

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
October 19, 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

We have gathered once again, Lord of all and Lord of us.

We come to lift our prayers, and to sing your praises once again.

We come to ask and hope and long to see your justice in the land.

We worship in that hope and will work in that Spirit. Amen.

HYMN....."Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"UMH #384

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, we do not keep your word before us always and in all things. Forgive us for pursuing our own desires rather than yours. Forgive us for losing hope in your power to transform the powers of this world. Tune our ears to the sound of your justice. Turn our hearts to your commandments and word of grace. Remember your mercy forever. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

ANTHEM....."Worship Tapestry"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 God, receive these gifts as acts of our faith—faith that keeps moving, faith that keeps hoping, faith that keeps working for justice, even when the world says it’s too late or too little. Shape our prayers into action and our generosity into grace, until your kingdom comes on earth, as it is in heaven. In the name of Jesus, who makes us well. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mary Stauffer

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

Pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: “In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, ‘Grant me justice against my adversary.’

“For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, ‘Even though I don’t fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually come and attack me!’”

And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them

off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

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

HYMN..... “Thy Word Is a Lamp”UMH #601

MESSAGE..... “Always Pray and Never Give Up”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..... “Lord, Speak to Me”UMH #463, vs. 1, 3, 5

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, Darla Dahnert, Nancy Tollefson, DJ Choi, Karen Ferch, Lona Willaimson, Vada Dahnert, Jon Schultz, Jill Ledbetter, Ed Herbig, Bud Deno, 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. We are in the process of updating our directory so please indicate any updates to addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses on the attendance sheets.

We will continue to collect hats and mittens for the Mitten Tree through November. Please bring in donations of hats and mittens of all sizes for children of all ages.

We are still looking for volunteers to sign up in the areas of Communion Steward, Usher and Liturgist to assist with our worship services. The next rotation schedule will begin January 1. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex. Fellowship servers are also needed and the sign-up sheet for that is in the fellowship hall.

Also, it would be helpful to have a back-up person to record the worship service. If anyone is willing to learn how to use the video camera to record the worship service, please let Roger or Jarod know.

Our worship services and events require volunteers to keep things running smoothly and to share the workload.

Fall Bazaar:

Plans are being made for the BIGGEST AND BEST Fall Bazaar which is Saturday, November 1st.

We would welcome any crafts that people might make for the sale. Or if you are a baker, we can always use some great baked goods. If you are doing any fall cleaning, our slightly used sale can use what you want to get rid of.

Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex. Please check them to see where help is needed.

2025-26 Confirmation Orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22 at 7:00pm in the Gathering Room. The orientation is for parents and confirmation students.

On Sunday, October 25th we will again celebrate Pastor Appreciation Sunday for Pastor Dong and DJ. There will be a basket downstairs for cards and well wishes, and there will also be notes for people to use if they forgot their card at home. Thank you. Membership Care Team.

Let's Celebrate!!! Bruce and Lorraine Wick's 70th anniversary. Join us in honoring the happy couple during fellowship today, Sunday, October 19th. Best wishes and congratulations to Bruce and Lorraine on 70 years of marriage!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

10/19/2025 (Sun.)	9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship (Celebration of 70 th Anniversary for Bruce & Lorraine Wick)
10/20/2025 (Mon.)	Newsletter Deadline
10/21/2025 (Tues.)	7:00pm – Leadership Team Meeting (Gathering Room)
10/22/2025 (Wed.)	7:00pm – Choir Practice (*LV Room) 7:00pm – Confirmation Orientation (Gathering Room)
10/26/2025 (Sun.)	Pancake Sunday 9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship (Pastor Appreciation Sunday)

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30am to 12:30pm

Rev. Dong Hun Shin Office Hours this Week:

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

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