

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)

CHORAL INTROIT

Faith Choir

*CALL to WORSHIP

Oh God, who breathes life into all creation, you gave words of life to the prophets of old.

You came bringing new life into the world in Jesus Christ.

We are grateful for your presence among us in this time of worship and in the new day before us.

May our hearts be open to your Spirit and our wills receptive to your leading.

Just as we greet you this morning in worship, let us also greet each other in the name of your son who draws us into community!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN

UMH #163

"Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"

*A UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Eternal Spirit, let us be your people, reaching out, feeling, caring for each other as a community of love where Christ is felt and shared.

Kindle our concern for the lonely, the loser, the hopeless and the fearful. As the People of God, make us aware and involved.

Lead us in your Way, O God. Make us open and loving. Give us the honesty to confess our faults, and the back bone to correct them.

Turn us around. Show us your direction for the Church, which stands in the whirl of today, on the edge of tomorrow.

Through your Love, call us into greater intimacy as your family. Unite us as the People of God, and make us ready to extend ourselves in your world.

BAPTISM OF KIERA MARGARET

Daughter of Katie and Ryan Montgomery

Kiera's sponsors are Megan Montgomery and Sierra Ebert

CONGREGATIONAL PLEDGE UMH #44

Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care, Kiera Margaret 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 Kiera, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR Melissa Erdman directing

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

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 9:11-15, 24-28

SERMON *"Scapegoat for the World"*

THE RECEIVING OF OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM *"How Great the Love"* Faith Choir

*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

God of Awe and Glory, receive these gifts as symbols of our trust in you. Bless the givers and those who desired to give. Multiply these offerings and the blessings they represent.

Guide the disbursement of them according to your will. Amen.

*HYMN "Go Forth for God" UMH #670

*BENEDICTION

MUSIC

The preschool children will be singing "Butterfly Song" and the K-6 will be singing "Here I Am Lord" and "Every Move I Make" today during the service. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR APRIL – March 21 at 4:00 p.m.

FOOD FOR KIDZ

Volunteers are needed to help on April 1 at the Stewartville Civic Center to package 120,000 meals. No experience necessary. Shifts are 2 hours long from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and you can sit or stand or do a combination of both. For more information call 346-2044. Signup sheets at each church.

MARCH FOODSARE MONTH

We are almost half way to our 1,000 cash/pounds goal. Last week \$186.00 was donated, bringing our total to 420. Last week's food will be included in this week's donations. Next Sunday will be the last Sunday to make your donations. Cash is best since our food dollar goes further at Channel One than our dollar at the grocery store. Please make checks payable to "Faith UMC" and write "Food Share" in the memo. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH LENTEN SERVICES

On Wednesdays through Lent you are invited for a light supper at Faith UMC beginning at 5:45 p.m. followed by worship at 6:30 p.m. Our theme this year is "Encounters on the Road to the Cross".

3/22	5:45 pm	Soup Supper at Faith
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service at Faith
3/29	5:45 pm	Soup Supper at Faith
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service at Faith
4/5	5:45 pm	Soup Supper at Faith
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service at Faith
4/13	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service Faith
4/14	7:00 pm	Good Friday Service Cherry Grove

YOUTH LOCKIN

There will be a youth lock in at Faith UMC on 3/31st starting at 6:00 pm and ending on 4/1 at 8:30 am for students 4th-8th grades. Each student is challenged to collect as many food items as they can from friends and family. The student who brings the most items to the lock in will receive a gift card. Students are invited to bring a friend.

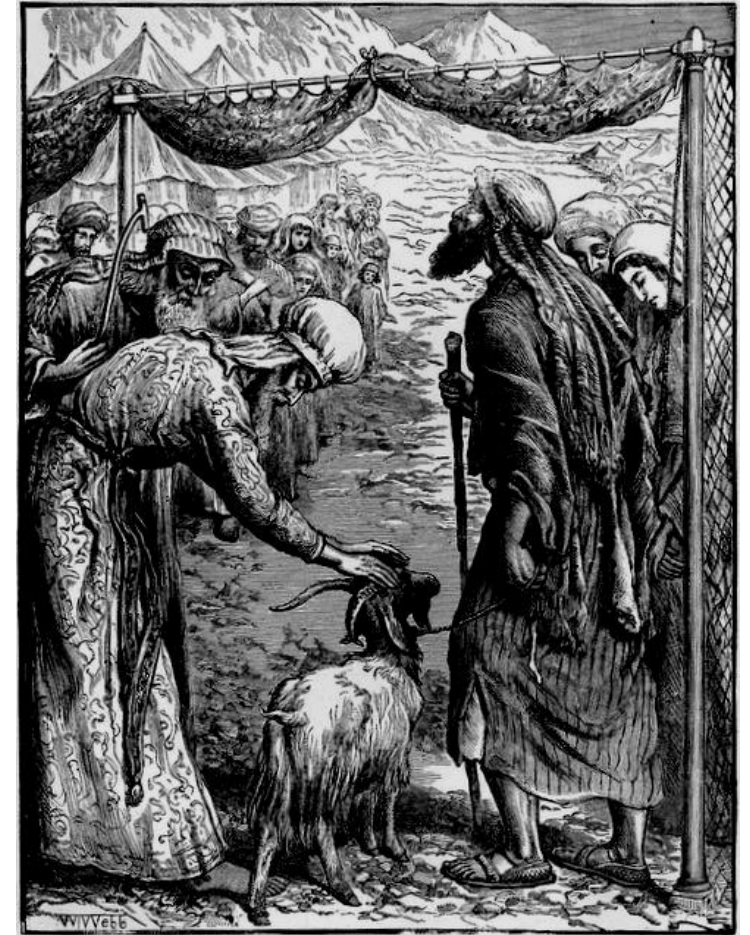
OUR SCHEDULE

3/20	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
3/21	7:00 pm	Root River Revelers Rehearsal
3/22	5:45 pm	Soup Supper
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service at Faith
3/26	9:00 am	Worship
	10:00 am	Sunday School/Coffee
3/27	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
3/29	5:45 pm	Soup Supper
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service at Faith
3/31	6:00 pm	Youth Lock in Grades 4-8

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Third Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2017



**Rev. David Lieder & Rev. Deanna Woodward
In Ministry Together With the People Of
Fountain, Cherry Grove and Spring Valley**