

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

EASTER DAY

HE IS RISEN!

March 27th, 2016~9:30 A.M.

ENTRANCE

*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.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: HE IS RISEN!

ALL: HE IS RISEN INDEED!

WELCOME/NEWS OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

***CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP.....**"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"...TFWS No. 2088

PASSING OF THE PEACE

***HYMN OF CELEBRATION:.....**"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"...UMH No. 302 vs.1-4

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

O God, who for our redemption didst give your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by His glorious resurrection hast delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with Him in the joy of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING.....**I Corinthians 15:16-26**

L: If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

All: For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

L: But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ.

All: Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.

L: For He must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

ANTHEM.....“Resurrection Morn” ...Faith Choir

*GOSPEL LESSON.....**Luke 20:24-29**

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

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HYMN OF CELEBRATION“He Lives” ..UMH No. 310

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE.....“Skeptics Make the Best Believers” ...Rev. Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Doxology" ..UMH No.94

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

HYMN OF CELEBRATION.....Up from the Grave He Arose” ..UMH No. 322/
"Christ the Lord Is Risen" ...TFWS No. 2116

SENDING FORTH.....**Jude 1:24-25**

Now to the one who is able to keep you from falling, and to cause you to stand, rejoicing, without blemish before his glorious presence, to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time, and now, and for all eternity. Amen.

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

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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, Dick and Elaine Westrum, the Keller’s.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Hy-Vee and taken to Minneapolis. Cash gifts are needed to underwrite this.

Checks may be placed in the offering made out to Faith UMC with "Simpson Meal" on the memo line. In addition to the catered meal, we need bananas, cookies or bars, and milk. **A sign-up is available in the narthex and on the kitchen counter.** Many thanks for your continued support of this project.

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, Waseca Area Caregiver Services to register. AMP is a grant from the National Council on Aging.

COMING SOON TO THE “CHURCH BY THE LAKE”
“M & M”* Sunday!

An opportunity to feast and fellowship together!

When: 5:30 PM on Sunday, April 24th

What: A light supper of hotdogs, chips, & cookies followed
by the movie:

“God’s Not Dead”

After he refuses to disavow his faith, a devout Christian student must prove the existence of God or else his college philosophy prof will fail him.

Why: It is good to gather with others for fun & food!

Bonus: No Admission Charge
Nursery will be provided

**Be there for the first, biggest and best *Meal and Movie
night ever!**

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

3/27/2016 (Sun.) Easter Sunday
7:00 a.m. -Sunrise Service
7:45 a.m. -Easter Breakfast
9:30 a.m. -Celebration Worship
*No Children's Church Today
10:30 a.m. -Fellowship
No Sunday School or Youth Group today
1:00-7:00 p.m. -Ferch Fellowship Hall Reservation

3/28/2016 (Mon.) Faith Messenger mailed this week

3/29/2016 (Tues.) 3:00-4:30 p.m.- Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

3/30/2016 (Wed.) No Some Time Away today
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. -Spring Luncheon
7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice

3/31/2016 (Thur.) 5:30-8:30 p.m. -Essential Oils Class, Terra Lamont (**FH)

4/1/2016 (Sat.) 4:00-9:00 p.m. -Simpson Meal

04/3/2016 (Sun.) Birthday Sunday
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

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall