

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021~9:30 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/WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Testify to the goodness of God.

**Sing praise to God.**

Testify to the love of Christ.

**Sing praise to Christ.**

Testify to the presence of the Holy Spirit.

**Sing praise to the Spirit.**

HYMN....."Open My Eyes, That I May See" .....UMH #454

UNISON PRAYER

**Wind of God, present since before creation, fall on us now. Whisper to us. Shout to us. Comfort and guide us. Alight on us anew and revive our own spirits to love and serve. Amen.**

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Merciful shepherd, give us the grace to love as you love. Give us the courage to protect and care for others, even when we are afraid. Grant us the strength to love in truth and action, even when loving this way challenges us. Awaken our curiosity and empathy, even when we tend to neglect the needs of others. Forgive us when our love is absent and show us how to offer our love with more than just words. Shepherd us in our loving and in our living, that others may see I us the fruit of your goodness and mercy. In your love and grace we pray. Amen

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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Barb Klampe

SCRIPTURE READING

**John 15:25-27, 16: 4b-15**.....Janet Welch

“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his

own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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

Acts 2:1-21.....Pastor Carolyn

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

MESSAGE....."Pentecost" .....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."My Hope Is Built" .....UMH #368

BENEDICTION

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:** Joe Tollefson

**Janesville Nursing Home:** Nina Youngberg

**Foxdale Memory Care:** Elaine Westrum

**Lakeshore Inn:** Liz Corchran, Leona Quast

**Latham Place:** Lucille Kubista

**Koda Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna:** Ardella Draheim

**Prayer Requests for Sunday:** Michael Schumacher, Janice Kaupa, Marlys & Ken Garness, Stacy True and her family, Millie White, government officials, health care workers, first responders, and those who are at risk and most vulnerable to Covid-19, those who battle chronic illness and pain.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement or prayer request you would like to have shared at Sunday service, please email the church office at [faithwaseca@gmail.com](mailto:faithwaseca@gmail.com) by Thursday. If you would like your announcement printed in the bulletin, please e-mail the announcement by Wednesday. If you do not have access to email, you may call the church office at 835-3167. **We also want to hear any joys you have so please email or call the church with any that you would like to share!**

Just a reminder - Stacy's anticipated hours for the week will be posted on the "Week at a Glance" page. Hours may vary. It is best to call ahead if you need to visit the office.

### UMW News:

**Southern Prairie District Day Apart is Tuesday, June 15 in person at Oakwood UMW in New Ulm beginning at 10:00 am.**

Our Spiritual Leader will be Kim Harris, Deaconess. She will base the day on Acts 17: Anchored in Faith, Adrift in Fear, Ashore in Hope. The District Day Apart will help us deepen our connection to the work and community of UMW. Cost is \$12.00. **Register by June 8** with Renee Ubl, 905 North Broadway, New Ulm, MN 56073; email [rubl@comcast.net](mailto:rubl@comcast.net) or call 507-354-2233. (Info on page 7 of Spring Outreach).

### **Mission u 2021 will offer three studies this summer via Zoom**

See information and register online at [www.mnconfumw.com](http://www.mnconfumw.com) under Mission u. Cost is \$25 per study, or \$60 for all three studies. You may take a course online by yourself or in a group, but everyone needs to be registered. Scholarships are available for registraton/books.

- **June 11 - 13 Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools.** Study Leaders: Emily Jones (UMW Executive for Racial Justice) and Dr. Lorraine Mayfield-Brown from Seminole, FL.
- **July 16-18 Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom.** Study leader: Amanda Meisenheimer.
- **August 6-8 Finding Peace in an Anxious World.** Study Leader: Marion Hansen, North Star Dist. Pres.

### **Graduation Sunday**

*"For surely I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord, "plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope" Jeremiah 29:11*

The congregation of Faith UMC will be celebrating our graduating high school seniors on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> during worship. We will follow worship with a time of outdoor fellowship. Please join us as we celebrate Devin, Aaron, Troy and Samantha.

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...**

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05/23/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

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05/24/2021 (Mon.) 3:00-4:30 pm – Conversation, Bible & Friends (\*LV Room)

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05/25/2021 (Tues.) 7:00 pm - Church Council Meeting (\*\*FH)

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05/27/2021 (Thur.) 10:00 am - Newsletter Folding (\*\*FH)

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05/30/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am – Worship Service

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\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall

**Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:**

Monday: 10:30am to 12:30 pm

Wednesday: 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Thursday: 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

\*These are anticipated hours. It is best to call ahead if you need to visit the office.

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