

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**  
**DECEMBER 29<sup>th</sup>, 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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP....."Go Tell It on the Mountain" .....UMH No. 251

OPENING PRAYER.....(Unison)

**Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE .....“O Little Town Of Bethlehem” .....UMH No. 230

CANTICLE OF SIMEON.....UMH No. 225

SPECIAL MUSIC .....“Heirlooms” .....Alison Prange

HYMN OF PRAISE.....“Joy To The World” .....UMH No. 246

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 LESSON.....**Luke 2: 2-8; 16-18**

2 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup> “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written: <sup>6</sup> “But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.”<sup>7</sup> Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.” <sup>16</sup> When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. <sup>17</sup> Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: <sup>18</sup> “A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.”

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

CAROL OF PRAISE.....“There's a Song in the Air”.....UMH No. 249

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE....."The Other King" .....Pastor Victor Waters

OFFERTORY

\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Glory Be to the Father" .....UMH No. 70

\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

\*CLOSING HYMN.....“What Child Is This?” .....UMH No. 219

\*SENDING FORTH.....*Hebrews 1:1*

*Now faith is the assurance of what we hope for and the certainty of what we do not see.*

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:

**Janesville Nursing Home:** Nina Youngberg

**New Richland Care Center:** Ardella Draheim

**Bridge Water at Janesville:** Joe and Gloria Tollefson

**Colony Court:** Muriel Jenkins

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

**Latham Place:** Elaine Westrum, Lucille Kubista

**Koda Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship:** Nicki and Jon Schultz, Jo Ann Eggness, Jenifer, Our Nation.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that next week, Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be **in** the office as follows: December 30 - 9:00 am to Noon, January 2 - 9:00 am to Noon.

Please note there will be no Conversation, Bible & Friends study group on Monday, December 30.

**Newsletter Folding** - Newsletter folding is scheduled for **Monday, December 30 at 10:00 a.m.** in the church office. There is great conversation and often a few laughs as this important task is completed. Usually the job takes about an hour to two hours to complete depending on the number of people that attend. The experienced folders will be glad to give you clear instructions on what to do. We could really use more helpers for this important task so please consider attending.

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We will be taking down the Christmas greens and other decorations after the worship service on Sunday, January 5. Many hands make light work, so please come and lend YOUR HANDS! All are welcome and can come for a short time or a long time! **Please note that the date in the newsletter is wrong, it will NOT be on January 11.**

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

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12/29/2019 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m.-Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

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12/30/2019 (Mon.) 10:00 a.m. - Newsletter Folding (Church Office)

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12/31/2019 (Tues.) ***Administrative Assistant Out of the Office***

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01/01/2020 (Wed.) ***New Year's Day - Happy New Year!***  
***Church Office Closed***

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01/03/2020 (Fri.) ***Church Office Closed***

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01/05/2020 (Sun.) Birthday Sunday  
9:30 a.m.-Worship Service with Communion  
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

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\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this week:

Monday: 9:00 am to Noon

Thursday: 9:00 am to Noon