

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**23rd Sunday after the Pentecost**

**October 23rd, 2016~9:30 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

\* CALL TO WORSHIP....."Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord" ...TFWS No. 2131

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING PRAYER.....[UNISON]

**Lord our God, through your Spirit help us to live in love with you. Open our eyes to see your goodness and truth surrounding us, your children, even in this troubled world. We look to you, Almighty Father. Protect us in these difficult times. We plead for our country, entrusting it to your care so that love to you may be awakened. Where shall we turn except to you? Where shall we find help except in Jesus Christ, whom you have sent to us to win the victory, to subdue and end all evil in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, and to become Lord, to the glory of your name? Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE....."Be Thou My Vision" ...UMH No. 451

RESPONSIVE READING.....Psalm 65

L: Praise awaits you, O God, in Zion. Vows made to you are fulfilled. You hear prayers; all people approach you.

**All: Our record of sins overwhelms me, but you forgive our acts of rebellion. How blessed is the one whom you choose, and allow to live**

**in your palace courts. May we be satisfied with the good things of your house— your holy palace.**

L: You answer our prayers by performing awesome acts of deliverance, O God, our savior. All the ends of the earth trust in you, as well as those living across the wide seas.

**All: You created the mountains by your power, and demonstrated your strength. You calm the raging seas and their roaring waves, as well as the commotion made by the nations.**

L: Even those living in the most remote areas are awestruck by your acts; you cause those living in the east and west to praise you.

**All: You visit the earth and give it rain; you make it rich and fertile with overflowing streams full of water. You provide grain for them, for you, prepare the earth to yield its crops.**

L: You saturate its furrows, and soak its plowed ground. With rain showers you soften its soil, and make its crops grow.

**All: You crown the year with your good blessings, and you leave abundance in your wake. The pastures in the wilderness glisten with moisture, and the hills are clothed with joy. The meadows are clothed with sheep, and the valleys are covered with grain. They shout joyfully, yes, they sing.**

ANTHEM....."Amazing Grace"...Faith Choir

KIDS TIME..... “ The Great Treasure”



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.....**Luke 17:3-11**

Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, ‘I repent,’ you must forgive him.” The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. “Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink’? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’ ”

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

**All: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH AND OUR COMMUNITY

MESSAGE.....Character: “A Forgiving Heart” ...Pastor Victor Waters

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING....."Give Thanks" ...TFWS No. 2036

\*THANKSGIVING FOR GOD’S GIFTS

**For all we have. For all we are and For all we will be we give you thanks.**

**Amen.**

\* CLOSING HYMN....."Open Our Eyes, Lord" ...TFWS No. 2086

\*SENDING FORTH..... **Luke 17:3-4**

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EXIT MUSIC

**REMEMBER OUR CHURCH & MILITARY 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 Memory & Care Suites:** Ann Swenson, Dick Westrum

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

**Lakeshore Inn:** Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken

**Latham Place:** Liz Corchran

**Oaklawn Health Care Center:** Jim Keller

**Tower Light, St. Louis Park:** Darlene Lynch

**Those who also need our prayers:** Willie Mahler [Home Hospice]

**Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship:** Bruce & Deb Hering, Peter & Verna Fog,  
Marilyn & Dan Possin, Chuck Youngberg, Millie White, Wally Ruedy.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Additional funds are needed to cover the cost of the Simpson meal.**

**Please, help if you can.**

Hy Vee Bill for October Meal was	950.00
Collected to date for this fall	670.00
Balance from last spring	88.38
<b>Total available to date</b>	<b>758.38</b>
Funds still needed	191.62



**Mitten Tree:** I know, I know, it's early-but...we need to send SCARVES, HATS, MITTENS, and GLOVES to the Neighborhood Service Center for distribution as soon as the snow flies. Won't you please get those knitting needles out and shop early to help fill up our tree? Both giver and receiver will be blessed! Thank you.



**Marilyn Possin's temporary address is:**

Shaller Shalom East 740 Kay Ave. St. Paul, MN 55102



**Trunk or Treat** will be on **Monday, October 31st**, from **5:00-7:00 p.m.** in the church parking lot. If you are able to have a trunk please come. If not, you can donate candy by the bag or write a check. Thanks for your help.

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### **ANNUAL FALL MISSION BAZAAR – SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5**

Our Annual Fall Mission Bazaar at Faith Church, sponsored by UMW, has now become an all-church event, so we are urging everyone in our Faith family to take part. There is great need for contributors and workers so please check the sign-up sheets for areas where you feel you could help. (Questions welcome) We will accept monetary donations as well.

The Bazaar will feature the following booths: \*Baked Goods, \*Cookies, \* Gifts & Crafts, \*Gently Used, \* Silent Auction.

We ask you to please observe the following guidelines:

\*Gently Used booth --NO CLOTHING; all items must be in very good condition

## *silent* AUCTION

### \*Silent Auction

- Donated items must have a value of \$20.00 MINIMUM
- Items may be brought to church Sunday morning, Oct. 30 OR between the hours of 2:00 & 4:00 on Weds. Nov. 2
- Sign-up sheets for Auction items will be available for several weeks prior to the event.
- BIDDING will take place the day of the Bazaar, Sat. Nov. 5 only, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and closing at noon.

Our luncheon includes homemade vegetable soup, freshly-baked bread, assorted pies, and coffee.

We thank our local community for their support, but remember it takes the time, talents, and resources of our whole church for a successful event! May we count on your help? Thank you!

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Today we are celebrating Pastor Appreciation Sunday for Pastor Victor and Patrice. A basket is downstairs for cards and well wishes that you may have brought. If you forgot your card, notes will be available for you to use for this. Thank you for your thoughtfulness! Janet Welch, Membership Care.

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

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10/23/2016 (Sun.)      Pancake Mix Sunday/Pastor Appreciation Sunday  
9:30 a.m.-Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

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10/24/2016 (Mon.)      Faith Messenger mailed this week

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10/25/2016 (Tues.)      3:00-4:30 p.m.-Conversation, Bible & Friends (\*LV Room)  
4:00 p.m.-Aging Mastery at Waseca Senior Center  
5:15 p.m.-Church Council Meeting (\*LV Room)

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10/26/2016 (Wed.)      10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.-Some Time Away (\*\*FH)  
7:00 p.m.-Choir Practice (\*LV Room)

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10/28/2016 (Fri.)      10:00 a.m.-Devotion at Colony Court  
6:00 p.m.-Rehearsal for Green/Becker Wedding

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10/29/2016 (Sat.)      1:00 -5:00 p.m.-Green/Becker Wedding

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10/30/2016 (Sun.)      9:30 a.m.-Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.-Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.-Fellowship

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\*Lakeview Room    \*\*Fellowship Hall