

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY

April 2nd, 2023~9:30 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

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief corner stone.

This is the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes.

Line the festival procession with branches. This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

HYMN....."Tell Me the Stories of Jesus".....UMH #277

UNISON PRAYER

Blessed Ones, our hearts sing with the children when we see you ride into Jerusalem on a donkey. Our lips shout your praises, as you empty yourself to become servant of all. Open our hearts to the depth of your love, that we might walk faithfully with you during the long week ahead. Amen

PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

ANTHEM....."Blessed is the King, Hosanna".....Faith Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

God of mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

OFFERING PRAYER

Thank you, O God for coming to us in Christ Jesus. Work through these gifts. That the world might know the breadth of your mercy and your grace. Bless our very lives, that we might be faithful disciples and stewards of your love. With gratitude and joy, we pray. Amen

HYMN....."Hosanna, Loud Hosanna".....UMH #278

SCRIPTURE READING.....Les Wells

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he existed in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be grasped,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,
he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God exalted him even more highly
and gave him the name
that is above every other name,
so that at the name given to Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

This the Word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

SCRIPTURE READING.....Pastor Carolyn

Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

“Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN....."The Bread of Life for All Is Broken"UMH #633

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, Shirley Burdick

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Lakeshore Inn: Leona Quast

Foxdale: Lucille Kubista

Benedictine Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Roger Groskreutz and family, Kara Ecoff, Tim Dahnert, Gail Sauer, Beverly Pippenger, 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

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office on Monday, April 10.

Please note that Sunday School will meet on the third and fifth Sundays in April, April 16 and April 30.

The Greater Ministerial Association Easter Dinner will be held at First Congregational Church on Sunday, April 9 from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm. Dine in, carry out, or delivery (up to 4 meals per household). RSVP by April 5, 2023 by calling First Congregational Church at 835-4548 or Waseca Area Senior Citizens Center at 835-4552. Please leave your name, phone number, and address if requesting delivery.

The Spring Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. We will need helpers for this event. Please sign up to help on the sign-up sheet.

Holy Week Worship Schedule:

Holy Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Good Friday, April 7 at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary.

Sunrise service, April 9 at 7:30 am in the sanctuary.

Easter breakfast, April 9 at 7:45 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Easter worship service, April 9 at 9:30 am in the sanctuary.

Offering envelopes have arrived! We will have them ready to be picked up next Sunday. As a reminder, to save on cost and waste, we ordered less envelopes than usual. If your envelope number is higher than 75, you will receive a new number.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

04/02/2023 (Sun.)	Palm Sunday Birthday Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship
04/03/2023 (Mon.)	3:00-4:30 pm-Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
04/05/2023 (Wed.)	7:00 pm - Choir Practice
04/06/2023 (Thurs.)	10:30 am - Bible Study 7:00 pm - Holy Thursday Service with Communion (**FH)
04/07/2023 (Sat.)	7:00 pm - Good Friday Service
04/09/2023 (Sun.)	Easter Sunday 7:30 am - Sunrise Service 7:45 am - Easter Breakfast 9:30 am - Easter Worship Service

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Wednesday, Thursday: 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

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