

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 5, 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 come with joy to this celebration of God's love!

Open our hearts, Lord, to receive your love.

We come with hope to this witness to God's power!

Challenge and encourage our spirits to serve you, Lord.

We come with a willingness to proclaim God's presence to all.

We thank God for this invitation to worship, witness and serve. AMEN

HYMN....."Spirit of the Living God".....UMH #393

UNISON PRAYER

Loving God, we praise and bless you for your mighty acts of creation. As we gather here this day, we hear your message of power and love. In his words of hope, Jesus prepared his disciples to be witnesses. We have heard these words before, but far too often, we have turned our backs to this message. Help us to face our weakness and your forgiving grace. Heal us of our sins, and place us again on the paths of peace. God has remembered God's steadfast love to all the people. We are healed and called again to be God's beloved children. Receive that healing love and share the good news with all you meet, that God is love and in God there is no darkness. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN.

PASSING THE PEACE

Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

ANTHEM.....“Sing and Shout the Victory”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

God of joy, we offer our gifts this day, as we reflect on the wisdom of your Word. Help us abide in him through love, obeying his commandment to love one another. In acts of service, healing, and selfless generosity, may our joy be sustained, a shared and everlasting gift from the source of all joy. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Karen Ferch

1 Samuel 22:1-2

David left Gath and escaped to the cave of Adullam. When his brothers and his father’s household heard about it, they went down to him there. All those who were in distress or in debt or discontented gathered around him, and he became their commander. About four hundred men were with him.

1 Corinthians 1:27

But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong.

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

THANKS BE TO GOD!

HYMN.....“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”UMH #139, vs. 1, 2, 5

SCRIPTURE READING.....Rev. Dong Hun Shin

John 15:15-16

I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 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.

MESSAGE.....“Finding Hope Against the Odds”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.**

HOLY COMMUNION.....UMH, pg. 9-11

HYMN.....“The Summons”TFWS #2130, vs. 1, 2, 5

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: 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 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 November but are looking for volunteers for December and to be on the rotation for next year.

Please note that Pastor Dong will be on vacation with his family to South Korea May 18 through June 2. Please keep him and his family in your prayers for safe travels.

Due to Pastor Dong's vacation, we will have communion the second Sunday, June 9, rather than the first Sunday of June.

On Sunday, June 9, we will be having a potluck following worship service to welcome Pastor Dong and his family into the church. We will also celebrate the graduation of his son, Daniel, during this time.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

05/05/2024 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship
05/06/2024 (Mon.)	3:00 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
05/08/2024 (Wed.)	7:00 pm - Choir Practice (*LV Room)
05/12/2024 (Sun.)	Mother's Day 9:30 am - Worship Service 10:00 am - Sunday School 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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