

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 14th, 2022~9:30 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/WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance that race that is set before us. Mindful of the gifts we receive and confident of the sustenance the Lord provides, let us worship God.

HYMN....."We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"TFWS #2103

UNISON PRAYER

God of Peace, your call, at times, appears to divide us from one another. Help us to overcome our fears and respond in courage. Give us faith to trust the unity that is beyond our sight. Give us your eyes to recognize the signs before us. We ask this in the confidence of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

God of Mercy,
Hear our prayer

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

OFFERING PRAYER

We trust, O God, in your provision and loving kindness. Use these gifts and our lives that we might bear your fruit with praise and thanksgiving. We ask this in the confidence of your mercy and love. Amen

HYMN....."Abide with Me".....UMH #700, vs. 1, 2, 3 & 5

SCRIPTURE READING.....Bob Hunter

Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-19

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you who lead Joseph like a flock!
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth
before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your might,
and come to save us!
You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.
You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.
The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;

it sent out its branches to the sea
and its shoots to the River.
Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?
The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it.
Turn again, O God of hosts;
look down from heaven and see;
have regard for this vine,
the stock that your right hand planted.
It has been burned with fire; it has been cut down;
may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.
But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one whom you made strong for yourself.
Then we will never turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call on your name.
Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

SCRIPTURE READING.....Pastor Carolyn

Luke 12:49-56

“I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."God of Grace and God of Glory"UMH #577, vs. 1, 2 & 4

BENEDICTION

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: Joe Tollefson, Shirley Burdick

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Lakeshore Inn: Leona Quast

Foxdale: Lucille Kubista

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Tom Kuyper, Roger Groskreutz and family, John Slattery, Gloria Rollag, the family of Jerry Jellum, Kara Ecoff, government officials, health care workers, first responders, and those who are at risk and most vulnerable to Covid-19, those who battle chronic illness and pain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School News -- Beginning in September, Sunday school will meet the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Children are welcome to sit at the children's activity table in the back of the sanctuary during worship when Sunday school is not in session.

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office Thursday, August 25 and Monday, August 29.

Ruth Circle has rescheduled its August meeting to August 23rd at 3:00 pm.

The United Women in Faith has the Autumn Fest scheduled for Saturday, September 10th. You can bring your STUFF for the garage sale any time. Let Roberta know if you are dropping something off. Think about what special treats you can make for the bake sale too.

United Women in Faith will meet Monday, August 15 at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall
Speaker : Elaine Spain, on her trip to the Holy Land

August-September Choir News

The choir will sing on August 21 ("We Have Gathered Here to Praise Him").

Our choir season will begin with a potluck supper on September 7 at 6:00 in the fellowship hall. Practice will follow. Anyone who likes to sing is invited to join us.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

08/14/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service
10:00 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship

08/15/2022 (Mon.) 10:00 am - United Women in Faith Meeting (**FH)

08/21/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service
10:30 am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

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