

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**December 6th, 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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* CALL TO WORSHIP....."God Almighty We Are Waiting"...(see insert)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE.....FAITH

L: The Second Sunday of Advent symbolizes FAITH reminding us that Jesus is near and we should prepare our hearts to receive Him  
.[PURPLE]

**ALL: A voice cries out, "In the wilderness clear a way for the LORD; construct in the desert a road for our God. Every valley must be elevated, and every mountain and hill leveled. The rough terrain will become a level plain, the rugged landscape a wide valley. The splendor of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it at the same time.**

L: We light this candle as a symbol of **FAITH**. That have heard the voice crying in the wilderness and have responded to the call to prophets call "repent for the kingdom of God is at hand."

HYMN OF PRAISE ..... Joy to the World Vs.2...UMH No. 246

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]  
The Advent story of hope and mystery, anticipation, preparation, a kingdom of this world and the next, and a king appearing when we least expect. Heaven touching earth, the footsteps of the divine walking dusty roads as once they did in Eden, and a people, searching for a Savior, and walking past the stable.  
Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE....."Low How A Rose E'er Blooming"...UMH No. 216

RESPONSIVE READING.....Canticle of Zechariah...UMH No.208

ANTHEM....."Get Ready"...Faith Choir and Sunday School

HYMN OF INVITATION....."Break Thou the Bread of Life"...UMH No. 599

## SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

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SCRIPTURE READING..... **Luke 3:2-3; 7-18**

L: During the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan River, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

**All: So John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You offspring of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?"**

L: Therefore produce fruit that proves your repentance, and don't begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that God can raise up children for Abraham from these stones! Even now the ax is laid at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

**All: So the crowds were asking him, "What then should we do?"**

L: John answered them, "The person who has two tunics must share with the person who has none, and the person who has food must do likewise."

**All: Tax collectors also came to be baptized, and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?"**

L: He told them, "Collect no more than you are required to."

**All: Then some soldiers also asked him, "And as for us—what should we do?"**

L: He told them, "Take money from no one by violence or by false accusation, and be content with your pay."

**All: While the people were filled with anticipation and they all wondered whether perhaps John could be the Christ,**

L: John answered them all, "I baptize you with water, but one more powerful than I am is coming—I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clean out his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his storehouse, but the chaff he will burn up with inextinguishable fire." And in this way, with many other exhortations, John proclaimed good news to the people.

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... "Your Actions Always Speak Louder Than Your Words" ...Pastor Victor Waters

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

\* CLOSING HYMN..... "Star Child " ...TFWS No. 2095

\*SENDING FORTH..... *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

*"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time, I will cause a righteous branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land." 16 In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'*

## 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, Deloris Asmus

**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

**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 Egeness, Kookie Kukacka, Peter and Verna Fog,

Marilyn Possin, Berts Walker, The Westrum Family, Chuck Youngberg,

Marlys Garness, Deloris Asmus, Jim Keller, Bill Brooks, Brenda and Kip Westrum,

Roger Goetz.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

At this time of Advent when we are looking forward to the celebration of the Christ child, we have a new child in our midst, **Emma Lynn Veazie**. She was born October 2nd, 2015 to **Heidi and Greg Veazie**. **She is the granddaughter of Marian and Jim Keller and Warren and Maggie Veazie.**

**Let us pray for Heidi, Greg, and Emma as they begin this new journey of life together.**

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**Remembering Those Who Are Away From Us Or Have Moved Away.** This is a list of those members who are not attending worship or have moved away please remember them in your prayers.

**Roger Herman Goetz**

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**The Pursells' new address is:**

800 College Parkway, Apt 324

Lewisville, TX 75077.

Their phone is: 507-201-7322.

**Wally and Betty Jane Ruedy are heading south for the winter. Their address is:**

4308 W. 125th St.

Savage, MN 55378. Thank you.

**Marly Lou Sahlstrom's new address is:**

Eagle Crest North

351 Mason St. No. 325

Onalaska, WI 54650

Phone: 1-608-779-1841

**Ron and Pat Terrell's new address is:**

325 NW Driftwood Dr.

Arkeny, IA 50023

Phone: 507-310-1334

**Bruce and Deborah Hering's new address is:**

101 Grovebrook Dr.

Mankato, MN 56001

Phone: 507-388-8022.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

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12/6/2015 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday 9:15 a.m. -Hymn Sing 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship
12/8/2015 (Tues.)	10:00-11:00 a.m. -Tai Ji Quan (**FH) 1:30-2:30 p.m. -Lake Shore Communion 3:00-4:30 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
12/9/2015 (Wed.)	10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away (**FH) 1:00 p.m. -Communion at Colony Court 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice
12/10/2015 (Thur.)	10:00-11:00 a.m. -Tai Ji Quan (**FH) 6:30-7:30 p.m. -Men of Faith Meeting
12/11/2015 (Fri.)	10:00-11:00 a.m. -Worship at Colony Court
12/13/2015 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m. -Blood Pressure Check 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service with Emma Lynn Veazie Baptism 10:00-10:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Youth Group at Parsonage

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\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall