

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 24th, 2017~9:30 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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP....."Father, I Adore You"..... TFWS No. 2038

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READINGPsalm 105: 1-6; 37-45

L: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

All: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

L: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually! Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

All: O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones! Then he brought out Israel with silver and gold, and there was none among his tribes who stumbled.

L: Egypt was glad when they departed, for dread of them had fallen upon it.

All: He spread a cloud for a covering, and fire to give light by night. They asked, and he brought quail, and gave them bread from heaven in abundance. He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river.

L: For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham, his servant.

All: So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing. And he gave them the lands of the nations, and they took possession of the fruit of the peoples' toil, that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Praise the LORD!

ANTHEM.....“Worship Tapestry”Faith Choir



KIDS TIME.....Junk Food Christians

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 READING.....**Ephesians 2:1-10**

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. 4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— 6 and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 so that in the

coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**L: THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD.
All: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“All Hail King Jesus”.....TFWS No. 2069

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE....."But God.....".....Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Give Thanks".....TFWS No. 2036

*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

*CLOSING HYMN.....“As the Deer”.....TFWS No. 2025

*SENDING FORTH.....*Ephesians 2:8-10*

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EXIT MUSIC

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 Memory & Care Suites: Ann Swenson, Dick Westrum

Colony Court: Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Peter & Verna Fog.
Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins, Fern Papke

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran

Latham Place: Lucille and George Kubista

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Prayer Requests from Sunday: pray for the victims of Hurricane Harvey/Irma; pray for the people of Mexico, Puerto Rico and Japan; pray for a peace solution to the North Korean crisis; Verna and Peter Fog, Don Paulson, Darlene Smith, Darla Danhert, Bea Callahan, Robbie and Nate, Bob Faulkner.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION began September 20th 6:30-7:30 and will be held every 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

YOUTH GROUP will be tonight, Sunday, September 24th 6:30-8:00 at the Parsonage.

CANCER BREAKFAST BENEFIT FOR DON PAULSON is being held this morning, **Sunday, September 24** from **8:00 a.m. to Noon** at the **VFW**. All you can eat breakfast. Adults (13 & Above) \$9.00, ages 6 - 12 \$6.00, ages 5 and under FREE.

On Monday, October 2, Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be working the hours of 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

Living Well With Chronic Conditions is starting on Monday, October 9 at 10:00 a.m. at the Waseca Public Library and will meet weekly for six weeks. It is being taught by Linda Lohse and Sherry Scholljegerdes. Registration fee is \$15 which includes a book. Register with Sherry by October 2nd (835-4304).

A Bazaar Planning Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 11** at **10:00 a.m.** in the Lakeview Room. All are invited to attend!

ACT on Alzheimer's Community Workshop

Saturday, October 14, 2017

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at U of MN Southern Research Center

Keynote Speaker:

Heidi Haley-Franklin, Associate Director of Clinical Services at Alzheimer's Association Minnesota -North Dakota

Registration fee is \$15 per person and includes lunch and dementia related book. Payable by check to: Waseca Area Caregiver Services, 113 2nd Ave. NW, Waseca, MN 56093

Register by October 4, 2017

RESPONDING TO HURRICANE HARVEY/ IRMA AND MUDSLIDES IN SIERRA LEONE...

Offer funds. Recovery efforts require money and so offering financial assistance is one sure way of demonstrating our love for our brothers and sisters who are caught in the wake of these natural disasters. Send **donations through our local churches, our annual conferences, and our United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Use U.S. Disaster Response Advance #901670 for Harvey /Irma relief and International Response Advance #982450 for Sierra Leone relief efforts.**

Offer spiritual and emotional support. Our brothers and sisters who have been hit by this tragedy need more than just physical help. They need spiritual and emotional comforting. Pray for all whose lives and livelihoods have been impacted by the floods, and for those providing rescue and recovery assistance.

Offer practical help. United Methodists who are trained first responders are already on the ground to help, and time is coming soon when more practical help will be needed to rebuild homes, schools, churches, and businesses that have been inundated in Texas or buried under the mud in Sierra Leone. Those who are skilled in repair work should be ready to go and render assistance as soon as the authorities indicate that it is safe to do so. Please wait until you hear from UMCOR on the skills that will be needed in the rebuilding and repair work.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

09/24/2017 (Sun.) Pancake Mix Sunday
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Youth Group at the Parsonage

09/25/2017 (Mon.) Faith Messenger Mailed this Week
3:00-4:30 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

09/26/2017 (Tues.) 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Christianity & World Religions
Study (*LV Room)
7:00 p.m. - Church Council Meeting (*LV Room)

09/27/2017 (Wed.) 7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

09/28/2017 (Thur.) 6:30 p.m. - Trustee Meeting (*LV Room)

10/01/2017 (Sun.) Birthday Sunday
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service with Communion
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall