FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY February 16, 2025~9:30 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.

<u>PRELUDE</u>

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose confidence is in God. They will be like a tree planted by the water, sending out roots by the stream. This tree does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are green, its fruit endures. So come, let us place our trust in God! Let us live in blessed faith together!

HYMN......UMH #733

UNISON PRAYER

God of blessings, bless us this day with lives filled with love, caring, generosity, and deep, abiding hope. We pray that your kingdom will dwell among all people, and that we may be instruments of your love and your grace. Open our hearts with the joy of healing a world filled with brokenness and pain. In the name of the one who taught us the ways of light and love, be in our worship and in our very lives. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

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

Source of every blessing, you have planted us beside living waters and nourished our souls with your ways of life. In gratitude, and thanks for the fruit we have born in due season, we return these gifts to you. Bless them with your manifold grace, and multiply them in your mercy. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

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Psalm 1

Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,
and who meditates on his law day and night.
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.
Not so the wicked!
They are like chaff
that the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

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

HYMN......UMH #170

SCRIPTURE READING......Rev. Dong Hun Shin

Luke 6:17-26

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

Looking at his disciples, he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.
Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have already received your comfort. Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,

for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,

for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

<u>MESSAGE</u>.....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......UMH #507

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:

Colony Court: Margaret Dahnert

Lakeshore Inn: Sandy Voshell

Latham Place: Joe Tollefson, Wally Ruedy

Prayer Requests for Sunday: Sue Baldini, Tim Dahnert, Ron Dahnert, Gail Sauer, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, April Lupas, Dennis Dahnert, Tom Kuyper, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Anna Born, Barb Klampe, Sandy Voshell, 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.

Faith's Blessing Box – Just a reminder that we are continuously collecting donations of non-perishable food items and cash donations for Faith's Blessing Box (**please no glass jars, no expired items and, during winter months, no canned goods**). If you would like to donate food items, suggested items at this time are pouched meat, ramen noodles, oatmeal or other hot cereals, and regular cereal (smaller boxes or bags of cereal so they will fit in the pantry). Thank you!

Elizabeth Circle will meet on Wednesday, February 19 at 2:30 in the Gathering Room.

Please note that Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will be out of the office on Monday, February 17.

Welcome back to Barb! A note to choir members – Choir will sing next Sunday, February 23. Choir practice will resume on Wednesday, February 26.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

02/16/2025 (Sun.)	9:30am – Worship Service
	10:30am – Fellowship
02/17/2025 (Mon.)	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	Administrative Assistant Out of the Office
02/19/2025 (Wed.)	2:30pm – Elizabeth Circle (Gathering Room)
02/23/2025 (Sun.)	Pancake Sunday
	9:30am – Worship Service
	10:30am - Fellowship

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Wednesday & Thursday 9:30am to 1:00pm

Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am o 12:30pm

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