

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 11, 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 gather today knowing there are people in our world who are surrounded by violence and conflict on every side.

Our work of peace begins with prayer.

We gather today knowing there are people in our community who feel lost, alone, abandoned, and forgotten.

Our work of love begins with prayer.

We gather today knowing there are people in this place, this neighborhood, this world that we all share who experience overwhelming grief, despair, and sorrow.

Our work of hope begins with prayer.

We gather not to look away from the world but to witness the needs of our neighbors through the lens of God's love.

May we be a people who pray and, out of our praying, do the work of bringing peace, love, and hope to all we encounter. Amen.

HYMN....."Be Still My Soul".....UMH #534

UNISON PRAYER

God of unity and love, place within each of us a spirit of hope and community. Have mercy upon us when we speak without love. Cleanse us with the living water of your grace. Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness. Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love. Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

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 boundless love, we come before you, recognizing your compassion and mercy. As we offer our gifts, we also lift our hearts. May your healing touch reach those in need and may your love bring comfort and strength to troubled hearts. We entrust our prayers to you, knowing that you hear and respond with boundless grace. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;
Lord, hear my voice.
Let your ears be attentive
to my cry for mercy.
If you, LORD, kept a record of sins,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness,
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.
I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits,
and in his word I put my hope.
I wait for the Lord
more than watchmen wait for the morning,
more than watchmen wait for the morning.
Israel, put your hope in the LORD,
for with the LORD is unfailing love
and with him is full redemption.
He himself will redeem Israel
from all their sins.

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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

HYMN.....“O, How He Loves You and Me”TFWS #2108

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

John 6:35

Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

MESSAGE.....“Encourage One Another”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.**

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, Gloria Rollag

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, Reilly Schumacher, April Lupas, Dennis Dahnert, Family and Friends of Nina Youngberg, 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.

Faith's Blessing Box – Just a reminder that we are continuously collecting donations of non-perishable food items for Faith's Blessing Box (please no glass jars). There is a donation box in the Narthex or you may bring your donations into the church office during office hours. Cash donations will also be accepted to purchase items for the blessing box; just make a notation that your donation is for the blessing box. We would like to build up a supply of items so we can keep replenishing the box as needed.

Trunk or Treat – Yes, it's still summer, but fall will be here before we know it! Area churches have been asked if they would like to participate in Trunk or Treat on Halloween night, October 31, from 4:30 to 7:00pm. This event is being headed up by a member of Christ the King Church and they will make a map of churches who are participating. We need to get an idea of how many people are able to participate before we decide whether or not to be part of this event. If you know you can participate, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the narthex during the coming weeks, or let Stacy know if you are able to participate. Also, ask friends, family members and neighbors if they would like to sign up.

Please note that Stacy will be out of the office August 19 through 23.

Just a reminder that the church has been re-keyed. Key assignments and check out can be done through the church office during office hours following the criteria previously provided.

If you know you have an article you would like included in the next newsletter, it would be helpful if you could submit it by this Wednesday, August 14. This will give Stacy time to start preparing the newsletter before her vacation. All newsletter articles must be received by 9:30am on August 26.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

08/11/2024 (Sun.)	9:30am - Worship Service 10:30am - Fellowship
08/12/2024 (Mon.)	3:00 - 4:30pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
08/13/2024 (Tues.)	7:30am - 8:00pm - Primary Election (**FH)
08/18/2024 (Sun.)	9:30 am - Worship Service 10:30 am - 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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