

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**APRIL 7, 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

How shall we live when shadows gather?

**Drawn to God's unquenchable light, we are also drawn into one another's presence.**

What was hidden has been revealed; we are woven together with all Creation.

**When we live in the light, as God is in the light, we are one with each other.**

Let us worship God, who is our Light and Salvation. **Amen**

HYMN....."Surely the Presence of the Lord".....UMH #328

UNISON PRAYER

**God of the resurrection, we gather this morning as a community of believers. We come with joy to greet one another and to tell again and again the amazing news: Christ is risen! Love is victorious over death! Forgive our tendency toward separation and division, and remind us that we are your Easter people. You have given us new life in the name of your Son! May our singing, praying, listening, and proclaiming be a testimony to the power of your love to make us a new creation as a community of faith. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM....."Christ Has Risen" .....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.....Unison

**Generous and surprising God, when we thought that death had claimed your only Son, you amazed us with the resurrection. Surprise us again with your ability to turn these humble offerings into gifts that will transform the world through our witness to your love. We lay our very lives at your feet, O God, knowing that you will use us to proclaim and embody the gospel. In the name of our risen Savior, we pray. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING.....Linda Griffin

**Isaiah 55:1-3**

“Come, all you who are thirsty,  
    come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
    come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
    without money and without cost.  
Why spend money on what is not bread,  
    and your labor on what does not satisfy?  
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,  
    and you will delight in the richest of fare.  
Give ear and come to me;  
    listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you,  
my faithful love promised to David.

### **3 John 1:2**

Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.

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

HYMN..... “Grace Alone” .....TFWS #2162

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

### **Matthew 5:48**

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

MESSAGE.....“For a Healthy Life” .....Rev. Dong Hun Shin

### HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Creator God, you revealed to us your Creation on earth.

The waters flowed, and the winds blew.

You set the cosmos into motion and created living beings.

You gave life to the plants and the sea creatures and the land animals.

You put into flight the birds and insects, and you made people to walk on the ground.

You blessed us all and called us good.

But when our love failed and we turned away,

You revealed a love for your people and all of Creation that never ends.

And so we praise you, with all the company of saints and sinners, singing your unending hymn: **Holy, holy, holy God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory Hosannah in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosannah in the highest.**

You continued to reveal your love for us in your son, Jesus, who came to live among us and move as a human on this Earth.

When he dined with his friends, just before he was to be executed, he reminded them of your love revealed in the gifts of bread and juice before them on the table. He took the bread in his hands, gave thanks to you, broke it, and shared it with his friends, saying the familiar words, "Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me." And when the supper was over, he took the cup, again gave thanks for it, and shared it with all who gathered, reminding them, "Drink this all of you. This is the cup of my covenant with you, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Still-creating Spirit, be poured out on those gathered here and on these gifts from the field in bread and juice. As we receive them into our bodies, make us your body. Unite us with those who have come before us in your kingdom and with those who will come after us, now and always. **Amen.**

### PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

**Creative God, we thank you for revealing your love to us in bread and juice. We recognize your presence in us and all around us, and we ask that you continue to reveal your love for all Creation to the ends of the Earth through our lives. Make us your people and use us to reveal the inbreaking of your kingdom here and now: a world of justice and peace. Amen.**

### 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.**

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 and family, 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**

Ruth Circle will be meeting this Tuesday, April 9 at 1:00 pm in the Gathering Room.

UWF Upcoming Events:

April 15 at 10:00 UWF Exec. Board meeting in Gathering Room.

UWF will meet April 22 at 2:00 (note time change) Surprise Speaker! Elizabeth's circle serves. We will be collecting donations for "Prayer and Self-Denial" This year it goes to "Climate Justice". Come One and All!!

If you did not sign up for a meeting time with Pastor Dong and you would like to schedule a meeting time, please contact him or Stacy.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

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04/07/2024 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 am – Fellowship
04/08/2024 (Mon.)	3:00-4:30 pm – Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
04/09/2024 (Tues.)	1:00 pm – Ruth Circle (Gathering Room)
04/10/2024 (Wed.)	7:00 pm – Choir Practice (*LV Room)
04/14/2024 (Sun.)	9:30 am – Worship Service 10:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am - Fellowship

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\*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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