

# *Welcome to Worship!*

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 11, 2018



“God is Faithful”

*“Faith in God always expresses itself in faithfulness.” (Robert Bryant)*



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### **Helping People 'Say Yes' to God**

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*Welcome to worship at First UMC Baraboo. Our mission is 'Helping people 'Say Yes' to God. "Do no harm, do all the good you can and stay in love with God" are the three simple rules we seek to live by. As you wait for worship to begin, please sign the pew pad register. If you are a first time guest, please fill out a visitor card found in the pew racks. Children are always welcome in worship; 'busy bags' are available just outside the door to fellowship hall. Our staffed nursery is available for children infants thru age five.*

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Prelude

*Barb Kell, Worship Musician*

Ring of the Bell / Welcome

Introit

*"Zaccheaus" (Arr. by Sandra Eithun)*

*The Bell Choir*

†Call to Worship

Give thanks to the LORD because he is good, because his faithful love lasts forever!

**Let them thank the LORD for his faithful love and his wondrous works for all people,**

because God satisfied the one who was parched with thirst,  
**and he filled up the hungry with good things!**

†Hymn

*"He Has Made Me Glad"*

*The Faith We Sing #2270*

†Greeting One Another and Passing the Peace of Christ

Jesus said, "Peace I leave you, a peace the world cannot give."

Peace always be with you. **And, also with you.**

Let's offer one another a sign of peace.

Children's Message

Bell Choir Selection

*"With Timbrel and Dance" (Margaret Tucker)*

*The Bell Choir*

Reading from the Hebrew Scripture

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Reading from the Christian Scripture

Mark 12:38-44

The Word of God for all God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

†Hymn

"I Surrender All"  
*The U.M. Hymnal #354*  
Verses 1, 2 & 3

Sermon

"God is Faithful"

Offering

†Offering Response

"How Great Thou Art"  
*The U.M. Hymnal #77 (refrain only)*

**Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee,  
How great thou art, how great thou art,  
Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee,  
How great thou art, how great thou art.**

†Prayer of Dedication (spoken by Liturgist)

We recognize that the greatest gift is the gift of love.  
May our offerings distribute this love to the world:  
the small world we inhabit with the suffering people we know;  
the larger world where the power of love is sorely needed. Amen.

†Hymn

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"  
*The Faith We Sing #2191*

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Veteran's Day / Remembrance Day

*(Rev. Marjory Macaskill, Chaplain University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland)*

Where swords are turned to ploughshares and spears to pruning hooks.  
Where the guns fall silent and the rumors of war cease. We see the love  
of God written on the hearts of men and women, and offer our  
thanksgiving to God.

**Where people say, "I am my brother's keeper" and the guardian of  
his days. Where mothers' sons grow old in lands free from strife.  
We see the love of God written on the hearts of men and women  
and offer our thanksgiving to God.**

Where enemies destroy the barriers that divide and no man's land  
becomes home to each and all. Where color, creed and nation unite,  
we see the love of God written on the hearts of men and women, and  
offer our thanksgiving to God.

**Where silent remembering inspires songs of freedom, justice, truth, and the sacrifice of old shapes the passion for our future. Where those who gave their lives and youth let us age in years and wisdom. We see the love of God written on the hearts of men and women, and offer our thanksgiving to God.**

Where courage never fades in the battle for the right and power is given to the weak, the least, the last. Where compassion finds a home to root out fear, mistrust or pride, we see the love of God written on the hearts of men and women and offer our thanksgiving to God.

**For the love of Father, Son and Spirit is the source of human love. The fire of God within us. Shedding light upon our path. Write this love upon our hearts, God, as we offer you our thanks through Jesus Christ our savior who offers life to us. Amen.**

Prayer Hymn "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"  
*The Faith We Sing #2193*

Joys & Concerns  
*After you share a joy or concern, you are invited to add "God of healing" or "God of celebration" or use other appropriate wording and then the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer!"*

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer *The U.M. Hymnal #895*

Announcements

†Hymn "The Gift of Love"  
*The U.M. Hymnal #408*

†Benediction

†Postlude † = *Please rise if you are able*

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### **SERVING YOU TODAY...**

Pastor ..... Marianne Cotter  
Liturgist ..... Wendy Schneider  
Church Opener ..... Judy Ellington  
Greeter(s) ..... Jim & Becky Hovde  
Ushers ..... Leon Miller & Jason Moll  
A/V Powerpoint & Booth ..... Mike Hanson & Jim Cotter  
Bell Choir Director ..... Deanna Horjus-Lang  
Worship Musician ..... Barb Kell  
*Thank you to the Bell Choir for providing special music!*