

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2017~9:30 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....."All Hail King Jesus".....TFWS No. 2069

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

**Almighty and ever living God, in your tender love for the human race, you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE....."Crown Him with Many Crowns".....UMH No. 327

RESPONSIVE READING .....**Isaiah 53**

L: Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

**All: For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.**

- L: He was despised and forsaken of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.
- All: Surely our griefs He Himself bore and our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.**
- L: But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed.
- All: All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; but the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.**
- L: He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; like a lamb that is led to slaughter, and like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, so He did not open His mouth.
- All: By oppression and judgment He was taken away; and as for His generation, who considered that He was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of my people, to whom the stroke was due?**
- L: His grave was assigned with wicked men, yet He was with a rich man in His death, because He had done no violence, nor was there any deceit in His mouth.
- All: But the LORD was pleased to crush Him, putting Him to grief; if He would render Himself as a guilt offering, He will see His offspring, He will prolong His days, and the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.**
- L: As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see it and be satisfied; by His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, as He will bear their iniquities.
- All: Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great, and He will divide the booty with the strong; because He poured out Himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He Himself bore the sin of many, and interceded for the transgressors.**

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



KID'S TIME....."A 'Rock' Concert".....

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 .....**Matthew 25:1-13**

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were prudent. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps. Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the prudent, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the prudent answered, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut. Later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.' But he answered, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.' Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour."

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....."Keep Watch".....Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Give Thanks" .....TFWS No. 2036

\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

\*CLOSING HYMN....."Great Is Thy Faithfulness" .....UMH No. 140

\*SENDING FORTH..... *Matthew 25: 13*

*“Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.”*

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:**

**Colony Court Memory & Care Suites:** Ann Swenson, Dick Westrum

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

**Lakeshore Inn:** Florence Gutknecht

**Latham Place:** Liz Corchran, Lucille and George Kubista

**Oaklawn Health Care Center:** Jim Keller

**Koda Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship** Bruce & Deb Herring, Peter & Verna Fog, Marilyn & Dan Possin, Lynne Swenson, Marie Wells, Leona Quast, Steve LaMont .

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The flowers on the Altar are in honor of James and Marian Keller's 50th wedding anniversary. Their children are hosting an open house **today, April 9, 2017** from **2:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at the **Waseca American Legion, 700 South State Street, Waseca, MN.** You are invited to celebrate this milestone with them. No gifts please. Your presence at the celebration is enough of a gift.

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A Youth Mission Trip meeting will be held **today, April, 9,** after worship in the Lakeview Room.

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## ***LENTEN SERVICES***

April 13, Maundy Thursday, **7:00 p.m.** at Waseca Wesleyan  
April 14, Good Friday Service, **7:00 p.m.** at Faith United Methodist

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## **SHARE A PLANT**

Would you like to help decorate the Sanctuary for Easter, April 16th? If so, you may bring a flowering plant (tulip, lily, azalea, hyacinth, etc.) to the church **Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m to 3:00 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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KJLY's "A Day for Women" presents...  
**"A Confident Heart!"**  
"I can do all this through HIM who gives me strength"  
Philippians 4:13

Registration opens March 12!

Featuring...  
**Renee Swepe**  
LEADING WOMEN TO LIVE CONFIDENTLY IN CHRIST

Speaking to us from her book "A Confident Heart"

Leading us in worship  
Mankato's own  
**Jiltuan Jones**

Special Speaker...  
**Tina Harvoldson**  
- Amboy, MN

Hosanna Lutheran Church  
106 Hosanna Drive  
Mankato, MN

Saturday, April 22  
8:45AM to 4PM  
Doors open at 7:45

Registration opens March 12! Register online at our website: [KinshipRadio.org](http://KinshipRadio.org) or call: 507-526-3233

All Day...  
**\$30**

This event is just for YOU! You will experience much laughter, some tears and especially fellowship with other wonderful ladies. If you are interested, call Linda Lohse (835-1917) or register online at the website address above. There will be car-pooling from Waseca.

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Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will have the following schedule changes in April:

April 14 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.      April 17 - 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.  
April 19 - 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

04/09/2017 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30-11:30 a.m.-Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. - Youth Mission Trip Meeting (\*LV Room)

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04/10/2017 (Mon.) 9:45 - 11:00 a.m. - Lenten Bible Study (\* LV Room)  
3:00-4:30 p.m.-Conversation, Bible & Friends (\*LV Room)

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04/11/2017 (Tues.) 10:30 a.m. - Ruth Circle

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04/12/2017 (Wed.) 7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

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04/13/2017 (Thur.) 7:00 p.m.-Maundy Thursday Worship, Waseca Wesleyan

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04/14/2017 (Fri.) 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Administrative Assistant Hours  
10:00 a.m. - Devotion at Colony Court  
3:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Set up for Food at Faith  
7:00 p.m. - Good Friday Service at Faith United Methodist

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04/15/2017 (Sat.) 7:00 - 10:00 a.m. - Set up for Food at Faith  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Food Distribution  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Food Program clean up

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04/16/2017 (Sun.) Easter Sunday  
7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service  
7:45 a.m. - Easter Breakfast  
9:30 a.m. - Easter Celebration Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship  
12:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Ferch Family (FH)

\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall

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