

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 8, 2026~9:30 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.*

PRELUDE

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, why are you here?

We gather to worship with our hearts and our lives.

People of God, who do you worship?

We worship God, who loves us and teaches us to love.

People of God, how do you worship?

We worship God by breaking the bonds of injustice and freeing the oppressed.

People of God, come, let us worship God, whose glory surrounds us!

May our worship demonstrate God's glory in our neighborhood, community, and the whole earth.

HYMN....."O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"UMH #57, vs. 1-4

UNISON PRAYER

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. Forgive us, God. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, so that, as forgiven and renewed people, we may reflect the love and life of Jesus Christ into our world. In Jesus's name, we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM..... "With All My Heart"Faith Choir

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Unison

Gracious God, You ask that our worship be more than words, that our offerings be more than ritual. Receive these gifts as signs of our willingness to share bread with the hungry, to break chains of injustice, to repair what is broken. May our generosity reflect your mercy and our living mirror your love. Use us and these gifts, so that light might rise in the darkness and hope take root where despair has reigned. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mark LaMont

Psalm 112:1-9

Praise the LORD.

Blessed are those who fear the LORD,
who find great delight in his commands.

Their children will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

Even in darkness light dawns for the upright,
for those who are gracious and compassionate and righteous.

Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

Surely the righteous will never be shaken;
they will be remembered forever.
They will have no fear of bad news;
their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the LORD.
Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.
They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor,
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn^l will be lifted high in honor.

Matthew 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

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

HYMN..... “God Is So Good”TFWS #2056

MESSAGE.....“Salt and Light”Rev. Dong Hun Shin

HOLY COMMUNION.....UMH #9-11

A PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

**Come Holy Spirit, fill our voices with praise, so that all we speak will glorify you.
Come Holy Spirit, give us such faith that we will go wherever you ask us to go.
Come Holy Spirit, help us to be a friend like Jesus.
Come Holy Spirit, warm our hearts, so that as we love our community, they see you.
In the name of Jesus, our Redeemer, we pray. Amen.**

HYMN.....“Christ Beside Me”TFWS #2166

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

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:

Benedictine Owatonna: Les Wells

Colony Court: Margaret Dahnert

Foxdale: Sherry Scholljegerdes

Lakeshore Inn: Peggy Deno

Latham Place: Joe Tollefson, Wally Ruedy

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Gail Sauer, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Anna Born, Lori Schneidewind, Darla Dahnert, Nancy Tollefson, DJ Choi, Karen Ferch, Lona Willaimson, Jon Schultz, Jill Ledbetter, Ed Herbig, Bud Deno, Roger Walker, the people of Minneapolis, the Ukraine, the Middle East, government officials, health care workers, first responders, those who battle cancer, chronic illness and pain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be sure to sign the red attendance pads at the ends of the pews. To assist the ushers, please tear off the page after signing and leave it on top of the attendance pad.

Ruth Circle will be meeting in the Gathering Room on Tuesday, February 10 at 1:00pm. The program will be "Baby Yoda". Please let Roberta know if you can join us.

Please note that Stacy will be out of the office on Monday, February 16.

Please join us for Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00pm.

Greater Waseca Ministerial Association Lenten Soup Lunches will be served on Wednesdays at noon, February 25 through March 25. All lunches will be hosted at St. John Lutheran Church, 401 3rd Ave. NE. Faith UMC will be serving the lunch on March 4.

Bishop Lanette Plambeck and the cabinet of the Minnesota Annual Conference approved discontinuing Rev. Dong Hun Shin's appointment to Faith UMC: Waseca effective June 30th, 2026. Our Conference Superintendent will use information from our church's profile and past consultations in order to assist the Bishop and Cabinet in making a new pastoral appointment. If necessary, Conference Superintendent Woojae Im may consult further with our SPRC chairperson or committee members.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

02/08/2026 (Sun.) 9:30am – Worship Service with Holy Communion
 10:30am – Fellowship

02/10/2026 (Tues.) 1:00pm – Ruth Circle (Gathering Room)

02/11/2026 (Wed.) 7:00pm – Choir Practice (*LV Room)

02/15/2026 (Sun.) 9:30am – Worship Service
 10:30am – Fellowship

Deposits Last week: \$2,822 to operating account; \$150 to trustee’s account

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:30am to 12:30pm

Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 to 12:30pm

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