

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26th, 2015~9:30 a.m.

ENTRANCE

*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

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP....."Father, I Adore You"...TFWS No. 2038 vs. 1-2

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

1 John 1:5 *This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.*

HYMN OF CELEBRATION:....."The Servant Song"...TFWS No. 2222

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, the faith; Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; To be understood, as to understand; To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING.....**PSALM 23**

L: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

All: He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters;

L: He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for His name's sake.

All: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

ANTHEM.....“Stand Up!” ..Faith Choir

KID’S TIME.....“Clean Up Your Room!”

SUNDAY SCHOOL (All children ages 4-6th grade are invited to attend our Sunday School at this time. Please go to the back of the sanctuary to meet your teacher.)

***EPISTLE LESSON**.....**1 JOHN 3:11-24**

For this is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We must not be like Cain who was from the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. Do not be astonished, brothers and sisters, that the world hates you.

We know that we have passed from death to life because we love one another. Whoever does not love abides in death. All who hate a brother or sister are murderers, and you know that murderers do not have eternal life abiding in them.

We know love by this, that He laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before Him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and He knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from Him whatever we ask, because we obey His commandments and do what pleases Him. And this is His commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as He has commanded us.

All who obey His commandments abide in Him, and He abides in them. And by this we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit that He has given us.

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

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“People Need the Lord” ...TFWS No. 2244

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE.....”When I Love You is Not Enough” ...Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

* CLOSING HYMN... “They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love”...TFWS No. 2223

SENDING FORTH.....

Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

EXIT MUSIC

REMEMBER OUR CHURCH & MILITARY 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,
Rosalind Peterson, Gerri Peterson

Colony Court: Millie Groh , Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg,
Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins, Paul Krause

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken, Don Lohse

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI: Marlene Rietfort

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Those who also need our prayers: Willie Mahler[Home Hospice]

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Bruce and Deb Hering, Leona Quast, Dave and Joann Eggness, Kookie Kukacka, Deloris Asmus, Peter Fog, Jim Keller, Floyd Lamont, Marilyn, Marlin Olson (Patrice's Dad), Paul Krause.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Gardens: Spring is here and it is time to begin making plans for planting the church gardens. If you would like to contribute to the purchase of the bedding plants; your donation is appreciated. You may put your donation in an envelope marked "church garden bedding plants" and put it in the offering plate. Thank you for your support! *Clair Voshell*

For **The Relay for Life Garage Sale**, we want to thank all of you for your donations you give to our sale. Our Church Family donates a lot and we are very grateful to all of you. Our needs this year are for: furniture, pictures, lamps, clothing, jewelry, anything you don't need or want we can get to someone who can use it. Thank you and remember all the donations go right to cancer. Don't forget we also have a bake sale if you would like to donate baking items. We will pick up anything you need, please call Dave Baldini at 835-3697 or Vada Dahnert at 833-5477.

May 7th (Thursday) 8:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Ladies Sew-In

Leslee Jaeger, M.D. is coming down to teach us how to make **feminine hygiene kits**. We will spend the day cutting, assembling, and sewing. These kits will be given to school girls in Haiti. Leslee is on our medical team that goes to Haiti. We need 25 women for this project. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up with Sherry by calling 835-4304 or the church. You don't need to sew to participate. A bonus is, we can enter our project in the UMW Challenge of sharing projects that UMW Women are doing.

Church Family: Thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent in honor of Rodger's memorial. He loved his Church and his Church Family. He would be very proud. Thank you so much, Vada and Family

Powerful Tools for Caregivers will be running from **April 21st through May 19th** from **6:30-8:00 p.m.** at the **Waseca Public Library**. Learn how to thrive instead of just survive while caring for a loved one. It costs \$10.00 total. Please contact Kelly Adams at 461-3820.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

4/26/2015 (Sun.)	Pancake Mix Sunday 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service *Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship
4/27/2015 (Mon.)	Faith Messenger Mailed this week
4/28/2015 (Tues.)	3:30-5:00 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
4/29/2015 (Wed.)	10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away (**FH) 3:15-4:15 p.m. -Lake Shore Video 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice
4/30/2015 (Thur.)	Relay for Life-Set up (**FH)
5/1/2015 (Fri.)	Relay for Life Set-up continues (**FH)/Office Closed
5/2/2015 (Sat.)	8:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m. -Relay for Life Rummage Sale (**FH)
5/3/2015 (Sun.)	9:15 a.m. -Hymn Sing 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service *Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship
5/5/2015 (Tues.)	10:00 a.m. -Pastor Victor at Colony Court Memory Care 3:30-5:00 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
5/6/2015 (Wed.)	10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away (**FH) 3:15-4:15 p.m. -Lake Shore Video 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Youth Group at the Parsonage 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice

*Lakeview Room

**Fellowship Hall