

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018~9:30 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.*

NEWS OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY/ WELCOME

PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP....."Change My Heart, O God".....TFWS No. 2152

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

**Take what is broken and fix it. In our nation, in our communities, in our systems and infrastructures and government. In our homes, churches, families and relationships. In our individual souls. We all harbor brokenness, but there is nothing too big that You cannot overcome it. No situation holds more power over us than You do. Open our hearts to godly change, and go to work restoring and redeeming and repairing. And Lord, show us our part in the process and equip us to go to work alongside You. In Jesus Name, Amen.**

RESPONSIVE READING.....**Psalm 121**

L: I look up to the mountains— does my help come from there? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth!

**All: He will not let you stumble; the one who watches over you will not slumber. Indeed, he who watches over Israel never slumbers or sleeps.**

L: The LORD himself watches over you! The LORD stands beside you as your protective shade. The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon at night.

**All: The LORD keeps you from all harm and watches over your life. The LORD keeps watch over you as you come and go, both now and forever.**

HYMN OF CELEBRATION ..... "America the Beautiful" ..... UMH no. 696

**Holy Communion**  
**Service of Word And Table II**  
**Pg. 12-13**

HYMN OF REPOSE..... "Make Me A Servant" .....TFWS No. 2176

SUNDAY SCHOOL All children are invited to attend Sunday School at this time. Please go to the back of the sanctuary to meet your teacher.

SCRIPTURE READING .....**2 Kings 18:19-25; 32-35; 19:10-19; 35-37**

Then the Assyrian king's chief of staff told them to give this message to Hezekiah: "This is what the great king of Assyria says: What are you trusting in that makes you so confident? Do you think that mere words can substitute for military skill and strength? Who are you counting on, that you have rebelled against me? On Egypt? If you lean on Egypt, it will be like a reed that splinters beneath your weight and pierces your hand. Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, is completely unreliable! "But perhaps you will say to me, 'We are trusting in the LORD our God!' But isn't he the one who was insulted by Hezekiah? Didn't Hezekiah tear down his shrines and altars and make everyone in Judah and Jerusalem worship only at the altar here in Jerusalem? "I'll tell you what! Strike a bargain with my master, the king of Assyria. I will give you 2,000 horses if you can find that many men to ride on them! With your tiny army, how can you think of challenging even the weakest contingent of my master's troops, even with the help of Egypt's chariots and charioteers? What's more, do you think we have invaded your land without the LORD's direction? The LORD himself told us, 'Attack this land and destroy it!' "

Then I will arrange to take you to another land like this one—a land of grain and new wine, bread and vineyards, olive groves and honey. Choose life instead of death! "Don't listen to Hezekiah when he tries to mislead you by saying, 'The LORD will rescue us!' Have the gods of any other nations ever

saved their people from the king of Assyria? What happened to the gods of Hamath and Arpad? And what about the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivvah? Did any god rescue Samaria from my power? What god of any nation has ever been able to save its people from my power? So what makes you think that the LORD can rescue Jerusalem from me?”

“This message is for King Hezekiah of Judah. Don’t let your God, in whom you trust, deceive you with promises that Jerusalem will not be captured by the king of Assyria. You know perfectly well what the kings of Assyria have done wherever they have gone. They have completely destroyed everyone who stood in their way! Why should you be any different? Have the gods of other nations rescued them—such nations as Gozan, Haran, Rezeph, and the people of Eden who were in Tel-assar? My predecessors destroyed them all! What happened to the king of Hamath and the king of Arpad? What happened to the kings of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivvah?” After Hezekiah received the letter from the messengers and read it, he went up to the LORD’s Temple and spread it out before the LORD. And Hezekiah prayed this prayer before the LORD: “O LORD, God of Israel, you are enthroned between the mighty cherubim! You alone are God of all the kingdoms of the earth. You alone created the heavens and the earth. Bend down, O LORD, and listen! Open your eyes, O LORD, and see! Listen to Sennacherib’s words of defiance against the living God. “It is true, LORD, that the kings of Assyria have destroyed all these nations. And they have thrown the gods of these nations into the fire and burned them. But of course the Assyrians could destroy them! They were not gods at all—only idols of wood and stone shaped by human hands. Now, O LORD our God, rescue us from his power; then all the kingdoms of the earth will know that you alone, O LORD, are God.”

That night the angel of the LORD went out to the Assyrian camp and killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers. When the surviving Assyrians woke up the next morning, they found corpses everywhere. Then King Sennacherib of Assyria broke camp and returned to his own land. He went home to his capital of Nineveh and stayed there. One day while he was worshiping in the temple of his god Nisroch, his sons Adrammelech and Sharezer killed him with their swords. They then escaped to the land of Ararat, and another son, Esarhaddon, became the next king of Assyria.

L: THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

**All: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

HYMN OF PRAISE....."Faith of Our Fathers".....UMH No. 710

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE ..... "Invincible" .....Pastor Victor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Doxology" ..... UMH No. 94

\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S GIFTS

\*CLOSING HYMN....."The Battle Hymn of The Republic" .....UMH No. 717

\*SENDING FORTH.....2 Kings 19:19

*Now, O LORD our God, rescue us from his power; then all the kingdoms of the earth will know that you alone, O LORD, are God."*

EXIT MUSIC

**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:**

**Foxdale[Memory Care]:** Ann Swenson

**Colony Court:** Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

**Lakeshore Inn:** Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran

**Latham Place:** Lucille and George Kubista, Elaine Westrum

**Koda Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg

**Prayer Requests from Sunday:** Janice Kaupa, The Paulson Family, Adlene Buss, the Fog Family, Shelley King, Gloria Tollefson, Judy Kozan, prayers for our nation.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SERMON NOTE OUTLINES** are on the table in the Narthex.

**YOUTH GROUP** TBD

**July Fellowship Event - Family Bibles** - On Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup> we are going to have a family bible display. Please get out your family bibles and bring them to church on the 8<sup>th</sup>. We will also have some special music from Bob Stephan.

Reminder to Faith Choir that the choir will sing "We are Singing For the Lord is Our Light" next Sunday, July 8.



Come and join us for a 4<sup>TH</sup> of July Church Potluck Picnic at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone please bring a dish to pass. Plates, cups, plastic eating utensils and a beverage will be provided.

After the picnic, stay and watch the fireworks. There will be lawn games provided. Come and enjoy some fellowship time with prizes to help pass the time.

Come and join the fun at our fourth annual "Pop for a Cure" sponsored by the Faith for a Cure Relay For Life team. There will be popcorn, pop and water available for sale during the fireworks and all proceeds will be going to the American Cancer Society.

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

---

7/01/2018 (Sun.)      Birthday Sunday  
                         9:30 a.m. - Worship Service with Communion  
                         10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
                         10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship  
                         3:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Visitation for Peter Fog at Starkson &  
   Steffel Funeral Home

---

07/02/2018 (Mon.)      10:00 a.m. - Visitation for Peter Fog  
                         11:00 a.m. - Funeral for Peter Fog  
                         **No Conversation, Bible & Friends**

---

07/04/2018 (Wed.)      Independence Day  
                         **Church Office Closed**  
                         6:00 p.m. - Church Potluck Picnic (\*\*FH)

---

07/08/2018 (Sun.)      9:30 a.m. - Worship Service  
                         10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
                         10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fellowship (Family Bible Display)

---

\*Lakeview Room      \*\*Fellowship Hall