

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Tenth Sunday after the Pentecost

July 24th, 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

WELCOME OUR NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Pam Schabert comes to this congregation as an Associate Member from Waseca Christian Assembly. Be sure to greeter her after the service.

Associate Members are people who have been baptized by water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in another Christian denomination, wish to connect with a local United Methodist Church, but wish to retain their current denominational affiliation rather than become professing members of The United Methodist Church.

* CALL TO WORSHIP....."How Majestic Is Your Name " ...TFWS No. 2023

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING PRAYER.....**PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

L: Spirit of wisdom and understanding, enlighten our minds to perceive the mysteries of the universe in relation to eternity.

All: Spirit of right judgment and courage, guide us and make us firm in our baptismal decision to follow Jesus' way of love.

L: Spirit of knowledge and reverence, help us to see the lasting value of justice and mercy in our everyday dealings with one another.

All: May we respect life as we work to solve problems of family and nation.

L: Spirit of God, spark our faith, hope and love into new action each day. Fill our lives with wonder and awe in your presence which penetrates all creation.

All: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE....."Spirit of the Living God "...UMH No. 393

RESPONSIVE READING.....**Psalm 139:1-18**

L: O LORD, you have searched me and known me!

All: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

L: You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

All: Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.

L: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

All: Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

L: If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed the grave, you are there!

All: If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

L: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

All: For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

L: My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

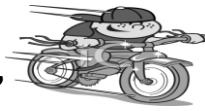
**All: Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written,
every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet
there was none of them.**

L: How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!
If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still
with you.

L: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks Be to God.

ANTHEM....."There is Joy " ...Faith Choir



KID'S TIME....."Training Wheels"

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 READINGS.....**John 14: 15-19; 25-26**

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father,
and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of
truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows
Him. You know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you." "I will not leave
you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me
no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. "These things I
have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things and bring
to your remembrance all that I have said to you."

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

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE....."The Helper" ...Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....." My Gratitude Now Accept, O God"...TFWS No. 2044 vs. 1,4

*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

- For all you have given, **Thank You God.**
- For all you have withheld, **Thank You God.**
- For all you have withdrawn, **Thank You God.**
- For all you have permitted, **Thank You God.**
- For all you have prevented, **Thank You God.**
- For all you have forgiven me, **Thank You God.**
- For all you have prepared for me, **Thank You God.**
- For the death you have chosen for me, **Thank you God.**
- For the place you are keeping for me in heaven, **Thank You God.**
- For having created me to love you for eternity, **Thank You God.**

* CLOSING HYMN....."Father, I Adore You"...TFWS No. 2038

*SENDING FORTH.....John 15:12

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

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

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI: Marlene Rietfort

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,

Leona Quast, Kookie Kukacka, Peter and Verna Fog, Kathy Fog, Marilyn and Dan Possin, Elaine Westrum, Chuck Youngberg, Marlys and Ken Garness, Les and Marie Wells, Brenda and Kipp Westrum, Bud and Peggy Deno, Virginia Wabshal, Mark Whems, Mark and Karen Norby, Mi Kkaula Mc Donough.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A new exercise class is on **Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.** This exercise will be stretching and relaxation from the comfort of a chair. If you are not able to take the walks you see other people doing, or attend the Silver Sneakers class, but still would like to participate in some type exercise, I encourage to you try the "Sit & Fit" class. We will be using a DVD with chair exercises. Be sure to check with your physician before attending the class. Come and try something different. **There will be no Sit & Fit the second week of August.**

You are invited, to share cake in celebration for **Peter and Verna Fog's 65th wedding anniversary, and Peter's 92nd birthday** at **fellowship** after church **Sunday, July 24th.** No program, just fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

Florence Gutknecht's 99th birthday is July 25th. Please join us at 2pm for a celebration and some cake. Also help her celebrate her birthday with lots of cards.

Conversation, Bible and Friends will **not meet** on Tuesday, July 26th.

Guest Night at Faith Church! Come on **Tuesday August 16** at **7:00 p.m.** to hear our program, "Open Hands, Open Hearts", featuring Tina Haroldson, Inspirational Speaker and Communications Specialist from Amboy, MN. She has been speaking to Corporate as well as various Women's groups for over 25 years. Her message balances her unique sense of humor with her practical Biblical perspective and passion for Holy Spirit-infused ministry, and is meant to encourage and inspire everyone. Join us for a fun, faith filled time of fellowship.

Summer Fun at Faith August 1-4

We're excited about a new event for our children, which will be offered here at Faith Church during the first week of August---Summer Fun at Faith.

Plans are underway, and we are making an appeal for monetary donations which will help us purchase needed craft materials, classroom supplies, kids' snacks, etc. If you can help please place your contribution in the offering plate on Sunday or leave an envelope in the church office. Be sure to designate on your check's memo line "Summer Fun--Kids", or if you choose to give cash, please place it in an envelope with the appropriate designation written. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

7/25/2016 (Sun.) Pancake Mix Sunday

9:30 a.m.-Worship Service

*Sunday School

10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

6:30-8:00 p.m.-Youth Group at Parsonage

7/25/2016 (Mon.)

10:00-11:00 a.m.-Powerful Tools for Caregivers at Waseca Library

2:00 p.m.-Florence Guknecht 99th Birthday

7/26/2016 (Tues.)

Faith Messenger mailed out this week

8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.-Southern Prairie UMW Executive Board Meeting (*LV Room and **FH)

No Conversation Bible & Friends

7/27/2016 (Wed.)

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.-Some Time Away (**FH)

7/28/2016 (Thurs.)

Pastor Victor Out of Office

7/31/2016 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m.-Worship Service

*Sunday School

10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall