

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
EASTER SUNDAY
April 20, 2025~9:30 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

Beloved, Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Our Savior is risen!

Our Savior is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Steadfast Love is risen!

Steadfast Love is risen indeed! Alleluia!

This is the day that God has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad! Alleluia!

HYMN.....“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”UMH #302, vs. 1-4

UNISON PRAYER

Lord Jesus, today we come celebrating that victory is ours today. We come, rejoicing that sin and evil did not get the last word. We praise you, and we thank you for being a loving, patient God and for sending us Jesus Christ! Thank you for giving the Good News of your Son’s resurrection. Today, we put Mary’s proclamation in our hearts. May our tears turn into laughter as we hold fast to the Easter knowledge that in Christ, all things are possible, if we will only believe. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE *Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.*

ANTHEM..... “Hallelujah! Resurrection Day”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

Mighty God of Resurrection and Redemption, we offer our hands and feet and voices to take the celebration out of this place into a world that needs hope. May we go into the world with such energy, excitement, and power that the ground shakes once again, and that people see in us your redeeming love. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mary Stauffer

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

Let Israel say:
“His love endures forever.”

The LORD is my strength and my defense;
he has become my salvation.

Shouts of joy and victory
resound in the tents of the righteous:
“The LORD’s right hand has done mighty things!

The LORD's right hand is lifted high;
the LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"
I will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the LORD has done.
The LORD has chastened me severely,
but he has not given me over to death.
Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.
This is the gate of the LORD
through which the righteous may enter.
I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
the LORD has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
The LORD has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad.

Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' " Then they remembered his words.

When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

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

HYMN.....“In the Garden”UMH #314

MESSAGE.....“Steadfast Love: Christ is Risen”Rev. Dong Hun Shin

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.**

HYMN.....“Up From the Grave He Arose”UMH #322

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: Margaret Dahnert

Lakeshore Inn: Peggy Deno, Sandy Voshell

Latham Place: Joe Tollefson, Wally Ruedy

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Tim Dahnert, Ron Dahnert, Gail Sauer, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, April Lupas, Dennis Dahnert, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Anna Born, Barb Klampe, Sandy Voshell, Lori Schneidewind, Stuart Kuyper, Bob Larson, Darla Dahnert, the Ukraine, the Middle East, government officials, health care workers, first responders, those who battle cancer, chronic illness and pain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be sure to sign the red attendance pads at the ends of the pews.

We are still looking for volunteers to serve on the Worship Team. This team would meet periodically with Pastor Dong to assist him in exploring ideas to enhance our worship services and share ideas for special worship services. If you have some ideas and would like to be part of this team, please contact the church office or let a Leadership Team member know.

Our annual Springtime Sandwich Luncheon will be held this **Wednesday, April 23, 11:00am to 1:00pm**. This event takes a large amount of work/people-power. Sign-up sheets are available; please consider how you can be a part of this very important way to reach out to our community. Many hands make light work! We would also appreciate cash donations that will be used to purchase ingredients.

Please note that on Wednesday, April 23, Stacy will be in the office from 9:30am to 10:30am. She will be helping with the luncheon after that time.

Tomorrow, Monday, April 21 is the newsletter deadline. If you have something to include in the newsletter, please submit it to Stacy. Articles are always welcome for the newsletter and can be submitted at any time. If articles are submitted after the deadline, they may be held for a future newsletter.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

04/20/2025 (Sun.)	Easter Sunday 7:00am – Sunrise Service 7:30am – Easter Breakfast 9:30am – Easter Celebration Worship Service
04/21/2025 (Mon.)	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
04/22/2025 (Tues.)	7:00pm – Leadership Team Meeting (Gathering Room)
04/23/2025 (Wed.)	11:00am – 1:00pm – Spring Luncheon 7:00pm – Choir Practice (*LV Room)
04/27/2025 (Sun.)	Pancake Sunday 9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday & Thursday 9:30am to 1:00pm
Wednesday 9:30 to 10:30am

Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am to 12:30pm

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