

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 6th, 2023~9:30 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

You have come from afar and waited long and are wearied.

Let us sit side by side, sharing the same bread drawn from the same source to quiet the hunger that makes us weak.

Then standing together let us share the same spirit,

The same thoughts that once again draw us together in friendship and unity and peace.

HYMN....."Sweet Hour of Prayer"UMH #496

UNISON PRAYER

O gracious and holy God, give us diligence to seek you, wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you. Grant us O God, a mind to meditate on you, eyes to behold you, ears to listen for your Word, a heart to love you, through the power of the spirit of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRAYER OF 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

O Holy One, we make our offerings at this time both in gratitude and in seeking, in both remembering and hoping, in both fear and faith. Regardless of what is going on in our lives right now, receive these gifts as our way of praising you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Edy Barber

Genesis 32:22-31

The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my cry!
Give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit!
From your presence let my vindication come!
Let your eyes behold the right!

You have tried my heart, you have visited me by night,
you have tested me, and you will find nothing;
I have purposed that my mouth will not transgress.
With regard to the works of man, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.
My steps have held fast to your paths;
my feet have not slipped.
I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me; hear my words.
Wondrously show^[a] your steadfast love,
O Savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.
As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;
when I awake, I shall be satisfied with your likeness.

This is the Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

HYMN..... "Standing on the Promises"UMH #374

SCRIPTURE READINGS.....Pastor Jon Schultz

Romans 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to

eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

MESSAGE....."Do Something Before It's Too Late!"Pastor Jon Schultz

HOLY COMMUNION.....UMH, pg. 12

HYMN....."Break Thou the Bread of Life"UMH #599

UNISON PRAYER

God of Life, your risen Son has gathered us into the church, nourished us with his body and blood, and poured out upon us your Holy Spirit. Grant that we may receive the blessing of your grace, so that we may love you with all our hearts, and gladly feed your sheep in the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN....."God Be with You till We Meet Again"UMH \$672

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

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Lakeshore Inn: Leona Quast, Marian Broughten

Latham Place: Joe Tollefson

Foxdale: Lucille Kubista

Benedictine Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Kara Ecoff, Tim Dahnert, Gail Sauer, Beverly Pippenger, Bob Stephan, Gloria Rollag, government officials, health care workers, first responders, those who battle cancer, chronic illness and pain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office August 7 through 11.

Ruth Circle is meeting this Tuesday, August 8 at 1:00 pm at Real Life. Roberta will be the hostess and the program will be "Yellow".

Photo Directories have arrived! The photo directories can be picked up in the office. **The photo directories are currently reserved for those who had their photos taken by the photographer. When you pick up your directory, please check your name off on the list so we can keep track of who received their directory.** After those who had their photos taken have picked up their directories, we will have a small number of extras that will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

There is also a small number of non-photo directories that have been printed. They are available on the table in the church office. Feel free to take one. More of these can be printed as needed. Let Stacy know if you would like one.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

08/06/2023 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 am – Fellowship
08/07/2023 (Mon.)	3:00-4:30pm – Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
08/08/2023 (Tues.)	1:00 pm – Ruth Circle (Real Life)
08/13/2023 (Sun.)	9:30 am – Worship Service 10:30 am- Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

**** Out of office this week**

Pastor's Office Hours this Week:

Monday & Thursday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

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