

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
CHRIST THE KING/REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY
November 21st, 2021~9:30 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/WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Be glad and rejoice in the Lord our God.

God has blessed us with abundant rain.

The trees bear their fruit.

The threshing floors are full of grain.

The vats overflow with wine and oil

We will eat in plenty and be satisfied.

The earth provides all we need to live.

God has done great things for us.

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HYMN....."We Gather Together".....UMH #131, All verses

UNISON PRAYER

Gift-giver, it is the time of year to gather in the produce of the earth.

And so we give thanks for the gifts of food.

It is the time of year when we admire the bright colors of the season.

And so we pause to give thanks for the beauty of the earth.

**In our time of worship this morning,
Move within and among us, awakening us to Your presence,
moving our hearts to respond to your grace. Amen.**

TIME FOR YOUNG METHODISTS AND FRIENDS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

For all the ways you love us, we say THANK YOU!
For the ways you provide for us, we say THANK YOU!
For the opportunity to give, we say THANK YOU!
For the kingdom work this offering will do, we say THANK YOU!
For letting us be a part of your work, we say THANK YOU!
May the thankful words on our lips
and the thankful meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you,
O God, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

DOXOLOGY.....UMH #95

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Andrea Johnson

SCRIPTURE READING

Joel 2:21-27.....Linda Griffin

Do not fear, O soil;
 be glad and rejoice,
 for the Lord has done great things!
Do not fear, you animals of the field,
 for the pastures of the wilderness are green;

the tree bears its fruit,
the fig tree and vine give their full yield.
O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.
The threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.
I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.
You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.
And my people shall never again be put to shame.
You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then it was said among the nations,
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

The Lord has done great things for us,
and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses in the Negeb.

May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

Those who go out weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,

shall come home with shouts of joy,
carrying their sheaves.

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

Matthew 6:25-33.....Pastor Carolyn

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

MESSAGE.....Pastor Carolyn

HYMN....."Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee".....UMH #89, vs. 1, 4

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, Janice Kaupa

Janesville Nursing Home: Nina Youngberg

Foxdale Memory Care: Elaine Westrum

Lakeshore Inn: Leona Quast

Latham Place: Lucille Kubista

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Traditions Assisted Living Owatonna: Ardella Draheim

Prayer Requests for Sunday: 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

If you have an announcement or prayer request you would like to have shared at Sunday service, please email the church office at faithwaseca@gmail.com by Thursday. If you would like your announcement printed in the bulletin, please e-mail the announcement by Wednesday. If you do not have access to email, you may call the church office at 835-3167. **We also want to hear any joys you have so please email or call the church with any that you would like to share!**

The Mitten Tree is now up. Please bring in mittens, hats and scarves which will be donated to the Neighborhood Service Center.

Please note that Bob Stephan will be out November 25 through 28.

**** Please stay home if you are sick. God will forgive you!**

Also, please stay home if you do not have symptoms but have tested positive for Covid in the last 14 days or are waiting for test results or someone in your household has tested positive.

When you do come to church or visit the church building, please remember to wear a mask at all times.

If you are unable to attend worship, you may view the service online via a link on our Facebook page, Faith United Methodist Church, or our website, wasecafaithumc.com. The service is also aired on the local PEG television channel at the following times:

Sunday 12:30 PM
Tuesday 8:30 AM
Thursday 4:30 PM
Saturday 6:00 PM

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

11/21/2021 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

11/22/2021 (Mon.) 3:00-4:30 pm - Conversation, Bible & Friends (*LV Room)

11/23/2021 (Tues.) 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting (**FH)

11/25/2021 (Thur.) Happy Thanksgiving!

11/28/2021 (Sun.) First Sunday of Advent
9:30 am - Worship Service

*Lakeview Room **Fellowship Hall

Administrative Assistant Hours this Week:

Monday & Wednesday: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

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