

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ORDINARY TIME
September 13th, 2015~9:30 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

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

Today we have the joy of welcoming Marian and Byron Broughten into our congregation.

MEMBERSHIP VOWS

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

L: Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

The congregation responds:

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. That in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

The pastor addresses those received:

L: The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

* CALL TO WORSHIP....."More Precious than Silver" ...TFWS No. 2065

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE.....I John 1:5-7

All: Now this is the gospel message we have heard from him and announce to you: God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all.

L: If we say we have fellowship with him and yet keep on walking in the darkness, we are lying and not practicing the truth.

All: But if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our LORD, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING.....**PSALM 1**

L: How blessed is the one who does not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand in the pathway with sinners, or sit in the assembly of scoffers!

All: Instead he finds pleasure in obeying the LORD's commands; he meditates on his commands day and night.

L: He is like a tree planted by flowing streams; it yields its fruit at the proper time, and its leaves never fall off. He succeeds in everything he attempts.

All: Not so with the wicked! Instead they are like wind-driven chaff.

L: For this reason the wicked cannot withstand judgment, nor can sinners join the assembly of the godly.

All: Certainly the LORD guards the way of the godly, but the way of the wicked ends in destruction.

L: THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

All: THANKS BE TO GOD!

ANTHEM....."Come, Now is the Time to Worship" ...Faith Choir

KID'S TIME.....“Does God Ever Skip Church?”

CHILDREN'S CHURCH All children are invited to attend our Children's Church at this time. Please go to the back of the sanctuary to meet your teacher.

READINGS ON THE LIFE OF DAVID

I Samuel 8:4-5; 21-22; 10: 1a; 11:14-15; 13:13-14

So all the elders of Israel gathered together and approached Samuel at Ramah. They said to him, “Look, you are old, and your sons don't follow your ways. So now appoint over us a king to lead us, just like all the other nations have.”

So Samuel listened to everything the people said and then reported it to the LORD. The LORD said to Samuel, “Do as they say and install a king over them.” Then Samuel said to the men of Israel, “Each of you go back to his own city.”

Then Samuel took a small container of olive oil and poured it on Saul's head. Samuel kissed him and said, “The LORD has chosen you to lead his people Israel! You will rule over the LORD's people and you will deliver them from the power of the enemies who surround them.” Samuel said to the people, “Come on! Let's go to Gilgal and renew the kingship there.” So all the people went to Gilgal, where they established Saul as king in the LORD's presence. They offered up peace offerings there in the LORD's presence. Saul and all the Israelites were very happy.

“But now your kingdom shall not endure. The LORD has sought out for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has appointed him as ruler over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you.”

L: THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

All: THANKS BE TO GOD.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“I Love You LORD”...TFWS No. 2068

MESSAGE“Looking For A Savior”...Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

***SONG OF THANKSGIVING**.....“Give Thanks”...TFWS No. 2036

***THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS**

* CLOSING HYMN.....“Make Me a Servant ”...TFWS No. 2176

*SENDING FORTH.....*Ephesians 4:25*

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and exhorting one another with all wisdom, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, all with grace in your hearts to God. And whatever you do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the LORD Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

EXIT MUSIC

REMEMBER OUR CHURCH & MILITARY 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,
Rosalind Peterson, Gerri Peterson

Colony Court: Millie Groh , Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg,
Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins, Paul Krause

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken, Don Lohse

Latham Place: Liz Corchran, Deloris Asmus

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI: Marlene Rietfort

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller, Bill Brooks

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Those who also need our prayers: Willie Mahler[Home Hospice]

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Bruce and Deb Hering, Leona Quast, Dave and Joann Eggness, Kookie Kukacka, Peter and Verna Fog, Marilyn Possin, Marlin Olson (Patrice’s Dad), Berts Walker, The Westrum Family, Chuck Youngberg.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confirmation is this evening, 6:30-8:00p.m. in the **Lakeview Room** for seventh and eighth grade students. It will held every first and third Sunday.

Youth Group will meet on **Sunday, September 27th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** at the **Parsonage** for seventh through twelfth grade students. It will be held every second and fourth Sunday.

On Saturday afternoon, **September 26th**, a group of adults and youth will go from Faith Church to **Simpson United Methodist Church** in Minneapolis, to provide a supper meal for the men and women who sleep in the overnight shelter. Around 110 persons will be served. Again this year, the meal will be catered by Hy-Vee and taken to Minneapolis. Your support is needed to help pay for the meal as well as provide bread, milk, bananas, and cookies. **A signup sheet for the latter items will be available during worship next Sunday.**

Sunday School begins **today** for children 4 years old through 6th grade.

Blessing of the Backpacks will be during service on **September 20th.**

BEING MORTAL

-FILM AND DISCUSSION

- Sunday, Sept. 20
- 10:45-12:15
- Pastor Victor and Sherry/facilitators
- Lakeview Room

Death is something we will all one day face so why is it so hard for doctors to talk to their patients about dying? Renowned surgeon and *New York* writer Atul Gawande explored this question in his bestselling book, *Being Mortal*. Now Gawande teams with PBS's *Frontline* to bring personal journey and the stories of his patients and their families to life in this one-hour documentary. He challenges us all to reexamine how we think about death and dying. The ultimate goal is not a good death but a good life-all the way to the very end.

The Relay for Life team is working at the Pizza Ranch on **Monday, September 21** from **5:00 to 8:00 p.m.** We work for tips and a portion of the sales. Please come and eat out with us. We all have so much fun doing this and waiting on you.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

9/13/2015 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m. -Blood Pressure Check 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School begins for children 4 years old through 6th grade. 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Confirmation Orientation (*LV Room)
9/15/2015 (Tues.)	10:00-11:00 a.m. -Worship at Lake Shore Inn 1:00-2:00 p.m. -UMW Mary Circle at TBD 3:00-4:30 p.m.-Conversation, Bible, & Friends (*LV Room)
9/16/2015 (Wed.)	9:30-10:30 a.m. -UMW Ruth Circle at TBD location 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away 2:00 p.m. -UMW Elizabeth Circle at Shirley Hansen's
9/17/2015 (Thur.)	6:30-7:30 p.m. -SPRC Meeting
9/18/2015 (Fri.)	6:30-8:00 p.m. -Set up for Food @ Faith
9/19/2015 (Sat.)	Food @ Faith 7:00-10:00 a.m. -Food Truck and Set-Up 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. -Waseca Food Distribution 12:00-1:00 p.m. -Food Program Clean-up
9/20/2015 (Sun.)	9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service, Blessing of the Backpacks 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Children's Church 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship 10:45-11:45 a.m. -Being Mortal DVD Discussion (*LV Room) 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Confirmation (*LV Room)

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall