FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CHRIST THE KING/REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY THANKSGIVING SUNDAY November 20th, 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.

<u>PRELUDE</u>

GREETING/WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)

Worship Christ, Eternal Son of God; honor Christ, Incarnate Son of Mary; serve Christ, Glorious Ruler of creation; for to Christ belong the power and the glory of the Almighty. Praise be to God.

HYMN......UMH #327

UNISON PRAYER

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Tender Shepherd, you gather us here to dwell in your love and grace. You comfort and guide us. You heal and redeem us. As we sing your songs of praise, send your light into our lives. As we commit ourselves to the ways of Christ, our guide, ruler, and savior, bless us with your presence. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen

PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

ANTHEM......Faith Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

And declare with faith, **The Lord is our righteousness.**

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

Almighty Christ, you gave us the gift of yourself. Now we offer these gifts to you, asking that you bless them and use them to share your kingdom with all. In your name, we pray. Amen.

<u>HYMN</u>......UMH #209 SCRIPTURE READING......Linda Griffin

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear longer or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Colossians 1:1-20

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

GOSPEL READING	Pastor Carolyn
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Luke 23:33-45

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

MESSAGE		Pastor Carolyn
<u>HYMN</u> "	Victory in Jesus"	UMH #370

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, Tim Dahnert, Suzanne Saucier, 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

Mitten Tree - We are collecting hats, mittens, gloves and scarves for the mitten tree which will be donated to the Neighborhood Service Center. All sizes are needed, from small for young children to large for older children.

Photo sessions will be held December 13 and 14 for our new photo directory. Please sign up on the sign-up sheets in the narthex. There are also instructions for signing up online. Online sign up is not open on weekends to allow for paper sign up at church on Sundays. If you have any questions or need help with scheduling, please contact Stacy at the church office.

We are celebrating Pastor Appreciation Sunday today. There is a basket downstairs for cards and appreciation notes. If you forgot your card, some notes are available for you to write your own. Please help us show our pastor that we appreciate all she does for our church family.

UWF Upcoming Meetings:

General Meeting and soup luncheon, Monday, November 21 at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Hanging of the greens - It's time to decorate for Christmas. Please join us on **Saturday**, **November 26** at **9:30 am** to help us decorate various areas of our church to help us spread the joy and colors of the advent season. All are welcome to help and you can come for a short time or a long time.

Pancake Sunday is the fourth Sunday of the month. Please bring pancake mix and syrup which will be donated to the Neighborhood Service Center. Thank you for your participation!

Just a reminder: We are still collecting items for the "Soap Closet" for Minnesota Valley Action Council to provide hygiene products to those in need in our county. This is an ongoing project. Please consider donating hygiene items. The collection box and list of needed items is located in the narthex.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE		
11/20/2022 (Sun.)	Pastor Appreciation 9:30 am - Worship Service 10:30 am - Fellowship	
11/21/2022 (Mon.)	11:30 am - UWF General Meeting (**FH)	
11/22/2022(Tues.)	7:00 pm - Church Council Meeting (*LV Room)	
11/23/2022 (Wed.)	7:00 pm - Choir Practice	
11/24/2022 (Thur.)	Happy Thanksgiving!	
11/26/2022 (Sat.)	9:30 am - Hanging of the Greens	
11/27/2022 (Sun.)	Pancake Sunday First Sunday of Advent 9:30 am - Worship Service 10:00 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Fellowship	

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Wednesday: 9:00 am to 11:30 am

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