseca Wesleyan

March 16th, Faith United Methodist

Thursday, March 24th, Maundy Thursday,  
Waseca Wesleyan

Friday, March 25th, Community Good Friday  
service (TBA)

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

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3/6/2016 (Sun.)	9:15 a.m. -Hymn Sing 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship
3/7/2016 (Mon.)	9:45-10:45 a.m. -Walkers' Lenten Bible Study (*LV Room)
3/8/2016 (Tues.)	10:00-11:00 a.m. -UMW Ruth Circle at Waters' 1:30-2:30 p.m. -Lake Shore Communion 3:00-4:30 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
3/9/2016 (Wed.)	10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away 12:00-1:00 p.m. -Lent Lunch at Grace Lutheran Church 1:00 p.m. -Communion at Colony Court 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice 7:00 p.m. -Lent Service at Waseca Wesleyan
3/10/2016 (Thur.)	1:00-3:00 p.m. -Faith Crafters and Stitchers (**FH)
3/11/2016 (Fri.)	10:00-11:00 a.m. -Worship at Colony Court 6:00-8:00 p.m. -Girl Scouts (Kilmer)
3/13/2016 (Sun.)	Daylight Savings Time Starts 9:00 a.m. -Blood Pressure Check 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Youth Group at the Parsonage

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\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall