

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
October 6th, 2019~9:30 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

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....“Change My Heart, O God”.....TFWS No.2152

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

Faithful and gracious God, in this time of uncertainty in your holy church, re-focus my attention and open my heart to embrace Jesus’ commission to go reach new people and teach them The Way. Equip and embolden me to remove the barriers that separate us, one from another. Send your Holy Spirit to help me love boldly and unconditionally, pouring out my life for others, just as Jesus did. Holy God, there are those within my life who desperately need to know they are loved by you and by me. Show me how you are calling me to share your healing, saving, reconciling, joy-inducing grace with them. Help my words and my witness provide an invitation to experience life with Christ. Led by the example of Jesus and in the power of your Holy Spirit, O God, I go forth today and every day with renewed courage to reach out and love boldly. Amen.

Bishop Bruce Ough

THE JESUS CREED.....By Brian McLaren

L: We have confidence in Jesus

All: Who healed the sick, the blind, and the paralyzed. And even raised the dead.

L: He cast out evil powers and Confronted corrupt leaders. He cleansed the temple. He favored the poor.

All: He turned water into wine, Walked on water, calmed storms.

L: He died for the sins of the world, Rose from the dead, and ascended to the Father, Sent the Holy Spirit.

All: We have confidence in Jesus

L: Who taught in word and example, Sign and wonder. He preached parables of the kingdom of God On hillsides, from boats, in the temple, in homes,

All: At banquets and parties, along the road, on beaches, in towns, By day and by night.

L: He taught the way of love for God and neighbor, For stranger and enemy, for outcast and alien.

All: We have confidence in Jesus,

L: Who called disciples, led them, Gave them new names and new purpose And sent them out to preach good news.

All: He washed their feet as a servant. He walked with them, ate with them, Called them friends, Rebuked them, encouraged them,

L: Promised to leave and then return, And promised to be with them always.

All: He taught them to pray. He rose early to pray, stole away to desolate places,

L: Fasted and faced agonizing temptations, Wept in a garden, And prayed, "Not my will but your will be done."

All: He rejoiced, he sang, he feasted, he wept.

L: We have confidence in Jesus,

All: So we follow him, learn his ways, Seek to obey his teaching and live by his example.

L: We walk with him, walk in him, abide in him, As a branch in a vine. We have not seen him, but we love him.

All: His words are to us words of life eternal, And to know him is to know the true and living God.

L: We do not see him now, but we have confidence in Jesus. Amen.

HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine”TFWS No. 2266

SPECIAL MUSIC.....“The Communion Song”Bob Stephan

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AHTEHM“A Communion Meditation”Faith Choir

World Communion Sunday

World Communion Sunday is one of the special Sundays authorized by the General Conference to be observed with the taking of an offering throughout the denomination.

World Communion Sunday is observed the first Sunday in October. The observance focuses the attention of United Methodists on the universal and inclusive nature of the church.

One half of the proceeds from the offering is for World Communion Sunday Scholars administered by the General Board of Global Ministries.

The remaining one half is to be used for the Ethnic Scholarship Program and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program, which are administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”UMH No. 140

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

2 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.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE "But God...!"Pastor Victor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

*CLOSING HYMN....."Cry of My Heart"TFWS No. 2165

*SENDING FORTH.....Ephesians 2:4-5

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—

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:

BridgeWater at Janesville: Joe and Gloria Tollefson

Colony Court: Nina Youngberg, Muriel Jenkins, Ardella Draheim

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran, Leona Quast, George Kubista

Latham Place: Lucille Kubista, Elaine Westrum

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Prayer Requests from Sunday: JoAnn Larson, Jo Anne Eggness, John Slattery, Ruby Teague, Marlys and Ken Garness, Michael Schumacher, Raeleen Johnson, Nina Youngberg, Jim Klampe, Nancy and Dan Thomas, Neil Westby, All deployed troops, Linda Griffin, all Those who are battling Cancer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Change of dates for Adopt a Park - Clear Lake Park clean up on the following dates: October 7 at 9:00 a.m. After clean up we enjoy coffee and fellowship. Come join us. If you have any questions about the park clean-up, please contact Barb Friedl at 832-969-6109 (cell) or 507-833-6095 (home).

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office on **Wednesday, October 16 through Friday, October 18.**

On **Sunday, October 13th** at the Waseca VFW, the church Relay for Life will be doing a fundraiser to help raise funds to find the cure for cancer. The serving time will be 7:00 – Noon, so there is time to come and eat before church or after. They will be serving scrambled eggs, pancakes, French toast, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy and beverage and it is all you can eat.

We will also be putting on a bake sale that day and if anyone would like to bake and donate something towards that, it would be greatly appreciated. Those items should be at the VFW club by 8:00AM at the very latest. We also want to thank the congregation for all your support and help in the past.

There will be a Painting Party on **Saturday, October 19th** from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Treats will be served at 3:30. People can come and paint rocks but we will also paint pumpkins for Halloween. Bring a friend. If we have enough pumpkins, adults can paint pumpkins too.

