FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 5, 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

The music is playing, and God is calling.

We have come to sing and dance with God.

The prayers are flowing, and Spirit is moving.

Breath on us, breath of God.

Christ promises rest and renewal, when we come to him.

We are here, trusting in this sacred promise.

HYMN……"Nearer, My God, to Thee"……UMH #528

OPENING PRAYER (Matthew 11)

"Creator God, you have created us to walk with you. Help us walk with you in this time of worship that we may be strengthened to walk with you all the days of our lives. As we come to you this day, bless us with your grace and your rest, that we may find renewal and the strength to serve with confidence and joy.

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

"Receive these gifts we now bring, God of gifts, and bless them to be gifts for your world. Through our giving, renew others, that they too may know the comfort and rest of living in the arms of your compassion and your love. Amen."

SCRIPTURE READING…….Janet Welch

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

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

HYMN…… "How Firm a Foundation"……UMH #529, vs. 1-3

SERMON……"When We Are Weak"…….Pastor Elden Eklund

HYMN……"How Firm a Foundation"……UMH #529, vs. 4-5

COMMUNION……UMH, pg. 15

A PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH……UMH #681

"For Help for the Forthcoming Day"

Almighty and everlasting God, you have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that all our doings, ordered by your governance, may be always righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN……"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"……UMH #664

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, Ed Herbig
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, Roger Walker, Gary Born, Doug Dahnert, Bob Stephan, Jamie Gilchrist, 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.

Bishop Lanette Plambeck intends to appoint Pastor Elden Eklund to Faith UMC Waseca. The SPRC of Faith UMC and Pastor Elden affirm this decision. The new appointment begins July 1, 2026. We ask you to keep Pastor Elden Eklund in your prayer during this pastoral transition.

Please note that Stacy will be out of the office July 21 through July28.

Stacy's hours for the week are posted on the last page of the bulletin, under "Week at a Glance". Hours may vary during the summer.

The final day of the Waseca County Fair each summer gives our Faith U.M. Church a wonderful opportunity to minister...in song, Scripture, and the message of our Savior Jesus. This year is no exception. We will welcome the (Mike and Tammi) Ferch Family Singers to the Free Stage—and we will all sing, sing, sing! Let's pray for good 'fair' weather' during the entire run of this annual event and mark your calendars for the Sunday morning outdoor worship—July 12 at **10:00am** at the Free Stage. Please note the time.

Vada Dahnert's family is hosting a 90th birthday celebration for her on Sunday, July 12 at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to attend following our Faith at the Fair service. Happy Birthday Vada!

On Saturday, July 11 at 8:30am, we are planning to clean up the shrubbery and perrenials around the foundation of the parsonage. We need volunteers to help so please come if you are able. Many hands make light work!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE…

07/05/2026 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday 9:30am – Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30am – Fellowship
07/11/2026 (Sat.)	8:30am – Parsonage Yard Cleanup
07/12/2026 (Sun.)	10:00am – Faith at the Fair 11:00am – Vada Dahnert 90th Birthday Party (FH)

Deposits June 28: $2,523.05 to operating account; $0 to trustees

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:
Monday: 10:30am – 12:30pm
Wednesday & Thursday: 9:30am – 12:30pm

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