

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016~9:30 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

L: This day we celebrate the new life we find in Christ Jesus.

**All: We gather into community to experience the bond of love that only comes with being with others.**

L: At this time we lift up our lives as an offering to God, asking that we be renewed.

**All: We celebrate your presence, God, and pray that in all we do here, we may become more like the person Jesus, who loved and is love.**

\*Hymn of Praise...“When Morning Gilds the Skies” .....UMH No. 185

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

**Almighty God, help us to remember the possible that is within us, make us strong when we are tempted to be weak. When the pressure for approval of friends tends to hide what we know is best for ourselves and others, give us the courage to stand firm. We know it is impossible to make a good world out of evil persons, so help us to look honestly within ourselves that we may discover a faith, which is strong enough to stand in**

**the midst of dismaying trouble. Lord, in the midst of our pain and agony, may you not be lost to us, and we pray that even in adversity, we would remember the needs of others, in Christ's name. Amen.**

ANTHEM....."Amani Utupe" ...Faith Choir

KID'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READINGS.....Matthew 14:13-21

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus heard this, He withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed Him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When He went ashore, He saw a great crowd; and He had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup> When it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup> And He said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup> And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH, COMMUNITY, AND OUR WORLD

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MESSAGE....."The Gospel of Twelve Basketsful Left Over" ...Pastor Robert Hunter

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING..."Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" ...UMH No.95

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS.....[UNISON]

**We praise you, O God, with our songs; we praise you in our prayers; and now we praise you with our gifts. Teach us by the needs and wounds of the world, teach us by the message of the holy cross that the best part of ourselves is that part we give and dedicate to you for the sake of Jesus Christ.**

**All: Amen.**

\* CLOSING HYMN....."God of Grace and God of Glory" ...UMH No. 577

\*SENDING FORTH.

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:**

**Colony Court Memory & Care Suites:** Ann Swenson, Dick Westrum

**Colony Court:** Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg,  
Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

**Lakeshore Inn:** Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken

**Latham Place:** Liz Corchran

**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:** Marie Wells, Janice Kaupa,  
Nicolle and Marshal, George Kubista, Dorothy Preem.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **CUSTODIAL FILL IN**

I will be gone from August 15th through August 26th. Dave Baldini will be covering custodial duties while I am on vacation. *Bob Stephan*

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## Upcoming opportunities for laity

### **Questions about Lay Servant Ministries?**

**Contact Bob Kutter**, Minnesota Conference Co-Lay Leader

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[www.minnesotaumc.org/lay-servant-ministries](http://www.minnesotaumc.org/lay-servant-ministries)

### **Breakthrough Workshop with Susan Beaumont**

*Aug. 22, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Cross Winds UMC, Maple Grove*

Learn about streamlining governing structures within churches and how the simplified structures are an essential part of making a congregation more nimble and effective.

### **Stewardship seminar**

*Sept. 27, 9:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Cross Winds UMC, Maple Grove*

Join others for speaker David S. Bell, president and executive director of the United Methodist Foundation in Michigan. Bell will discuss current economic and consumer trends impacting charitable giving from various perspectives.

### **Advanced Lay Servant classes (Aging Ministry)**

This interactive workshop will explore the subtle and not so subtle realities of “growing old” and “ageism” as well as explore the many possibilities of ministry by, with, and for older adults.

*l Oct. 1, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Grace UMC, St. Cloud*

*l Oct. 4, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Normandale Hylands UMC, Bloomington*

### **Ministry for the Second Mile: Ministry with Millennials**

*Oct. 22, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Arlington Hills UMC, Maplewood.*

Join others for a seminar to discover a vision looking forward to a hopeful future, equip people for a new age, and learn how to become part of a new community working together toward success. Leaders include Rev. Tyler Sit,

Rev. Shawn Moore, Rev. Jeremiah Lideen, and Hannah Tjoflat.

**Sign up for these events at [www.minnesotaumc.org](http://www.minnesotaumc.org)**

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

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8/21/2016 (Sun.) 9:30 a.m.-Worship Service with Rev. Robert Hunter  
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

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8/22/2016 (Mon.) Faith Messenger Mailed this week  
2:00-3:00 p.m.-UMW Unit Meeting

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8/23/2016 (Tues.) 10:15-11:15 a.m.-Sit and Fit (Youth Room)  
3:00-4:30 p.m.-Conversation, Bible and Friends

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8/24/2017 (Wed.) 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.-Some Time Away

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8/26/2016 (Fri.) 10:00-11:00 a.m.-Worship at Colony Court

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8/28/2016 (Sun.) Pancake Mix Sunday  
9:30 a.m.-Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

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\*Lakeview Room \*\*Fellowship Hall