

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

MOTHER'S DAY 2016

May 8th, 2016~9:30 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.*

NEWS OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY/ WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP....."He Is Exalted" ...TFWS No. 2070

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

O God, who hast prepared for those who love you such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE....."All Hail King Jesus" ...TFWS No. 2069

CONFESSION OF FAITH....."**THE JESUS CREED**" ...By Brian McLaren

L: We have confidence in Jesus, who healed the sick, the blind, and the paralyzed. And even raised the dead.

All: He cast out evil powers and Confronted corrupt leaders. He cleansed the temple. He favored the poor. He turned water into wine, walked on water, calmed storms.

L: He died for the sins of the world, rose from the dead, and ascended to the Father, sent the Holy Spirit.

All: We have confidence in Jesus, who taught in word and example, sign and wonder. He preached parables of the kingdom of God on hillsides, from boats, in the temple, in homes, At banquets and parties, along the road, on beaches, in towns, By day and by night.

L: He taught the way of love for God and neighbor, for stranger and enemy, for outcast and alien.

All: We have confidence in Jesus, Who called disciples, led them, gave them new names and new purpose And sent them out to preach good news.

L: He washed their feet as a servant. He walked with them, ate with them, called them friends, rebuked them, encouraged them, promised to leave and then return, and promised to be with them always.

All: He taught them to pray. He rose early to pray, stole away to desolate places, fasted and faced agonizing temptations, wept in a garden, and prayed, "Not my will but your will be done." He rejoiced, he sang, he feasted, he wept.

L: We have confidence in Jesus, so we follow Him, learn His ways, Seek to obey His teaching and live by His example. We walk with Him, walk in Him, abide in Him, as a branch in a vine.

All: We have not seen him, but we love him. His words are to us words of life eternal, and to know him is to know the true and living God.

L: We do not see him now, but we have confidence in Jesus.

All: Amen.

ANTHEM....."There Is a Higher Throne" ...Faith Choir

KID'S TIME....."Nap Time"

SUNDAY SCHOOL All children are invited to attend Sunday School at this time. Please go to the back of the sanctuary to meet your teacher.

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....HEBREWS 5
Every high priest, you see, is chosen from among human beings, and is placed before God on their behalf, so that he can offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to sympathize with people who don't know very much, or who wander off in different directions, since he too has his own share of weakness.

That's why he has to offer sacrifices in relation to his own sins as well as those of the people. Nobody takes the office of priesthood on himself; you have to be called by God, just as Aaron was.

In the same way, the Messiah didn't exalt himself so that he might become a high priest. The one who put him forward was the one who said to him, you are my son; today I have become your father, as he says in another passage, you are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.

During the time of Jesus' earthly life, He offered up prayers and supplications, with loud shouts and tears, to the one who was able to save Him from death. He was heard because of his devotion. Although He was a son, He learned the nature of obedience through what He suffered. When He had been made complete and perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him, since He has been designated by God as a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

I have plenty to say about all this; but it may be hard to make it clear, because your capacity to take things in has become sluggish. Yes: by now you really should have become teachers, but you need someone to teach you the basic elementary beginnings of God's oracles. You need milk, not solid food! Everyone who drinks milk, you see, is unskilled in the word of God's justice; such people are just babies. Mature people need solid food—and by 'mature' I mean people whose faculties have been trained, by experience, to distinguish good from evil.

This is the word of God for the People of God.

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

HYMN OF PRAISE..... "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" ...UMH No. 277

MESSAGE..... "Let's Grow Up" ...Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

* CLOSING HYMN.....“Bind Us Together” ...TFWS No. 2226

*SENDING FORTH..... Hebrews 5:12

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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, Dick Westrum

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Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller, Bill Brooks

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, Marilyn and Dan Possin, Chuck Youngberg, Lynne Swenson, Marie Wells, the Westrum family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Youth Lock-in will be held at Faith UMC from **7:00 p.m., Friday, May 13** to **10:00 a.m., May 14th.**

Walking Club is on **Mondays**, promptly at 9:30 a.m. We will meet at the upper parking lot. We will also be meeting Thursday at 6:30 p.m. We will be doing this throughout the summer. If anyone is interested you are welcome to come.

The **UMW Executive Meeting** is on **Monday, May 9th**, from **1:00-3:30 p.m.** in the **Lakeview Room.**

Celebrate with the Graduates

On **Sunday, May 15** we will celebrate our two high school graduates, Clayton Tanner and Eliot Waters. During the worship service we will pray God's blessings over them. Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall after the service for cake and punch. Congratulations Graduates!

Also, welcome **new members** Michelle, Travis, Tyler and Cody Hyatt. They come to us by transfer from Evangelical UMC.

On **May 22nd**:

We will celebrate the **baptism** of Parker Thomas Prange, the son of Alison Kluntz and Dylan Prange and the great-grandson of Barb Klampe

On **Sunday, May 29th**, **Rev. Fred Vanderwerf** our Southern Prairie District Superintendent will be our **guest preacher**.

The **Relay for Life/Faith for a Cure Team** will be having its annual garage sale on **Sunday, May 7** from **8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the **church Fellowship Hall**. You can deliver your donations starting Wednesday, May 4. We will be receiving items each afternoon at 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. **Do not leave items at the church without someone from the team being there.** We have the right to refuse items that do not sell easily. We will accept furniture that is in good condition, but remember if it does not sell we will be asking the person donating it to please pick it up and take it back to their house. Last year too many things were dropped off that we could not sell and we had to dispose of. If you cannot come during our receiving hours, please contact Vada Dahnert or Sue Baldini to make arrangements to meet you at the church. We will also take baked goods for a bake sale and we at Faith United Methodist Church have the best cooks in the county (maybe even the state). All items are very much appreciated. Thank you.

The Relay for Life/Faith for a Cure Team will be working at the **Pizza Ranch** again this year. We will be there on **Monday, May 23** from **5:00 to 8:00** p.m. Come for good food, good company and fast hard workers. We all love serving and waiting on you. All donations and proceeds go to the Relay for Life – American Cancer Society. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

5/8/2016 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m.-Blood Pressure Check 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m.-Fellowship 12:00-4:00 p.m.-Draheim Family Gathering (**FH)
5/9/2016 (Mon.)	1:00-3:30 p.m.-UMW Executive Board Meeting (*LV Room)
5/10/2016 (Tues.)	7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.-Making Diapers (**FH) 10:30-11:30 a.m.-UMW Ruth Circle 1:30-2:30 p.m.-Lake Shore Communion 3:00-4:30 p.m.-Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
5/11/2016 (Wed.)	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.-Some Time Away (**FH) 1:00 p.m.-Communion at Colony Court 7:00-8:00 p.m.-Choir Practice
5/12/2016 (Thur.)	1:00-3:00 p.m.-Faith Crafters and Stitchers (**FH)
5/13/2016 (Fri.)	10:00-11:00 a.m.-Worship at Colony Court 6:00 p.m.-10:00 a.m.-Youth Group Lock-In
5/14/2016 (Sat.)	10:00 a.m.-Lock-In ends 1:00-5:30 p.m.-Slattery Bridal Shower (**FH)
5/15/2016 (Sun.)	9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service/Hyatts join 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m.-Fellowship 2:00-3:00 p.m.-Klampe Piano Recital (**FH)

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall