

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 28, 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

We have been saved by the Risen Christ, the life-giving Vine.

We abide in Love, the life-giving Vine.

We are branches of the Vine-sustained and nurtured by Love.

We have no life apart from Love, the life-giving Vine.

When we make our home in the Vine, and the Vine makes a home in us, we bear the fruit of Love.

We produce the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine.

Easter people, how shall we bear the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine?

We will love and learn to love as we rest, play, work, and build community with God and one another. Amen.

HYMN....."Love Divine, All Loves Excelling".....UMH #384

UNISON PRAYER

God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Surround us and strengthen us with your perfect love, even in the face of our imperfections. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. Strengthen us that we may grow into your likeness with courage

and conviction. Live in us, that we may live in you, and live as your abiding presence in the world. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN

PASSING THE PEACE

Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

ANTHEM.....“Love Lifted Me”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 God, may the gifts we return to you cause your name to be celebrated among the nations. May the lives that we live cause your name to be celebrated in all generations. May our offerings be signs of our praise to you, forever and ever. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Les Wells

Psalm 139:13-16

For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.
I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.
My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,

when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
Your eyes saw my unformed body;
all the days ordained for me were written in your book
before one of them came to be.

Genesis 37:1-11

Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan.

This is the account of Jacob's family line.

Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more. He said to them, "Listen to this dream I had: We were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it."

His brothers said to him, "Do you intend to reign over us? Will you actually rule us?" And they hated him all the more because of his dream and what he had said.

Then he had another dream, and he told it to his brothers. "Listen," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun and moon and eleven stars were bowing down to me."

When he told his father as well as his brothers, his father rebuked him and said, "What is this dream you had? Will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow down to the ground before you?" His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind.

THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD!

THANKS BE TO GOD!

HYMN....."My Jesus, I Love Thee"UMH #172

John 15:16-19

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.

“If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.

MESSAGE.....“Hold On to God’s Vision”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.....“Bind Us Together”TFWS #2226

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Beloved children of God, love one another well.

We will abide in Christ’s generous love.

Be born in the Spirit of grace.

We will live in the fullness of hope.

Grow into branches bearing the fruit of love: peace, joy, hope, faith.

We will remember that the greatest harvest is the harvest of love.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.

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, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, the Torres family, 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 end of the pews.

Sunday school will meet today and May 12 and 19. Sunday school will not meet during the summer months.

Volunteers still needed!

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to sign up to volunteer in the areas of communion steward, liturgist or usher. Please consider serving in one of these areas. We would like to add just a few volunteers to each area so that volunteers can have more time between their rotations. We can work with your schedule if there are some months that you are unable to serve.

For liturgist and usher, you would not be scheduled until after June 30. For communion steward we do have a schedule through the end of the year but we are looking for volunteers for August and December and to be on the rotation for next year.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

04/28/2024 (Sun.)	Pancake Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service 10:00 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Fellowship
04/29/2024 (Mon.)	3:00 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
05/01/2024 (Wed.)	7:00 pm - Choir Practice (*LV Room)
05/05/2024 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship

*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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