

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**October 16<sup>th</sup>, 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

No matter how far from God we seem to be, we do not lose heart:

**For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.**

No matter how many obstacles we face in life, in the church, we do not lose heart:

**For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.**

No matter how hard it is to continually pray and work for justice, we do not lose heart:

**For the days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will forgive and restore my people; when I will equip them for every good work; and when I will grant justice, for I hear their cries day and night.**

HYMN....."Be Thou My Vision".....UMH #451

UNISON PRAYER

**O God, who writes on our hearts, you have never abandoned us. In amazing and persistent grace, you have kept covenant with us. We thank you for loving us even when we have not loved you. We long to behold the day of your appearing, even as we stand now in view of your kingdom, promised and made present in Christ Jesus, in whose name we wait and pray. Amen**

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

ANTHEM....."Standing in the Need of Prayer" .....Faith Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

O God our Judge and our Redeemer,  
we cry to you day and night. Help us, O God.

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

**Eternal God, may these gifts be signs of your grace, and may our lives show forth the coming kingdom, that when Christ comes again he will find faith on earth. Amen**

HYMN....."As the Deer" .....UMH #2025

SCRIPTURE READING.....Edy Barber

**Jeremiah 31:27-34**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say:

“The parents have eaten sour grapes,  
and the children’s teeth are set on edge.”

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of the one who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with

their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

**Psalm 119:97-104**

Oh, how I love your law!

It is my meditation all day long.

Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies,  
for it is always with me.

I have more understanding than all my teachers,  
for your decrees are my meditation.

I understand more than the aged,  
for I keep your precepts.

I hold back my feet from every evil way,  
in order to keep your word.

I do not turn away from your ordinances,  
for you have taught me.

How sweet are your words to my taste,  
sweeter than honey to my mouth!

Through your precepts I get understanding;  
therefore I hate every false way.

**THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

**THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL READING.....Pastor Carolyn

**Luke 18:1-8**

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my accuser.’ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, “Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’ ” And

the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."What a Friend We Have in Jesus".....UMH #526

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

**Benedictine Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**New Richland Care Center:** Norma Buland

**Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna:** Ardella Draheim

**Prayer Requests for Sunday:** Sue Baldini, Tom Kuyper, Roger Groskreutz and family, Gloria Rollag, Kara Ecoff, Norma Buland, 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**

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office Wednesday, October 19 through Friday, October 21

**Sunday School** -- Sunday School meets 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.

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On Saturday, October 29, 4:00 to 7:00 pm, we will be having a Halloween party for our children and youth and any friends they want to invite. We plan to have a meal, pumpkin decorating, games and more. If you would like to volunteer to help or donate some funds for the party, it would be appreciated! Stay tuned for more information.

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We are in need of volunteers to run the camera for recording the Sunday services. If we do not have enough volunteers, we may have Sundays on which the service cannot be recorded for our You Tube channel or the local television station. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the church office and we will make sure you receive instructions on running the camera before you are called to fill in.

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The annual Soup Luncheon is coming up on Saturday, November 5. We will be serving from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please plan to attend. The suggested donation is \$9.00.

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...**

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10/16/2022 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service  
10:30 am - Fellowship (Potluck)

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10/17/2022 (Mon.) 3:00-4:30 pm-Conversation, Bible & Friends (\*LV Room)

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10/19/2022 (Wed.) ***Administrative Assistant Out of Office***  
2:30 pm - Elizabeth Circle (\*LV Room)  
7:00 pm - Choir Practice

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10/20/2022 (Thur.) ***Administrative Assistant Out of Office***  
10:30 am - Bible Study

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10/23/2022 (Sun.) Pancake Sunday  
9:30 am - Worship Service  
10:00 am - Sunday School  
10:30 am - Fellowship

\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall

**Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:**

Monday & Tuesday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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