

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**September 14, 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.*

PRELUDE

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."

**We proclaim that God's presence is real and alive and thriving!**

Evildoers declare through their actions, "We go through life alone."

**But we see God's grace, faithfulness, and steadfast love in our lives and in the world around us.**

Praise be to God!

HYMN....."Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise".....UMH #103

UNISON PRAYER

**Gracious and loving God, we find it difficult at times to place our trust in you. Too often we rely on our own strength rather than trusting in your hand to hold us, your love to sustain us, and your wisdom to see us through. Forgive us and help us turn to you when we are lost, that we might find our way home. Open our hearts to your grace and love, that we might find guidance and strength for the journey, for ourselves and for one another In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE

*Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.*

ANTHEM....."Just a Closer Walk".....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....."Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" .....UMH #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Unison

**Gracious and loving God, we thank you for these gifts and ask that they be used to help the needy in our community and throughout the world. As we offer you these gifts, we offer ourselves as well, that together we might transform the world with your grace and love. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mary Stauffer

### **Jeremiah 4:22-27**

"My people are fools;  
they do not know me.  
They are senseless children;  
they have no understanding.  
They are skilled in doing evil;  
they know not how to do good."

I looked at the earth,  
and it was formless and empty;  
and at the heavens,  
and their light was gone.  
I looked at the mountains,  
and they were quaking;  
all the hills were swaying.

I looked, and there were no people;  
every bird in the sky had flown away.  
I looked, and the fruitful land was a desert;  
all its towns lay in ruins  
before the LORD, before his fierce anger.

This is what the LORD says:

“The whole land will be ruined,  
though I will not destroy it completely.

### **Luke 15:1-10**

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

Then Jesus told them this parable: “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

“Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.’ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

**THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD!**

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

HYMN.....“Amazing Grace” .....UMH #378, vs. 1-4

MESSAGE.....“We Belong to His Love” .....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..... “Grace Alone” .....TFWS #2162

## 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

**Lakeshore Inn:** Peggy Deno

**Latham Place:** Joe Tollefson, Wally Ruedy

**Prayer Requests for Sunday:** Sue Baldini, Gail Sauer, Kathy Dahnert Johnson, Margaret Dahnert, Les Wells, April Lupas, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Anna Born, Lori Schneidewind, Stuart Kuyper, Darla Dahnert, Nancy Tollefson, DJ Choi, Karen Ferch, Lona Williamson, Vada Dahnert, Jon Schultz, Jill Ledbetter the Ukraine, the Middle East, government officials, health care workers, first responders, those who battle cancer, chronic illness and pain.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Please be sure to sign the red attendance pads at the ends of the pews.

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Please note that due to an appointment later in the morning, on Monday, September 15, Stacy will be in the office from 8:30 to 10:00am

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The Mitten Tree is now up. We will collect hats and mittens through November. Please bring in donations of hats and mittens of all sizes for children of all ages.

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Ruth Circle would like to extend an invitation to a hat show and would like to see you there. The Hat Extravaganza will be on Saturday, September 27 at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a friend!

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The beginning of Fall and return to routines is a great time to consider where your time and talents can be of service to the church. Our worship services and events require volunteers to keep things running smoothly and to share the workload. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex to be added to worship volunteer lists. A sign-up sheet for fellowship servers is available down in the Fellowship Hall.

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Also, don't forget other events we do during the year: Fall Bazaar (coming up on November 1), Spring Luncheon, Church clean-up and other events we may host. All of these events need many volunteers to be successful.

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Fall Bazaar:

A meeting will be held Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in the fellowship hall. Do plan on attending as we finalize our plans for the bazaar. The bazaar is Saturday, November 1st. Would like to see a good turnout, again to make it the BIGGEST and BEST bazaar.

Don't forget to think about bringing something to the Bake Sale or Slightly Used sale. We also welcome any Craft items you make. Vada will be asking individuals if they can make cookies for the Cookie Sale too.

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## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

09/14/2025 (Sun.)	9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship
09/15/2025 (Mon.)	Newsletter Deadline 1:30 – Fall Bazaar Planning Meeting (**FH)
09/17/2025 (Wed.)	7:00pm – Choir Practice (*LV Room)
09/21/2025 (Sun.)	9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship

\*Lakeview Room    \*\*Fellowship Hall

### **Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:**

Monday 8:30 to 10:00am

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

### **Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:**

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

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