

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL to WORSHIP

Our God is with us and has made us all one.

**God has broken down the dividing walls of hostility and strangeness between us.**

Our God is personal, a friend and helper for each of us.  
**Our God, who is Parent of us all, calls us to be the best we can be, to be sisters and brothers together.**

We are, then, no longer strangers and sojourners.

**We are instead follow citizens of this world and members, one and all, of the household of faith. With that as our beginning, let our worship now begin!**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*HYMN UMH #103  
*“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

#### \*METHODIST SOCIAL AFFIRMATION #886

### CHILDREN’S MOMENT

#### BAPTISM OF ELYSSE DEE MERKEL

Daughter of Alexys and Corey Merkel. Elysse’s sponsors are Tyson Simon and Beth Apland.

#### CONGREGATIONAL PLEDGE UMH #44

Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care, Elysse Dee whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that she may grow in the

knowledge and love of God, through our Savior Jesus Christ?

**With God’s help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Elysse, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

### SHARING of JOYS, CONCERNS and GOD MOMENTS

### SILENT PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### OUR LORD’S PRAYER

**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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

\*HYMN *“Saranam, Saranam”* UMH #523

SCRIPTURE I John 4:7-11, 18-21

SERMON *“The Cold Within”*

### COMMUNION

### THE RECEIVING OF OUR GIFTS

## OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY *“Give Thanks”* TFWS #2036  
**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks, because God’s given Jesus Christ, the Son.**  
**And now, let the weak say, “I am strong”; Let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.” Give thanks!**

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We bring these gifts in humility to You, Lord. Give us open hearts to also bring the gifts that truly bring joy to your heart... the gifts of compassion, mercy and the desire for nurture and justice for all your loved people around the world. Use us, Lord, send us in your name. Amen**

\*HYMN TFWS #2237  
*“As A Fire Is Meant For Burning”*

### \*THE BENEDICTION

### This Week At Faith UMC

Today	6:00 Cowboy Worship
Monday	Handbell Rehearsal
Wednesday	6:00 Soup Supper
	6:30 Lenten Worship
	7:00 Confirmation
Thursday	6:00 SPRC

### Backpack Program

Schwan's will give the Backpack program 20% of all online and phone orders through **March 8<sup>th</sup>**. For existing accounts enter campaign ID 25802. For others use [www.schwans-cares.com/c/25802](http://www.schwans-cares.com/c/25802) or call 855-870-7208

### Minnesota Food Share March Campaign

Come one, come **all** to help gather food shelf items! On Saturday, March 19, 10:30 a.m.-noon we encourage **all** who are willing and able to help in collecting items throughout the community of Spring Valley. We will go door-to-door asking for donations. Items or cash are acceptable. Permission forms will be available on the bulletin board and **all** participants are asked to complete a form. Food Shelf items needed are listed in the March newsletter online: <http://faithsv.net/newsletter>. A light lunch will be served at the conclusion of the collection. Questions: Kathy Casady at [casadykathy@gmail.com](mailto:casadykathy@gmail.com) or cell: 507-440-7494. Thank you!

*Proverbs 22:9 A generous person will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor.*

### Faith Family Finances

Amount needed each week	\$ 3,837.78
Amount received 2/28/16	\$ 3,966.26
Amount budget to date	\$38,377,80
Amount received to date	\$26,989.44
Attendance 02/28/16	83

Health kit up-date. We have 25 of our goal of 50. Thank you to Ruth and Rachel Circles, Linda Jacobson, Arlene Johnson and everyone else how has donated cash or health kits. Cash, kits or supplies for kits are due by mid-May.

The Kingsland Backpack Food Program has earned \$200.00 so far through the Schwan's Cares fundraiser administered through the Spring Valley Area Ministerial Foundation.

FUMC's Education Committee is hosting a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser Palm Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, following church service. Menu includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee, juice, & milk. Your free will donation will benefit FUMC's Sunday School program, so please join us for good food and fellowship!

March Madness has begun. That is MN **FoodShare** madness. During the month of March, please bring in food, diapers, laundry detergent and/or cash for the Spring Valley Area Food shelf. *Cash is best*, since the food shelf can buy more with your dollar than you can. Make checks payable to "FUMC" and write "Food Share" in the memo. Suggestions for giving: Week 1- Pasta and cereal; Week 2- Canned meats, chili, stew, tuna etc. Week 3- Diapers, wipes and laundry detergent; Week 4- Canned fruit, vegetables and 100% juice. Of course whatever you want to donate, will be greatly appreciated. The goal is 1,000 dollars/pounds. (\$1.00= 1 lb.) Let's all chip in and help our neighbors in need. Thank you.

## FAITH UNITED METHODIST FOURTHY SUNDAY IN LENT March 6, 2016



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