

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MAPLE LEAF PARISH
SEPTEMBER 18, 2011
9:00 A.M.**

The asterisk () indicates those times in the worship when those who are able are invited to stand, if you choose to do so.*

**PRELUDE
CHORAL INTROIT
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

***CALL to WORSHIP**

L: It is a wondrous thing to stand in the presence of a holy God;

P: As high as the heavens are above the earth, so are God's ways above our ways.

L: But we can come in confidence, because in Christ we have become God's children.

P: Come, let us worship, let us kneel before the God who has created and claimed us!

*HYMN *"To God Be the Glory"* UMH 98

*** OPENING PRAYER**

O God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by the perfection of our actions, but by our readiness to live boldly by faith. Help us, as individuals and as a congregation, to trust you and follow where you lead, that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

THE SCRIPTURE Ephesians 2:1-10

CHORAL ANTHEM *"Alleluia"*

THE SCRIPTURE Matthew 20:1-16

THE MESSAGE *"But It isn't Fair!"*

*HYMN *"Grace Alone"* TFWS 2162

**SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER
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.

THE RECEIVING of our TITHES and OFFERING
Offertory Music
Presentation of our Offering
**Doxology (No. 95 UMH)*
**Prayer (Unison)*

O God, as we toil and labor in our work and in the Church, we know that there have been far too many times when we have grumbled about those who seem to have more than they deserve. Help us to recognize the incredible blessings that we have received and guide us in learning how we can share those blessings in a hurting world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN *"Freely, Freely"* UMH 389

***THE BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Sunday at Faith UMC will be October 2nd. Brandon Hammersma and Hannah Ramaker will be confirmed this year!

MEN AT THE CROSS

Autumn Ridge Church in Rochester will be sponsoring "Men at the Cross" on Friday, September 23rd, from 6:00 PM till 10:45 PM. See Jeff Kappers for details or go to www.menatthecross.org to register online.

SERVICE GROUP CHANGES

Please notify Darlene Vrieze of any changes to the 2011-2012 service group phone numbers or member info for inclusion in the October Newsletter.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE - Wednesday, September 21st at 3:00 pm.

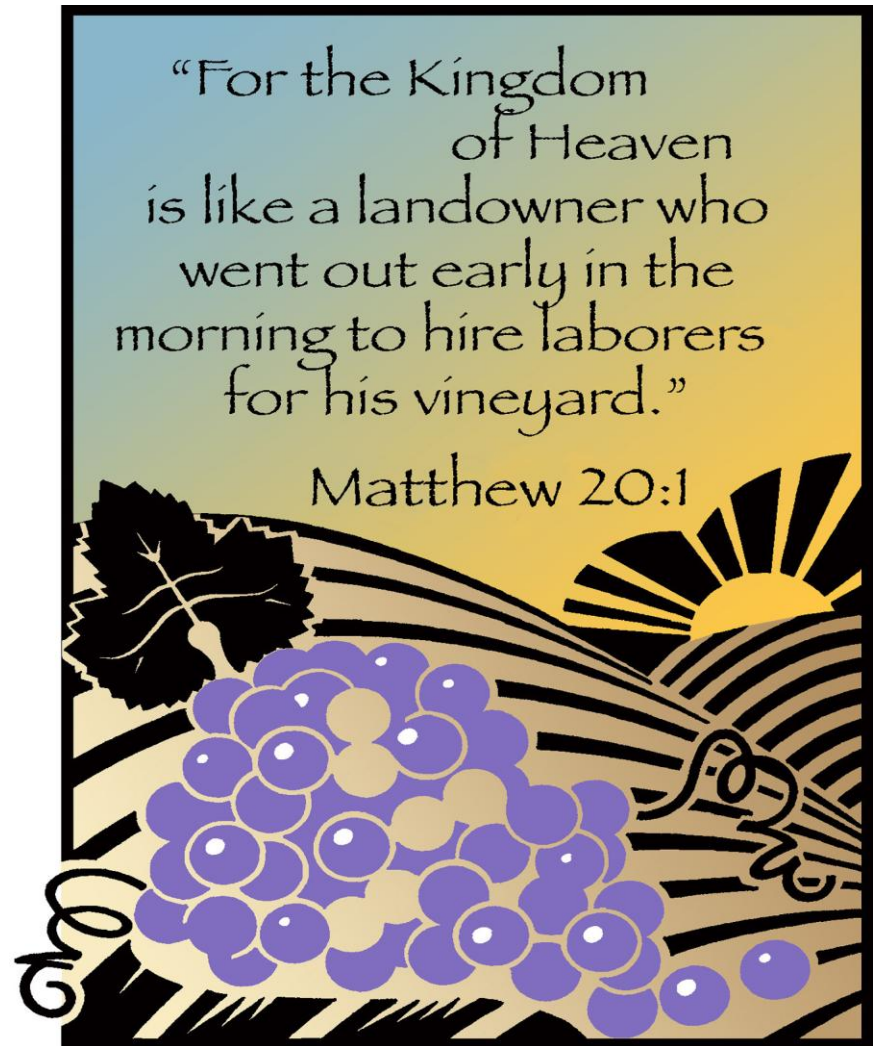
CHURCH CALENDAR

September 19	(Donne Tammel funeral at Root River Church of the Brethren – Pastor Mark)
6:00 pm	Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal
September 20, 10:00 am	Meeting in Fireside Room
6:30 pm	Finance Meeting
7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
September 21	9:30 am R achel Circle at Hillside
1:30 pm	Sarah Circle at church
September 23, (Jenna Tammel wedding outside of Cherry Grove – Pastor Mark)	
September 24	5:00 pm Worship – special music by Carla Ness
September 25	7:45 am Worship Committee Meeting
9:00 am	Worship – Children sing
10:00 am	Sunday School for all ages
	Coffee & Fellowship
5:00 pm	Youth Meeting

The Media Team is looking for 2 or 3 more volunteers to learn to run the computer and record the service. If you have an interest in learning how this amazing technology works and helping the Media Team to make our worship experience more meaningful, please talk to Jeff Kappers or Pastor Mark.

Our **Church Website** is now up and running on our new server. It will, however, take us some time to go back and add some of the newer content that we did not have space for with our old provider. Please bear with us during this time. Because of the home page addressing system used by our old server you **might** not be able to access our site now if you had our address saved under your browser favorites. If this is the case simply type our URL into your address bar (<http://www.faithsv.net>) and then select “Bookmark This Page” after our site opens (and delete the old bookmark).

Finally, we will need to replace the Masthead on our site as our current one was provided by our old server. We’ll likely try to create one from three or four pictures of our life together at Faith UMC, perhaps built around the sanctuary picture that is on the front of our last Church Directory. If you have pictures that you think fit (preferably digital), please contact Pastor Mark a.s.a.p. Also note that any pictures containing children would need the permission of their parents to be displayed.



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