

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 27, 2025~9:30 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

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; God's glory will dwell in our land.

Let us hear what God will speak!

Righteousness and peace will kiss each other; faithfulness will spring up from the ground.

Let us hear what God will speak!

God will speak peace to God's people, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

Let us hear what God will speak!

HYMN....."What a Friend We Have in Jesus"UMH #526

UNISON PRAYER

Merciful God, today we search and knock. We pray for deliverance for all those suffering under the wrath of war and violence, all those experiencing illness and famine, and all those who oppress and are oppressed. Teach us to pray, that we may know of your steadfast love and be assured of your faithfulness, for we know you will fulfill your purpose for the whole creation. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

ANTHEM.....“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”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.....”Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”UMH #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Unison

Gracious God, you have made us fully alive, setting us free from all that would hold us captive. As we bring these gifts, we do so in gratitude, abounding in thanksgiving for your grace. May these offerings be signs of our rootedness in you, bearing fruit for your kingdom. Let them be used to bring hope, healing, and new life to those in need. Keep us steadfast in Christ, walking in faith and filled with the joy of your transforming love. In Jesus’ name, we pray. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Linda Griffin

1Chronicles 4:9-10

Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, “I gave birth to him in pain.” Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, “Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain.” And God granted his request.

Luke 11:1-13

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

He said to them, “When you pray, say:

“Father,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.
And lead us not into temptation.”

Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’ And suppose the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity^[e] he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

“So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

“Which of you fathers, if your son asks for^[f] a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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

HYMN.....“God is So Good”TFWS #2056

MESSAGE.....“Ask, Seek, and Knock”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.

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:

Benedictine Owatonna: Les Wells

Colony Court: Margaret Dahnert

Lakeshore Inn: Peggy Deno

Latham Place: Joe Tollefson, Wally Ruedy

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Tim Dahnert, Ron Dahnert, Gail Sauer, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, April Lupas, Dennis Dahnert, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Anna Born, Barb Klampe, Sandy Voshell, Lori Schneidewind, Stuart Kuyper, Bob Larson, Darla Dahnert, Nancy Tollefson, DJ Choi, 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 ends of the pews.

We are still in need of volunteers to assist with tending some of the flower gardens on our grounds. The peace garden is covered but we still need help in other areas.

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to sign up to care for one of the gardens on a monthly rotation. It is our hope that one or two people could sign up to care for one or more gardens for a month at a time. If you have questions about what needs to be done in the gardens, Clair Voshell will be happy to answer any questions and show you what needs to be done. Please consider signing up so we can keep our grounds looking beautiful.

Newsletter folding is scheduled for this Thursday, July 31 at 1:00pm. If you are able to help, the folding group always welcomes more hands.

If you would like to make food donations to the Blessing Box, we could use the following items: canned tuna or chicken, instant mashed potatoes, cereal, pancake mix, peanut butter, canned fruit and spaghetti sauce (canned or plastic container). We appreciate donations!

There will be a church clean-up day on Saturday, August 9 at 8:00am. The weather was cold for our May clean-up day and we did not have many volunteers so we were unable to get to everything we planned on. We plan to wash the fellowship hall windows and do any other needed clean-up around the church and parsonage grounds. Please plan to come and help. Many hands make light work!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

07/27/2025 (Sun.)	Pancake Sunday 9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship
07/31/25 (Thurs.)	1:00pm – Newsletter Folding (Hansel & Gretel Room)
08/03/2025 (Sun.)	9:30am – Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30am to 12:30pm

Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00am to 12:30pm

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