FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST REFORMATION SUNDAY October 30th, 2022~9:30 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/WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let all who are faithful offer prayers to God. In times of distress, we will not be overwhelmed.

You are our hiding place, O Lord; you preserve us from trouble and surround us with glad cries of deliverance.

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, in Jesus Christ you come to seek and save the lost. You cover us with mercy and uphold us in times of trouble. Even when evil is all around, you show us a vision of justice and empower us with your own Spirit, so that we do not lose hope. All thanks and praise to you, O God, for you come to save us and set us free. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

ANTHEM......Faith Choir Grace, My Chains Are Gone"......Faith Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

God of justice, save your world

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

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord, how can we thank you for such wondrous love? You have covered us with blessing and sustained us with hope. Most of all you have given us your very self, for our life and the life of the world. In gratitude we bring our gifts, for the sake of those you love, in Jesus' name. Amen

<u>HYMN</u>.....UMH #378, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 SCRIPTURE READING......Mark LaMont

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the

name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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

<u>GOSPEL READING</u>.....Pastor Carolyn

Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

MESSAGE		Pastor Carolyn
<u>HYMN</u>	"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"	UMH #664
BENEDICTION		

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:** Joe Tollefson, Shirley Burdick **Janesville Nursing Home**: Nina Youngberg **Lakeshore Inn**: Leona Quast **Foxdale**: Lucille Kubista **Benedictine Living Community:** Chuck Youngberg **New Richland Care Center:** Norma Buland **Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna:** Ardella Draheim **Prayer Requests for Sunday:** Sue Baldini, Tom Kuyper, Roger Groskreutz and family, Gloria Rollag, Kara Ecoff, Norma Buland, government officials, health care workers, first responders, and those who are at risk and most vulnerable to Covid-19, those who battle chronic illness and pain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Saints Sunday is next Sunday, November 6. This is the Sunday we recognize and remember our members who have entered into eternal rest during the past year. This year, we will also have a time to remember all of the loved ones we have lost throughout the years. There will be a table placed at the front of the church and you are encouraged to bring a photo of loved ones you want to remember.

The Church Council has decided to hold our church charge conference after the first of the year to allow us more time to prepare. We will **not** be meeting on November 17 for the charge conference. Please watch future newsletters and bulletins for the new date and more information.

The annual Soup Luncheon is coming up on Saturday, November 5. We will be serving from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please plan to attend. The suggested donation is \$9.00.

Just a reminder: We are still collecting items for the "Soap Closet" for Minnesota Valley Action Council to provide hygiene products to those in need in our county. This is an ongoing project. Please consider donating hygiene items. The collection box and list of needed items is located in the narthex.

October 31st: yes, Halloween. The Fall Luncheon Team will meet at 10:00 in Lake View room Look forward to seeing you there. Men Welcome!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

10/30/2022 (Sun.)	9:30 am - Worship Service	
	10:30 am - Fellowship	
10/31/2022 (Mon.)	10:00 am - Fall Luncheon Team Meeting (*LV Room)	
11/02/2022 (Wed.)	7:00 pm - Choir Practice	
11/03/2022 (Thur.) 10:30 am - Bible Study		
11/05/2022 (Sat.)	11:00 am - 1:00 pm - Soup Luncheon (**FH)	
11/06/2022 (Sun.)	Birthday Sunday	
	All Saints Sunday	
	9:30 am - Worship Service with Holy Communion	
	10:30 am - Fellowship	

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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