

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 8th, 2018~9:30 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....."Surely the Presence of the Lord"UMH No. 328

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Easter mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING.....Psalm 133

L: How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!

All: For harmony is as precious as the anointing oil that was poured over Aaron's head, that ran down his beard and onto the border of his robe.

L: Harmony is as refreshing as the dew from Mount Hermon that falls on the mountains of Zion. And there the LORD has pronounced his blessing, even life everlasting.

SPECIAL MUSIC "He Touched Me"Jarod True

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 READINGI John 1:1-2:2

We proclaim to you the one who existed from the beginning, whom we have heard and seen. We saw him with our own eyes and touched him with our own hands. He is the Word of life. 2 This one who is life itself was revealed to us, and we have seen him. And now we testify and proclaim to you that he is the one who is eternal life. He was with the Father, and then he was revealed to us. 3 We proclaim to you what we ourselves have actually seen and heard so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. 4 We are writing these things so that you may fully share our joy.

5 This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. 6 So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth. 7 But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. 9 But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. 10 If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts.

My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. 2 He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.

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

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”UMH No. 384

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE "Complete Joy" Pastor Victor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

*CLOSING HYMN..... " Make Me a Servant" TFWS No. 2176

*SENDING FORTH..... 1 John 1:3-4

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EXIT MUSIC

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:

Foxdale[Memory Care]: Ann Swenson

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

Emmetsburg Care Center: Peter Fog

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran

Latham Place: Lucille and George Kubista, Elaine Westrum

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Prayer Requests from Sunday: Don Paulson, Janice Kaupa, Carey Root, Leona Quast, those suffering from memory loss.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION April 18th 6:30-7:30

SERMON NOTE OUTLINES are on the table in the Narthex.

YOUTH GROUP TBD

The Relay for Life/Faith for a Cure Team will be having its annual garage sale on **Saturday, May 5**. If you have any questions or donations for the sale, please contact Vada Dahnert at 833-5477.

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office on Friday, April 13.

Please remember, Pancake Mix Sunday is the fourth Sunday of the month. Please bring pancake mix and syrup which will be donated to the Neighborhood Service Center. Thank you for your participation! In March, 24 pounds was donated.

The UMW Southern Prairie Spring Gathering will be held on **Saturday, April 21** at 1st UMC in New Ulm. Please contact Sandy Voshell by **Tuesday, April 10**. Our local unit pays the registration fee. We will be carpooling.

The new banner over the organ was handmade by Sherry Scholljegerdes in memory of her son Tim.

Rock Party - We will be painting rocks on **Monday, April 16th** from **4:00 until 7:00pm**. A meal will be served at 5:15. Everyone is welcome to attend. Encourage family members or friends. We want to have rocks for this spring. Come and join us. There is lots of laughter and fellowship at our rock parties.

April Fellowship Event - On **April 22nd** we are going to display umbrellas. If you have an umbrella or two or three, please bring them to the church on the 22nd. We would like to see umbrellas of all kinds and all colors. So help us make this the **Biggest and Best** display of umbrellas.

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Faith United Methodist Church of Waseca on **5/23/2018**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979**

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

04/08/2018 (Sun.) 9:00 a.m. - Blood Pressure Check
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

04/09/2018 (Mon.) 10:30 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (**FH)
3:00-4:30 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

04/10/2018 (Tues.) 10:00 a.m. - John Wesley Study (*LV Room)
10:30 a.m. - Ruth Circle
1:30 p.m. - Communion at Lakeshore Inn

04/11/2018 (Wed.) 1:00 p.m. - Communion at Colony Court
7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

04/12/2018 (Thur.) 10:30 a.m. - Tai Ji Quan (**FH)
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Faith Crafters & Stitchers (**FH)

04/13/2018 (Fri.) **Administrative Assistant Out of the Office**
10:00 a.m. - Devotion at Colony Court

04/15/2018 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall