

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

5th Sunday After the Epiphany

February 8th, 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. We extend a special welcome to our visitors and, if you don't have a regular place of worship, to consider making Faith United Methodist Church your church home.*

ENTRANCE

NEWS OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

WELCOME

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP....."Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"...UMH No. 349

PASSING OF THE PEACE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Light of the world shine forth in our hearts to gives us light in the dark, hope in despair and courage in the face of our fears.

HYMN OF CELEBRATION:....."He Touched Me"...UMH No. 367

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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*All who wish may stand.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red book)

TFWS = The Faith We Sing (thin black book)

Nursery available for babies - 3 year olds

RESPONSIVE READING.....PSALM 147:1-11

L: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

All: The LORD builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the outcasts of Israel.

L: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

All: He determines the number of the stars; He gives to all of them their names.

L: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

All: The LORD lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

L: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

All: He covers the heavens with clouds; He prepares rain for the earth; He makes grass grow on the hills. He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

L: His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor His pleasure in the legs of a man, but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear Him, in those who hope in His steadfast love.

L: This is the Word of The Lord for the people of God.

All: THANKS BE TO GOD

ANTHEM.....“You Are My All In All”...Faith Choir

KIDS TIME.....“Do Angels Watch You Brush Your Teeth?”

SUNDAY SCHOOL (All children ages 4-6th grade are invited to attend our Sunday School at this time. Please go to the back of the sanctuary to meet your teacher.)

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....John 5:1-17

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be healed?” The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water

is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.” Jesus said to him, “Get up, take up your bed, and walk.” And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Now that day was the Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, “It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed.” But he answered them, “The man who healed me, that man said to me, ‘Take up your bed and walk.’ ” They asked him, “Who is the man who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk?’ ” 13 Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you.” 15 The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. 16 And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. 17 But Jesus answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I am working.”

THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THANKS BE TO GOD

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE..... “The Man By the Pool”... Pastor Victor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING..... "Give Thanks"...TFWS No. 2036

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

* CLOSING HYMN..... “On Eagles Wings”...UMH No. 143

SENDING FORTH.....I THESSALONIANS 3:11-13

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. **Amen**

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,
Rosalind Peterson, Gerri Peterson

Colony Court: Millie Groh , Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg,
Leona Quast

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken, Don Lohse

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI: Marlene Rietfort

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Those who also need our prayers: Willie Mahler

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Rodger and Vada Dahnert, Bruce and Deb Hering, Leona Quast, Jim Barber, Dave and Joann Eggness, Kookie Kukacka, Deloris Asmus, Peter Fog, Jim Keller, Floyd Lamont, Marilyn Possin, Linda Lohse and her mother Betty, Pastor David Crow is battling Bladder Cancer and needs prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wanted: *Two volunteers are needed.* We need a volunteer to find **greeters** each month and a volunteer to find **nursery attendants**. Both voluntary positions are open and need to be filled ***immediately***. Thank you.

Sherry Scholljegerdes' Haiti Presentation will be shown again on **Sunday, February 15** in the back of the **Fellowship Hall**.

For all current members of Faith, men and women, who are past/or present members of the armed forces (veterans), I am constructing a bulletin board for all to see. What I need is any military snapshot of yourself (no larger than 4 x 6 or smaller), the branch you served in, your name, and the dates you served. Please bring your photo to the church office or mail it to the church. When all photos are received, I will begin the project. We can add "snow birds" pictures when they return to Waseca. Many thanks, Bob Stephan.

Reminder: The Relay for Life Garage Sale will be held the first week of May. We will accept any items you wish to donate - furniture, clothing, jewelry, Christmas items, etc. No prices will be put on the items, as they are paid for by donation. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. If you won't be able to deliver your items, please contact Vada Dahnert or Sue and Dave Baldini. Thanks to our 'Church Family' for planning ahead to make donations for this event. With your support, our garage sale will be a huge success.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

2/8/2015 (Sun.)	9:00 a.m. -Blood Pressure Check 9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service *Sunday School (Ages 4 years - 6th grade) 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship
2/10/2015 (Tues.)	1:30-2:30 p.m. -Lake Shore Communion 3:30-5:00 p.m. -Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)
2/11/2015 (Wed.)	10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. -Some Time Away 1:00-1:30 p.m. -Colony Court Communion 3:15-4:15 p.m. -Lake Shore Video 6:30-8:00 p.m. -Youth Group at Parsonage 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Choir Practice
2/12/2015 (Thur.)	1:00-3:00 p.m. -Faith Crafters and Stitchers (**FH) 1:00 p.m. -Colony Court Communion 6:30-7:30 p.m. -Men of Faith Meeting (**FH) 7:00-8:00 p.m. -Worship Design Meeting
2/13/2015 (Fri.)	Office Closed
2/15/2015 (Sun.)	9:30-10:30 a.m. -Worship Service *Sunday School (Ages 4 years - 6th grade) 10:30-11:30 a.m. -Fellowship

* Lakeview Room
**Fellowship Hall