

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**PALM SUNDAY**  
**MARCH 29, 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

Lenten travelers, the journey to the cross begins with a procession into Jerusalem, a demonstration of Jesus' saving power.

**We come to praise Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!**

The crowds line the path and shout "Hosanna! Save us!" as Jesus rides in, not on a mighty war horse, but on the backs of a donkey and a colt.

**We come to call on Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!**

Lenten travelers, will you come on the journey to Jerusalem, following a Messiah who saves us to live after the pattern of the kin-dom of God, not the kingdoms of this world?

**We come to follow Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!**

HYMN....."All Glory, Laud, and Honor" .....UMH #280

UNISON PRAYER

**Humble God, you have shown us the way to enter all the Jerusalems of this world. You showed us not to enter our lives with fear, but with humility and courage. As we worship this day, we draw upon your example of Jesus on that humble donkey, and we raise our palm branches in rejoicing! We raise our voices, shouting along with your people of every age, “Hosanna in the highest!” Come and save us this day, O Jesus of Jerusalem. Amen.**

ANTHEM..... “Blessed is the King! Hosanna!” .....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.**

CONFIRMATION FOR CARSON TRUE AND KENZIE MORRISSEY (*See Insert*)

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY.....UMH #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Unison

**Humble Savior, you ride into our lives not with force, but with invitation—calling us to follow, to risk, and to trust. We offer what we have with hope in our hearts and praise on our lips. Use these offerings to proclaim your kingdom—where love confronts fear, and peace dares to speak in the shadow of power. Save us, Lord. Use us. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

**Psalm 118:19-29**

Open for me the gates of the righteous;  
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.  
This is the gate of the LORD  
through which the righteous may enter.  
I will give you thanks, for you answered me;  
you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;  
the LORD has done this,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.  
The LORD has done it this very day;  
let us rejoice today and be glad.

LORD, save us!  
LORD, grant us success!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.  
From the house of the LORD we bless you.  
The LORD is God,  
and he has made his light shine on us.  
With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession  
up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will praise you;  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

**Matthew 21:1-11**

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

“Say to Daughter Zion,  
‘See, your king comes to you,  
gentle and riding on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”  
“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”  
“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?”

The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”

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

HYMN..... “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” .....UMH #277

MESSAGE..... “Wrong Expectation” .....Rev. Dong Hun Shin

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..... “Lamb of God” .....TFWS #2113

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:

**Whispering Creek, Janesville:** 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, 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, Terra LaMont, Shelley King, Gary Born, Dan Klampe, Doug Dahnert, the Wells family, 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.

This week we will have Maundy Thursday service on April 2 at 7:00pm with a hand-washing ceremony and holy communion. Good Friday service will be on April 3 at 7:00pm.

### **Easter Sunday, April 5:**

Sunrise service at 7:30am

Easter breakfast following sunrise service

Easter Celebration service at 9:30am with holy communion.

**Spring Luncheon Meeting** – A meeting is planned for Monday, March 30 at 10:00am in the Gathering Room. We need to finalize some of the planning for the Spring Luncheon. Your input is very important so please plan on attending.

The Spring Luncheon is coming up fast. Faith church will be hosting the Spring Luncheon on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a free will offering with the money going to the church budget.

There is a signup sheet, please take a look and see how you may help out. There are supplies needed, funds to help with the cost of some of the items and help to put the luncheon on.

Again. the plan is to make this the BIGGEST AND BEST SPRING LUNCHEON!

Please note that Stacy will be out of the office on Monday, April 6.

We are planning to have a cleanup day of the church gardens and grounds on Saturday, April 25 at 9:00am. In case of inclement weather, we will do the cleanup on May 2.

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We are planning to have a financial update meeting in April once we have all of our first quarter financial reports available. As a reminder, financial statements are available in the church office for church members to review. If you have questions about the statements, please bring them up at the meeting, or ask Jarod if you would like questions answered before then.

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

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03/29/2026 (Sun.)	Confirmation Sunday 9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship
04/01/2026 (Wed.)	7:00pm – Choir Practice
04/02/2026 (Thurs.)	7:00pm – Maundy Thursday Service
04/03/2026 (Fri.)	7:00pm – Good Friday Service
03/29/2026 (Sun.)	7:30am – Easter Sunrise Service 8:00am – Easter Breakfast 9:30am – Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion

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**Deposits March 22: \$2,756.75 to operating account; \$0 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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