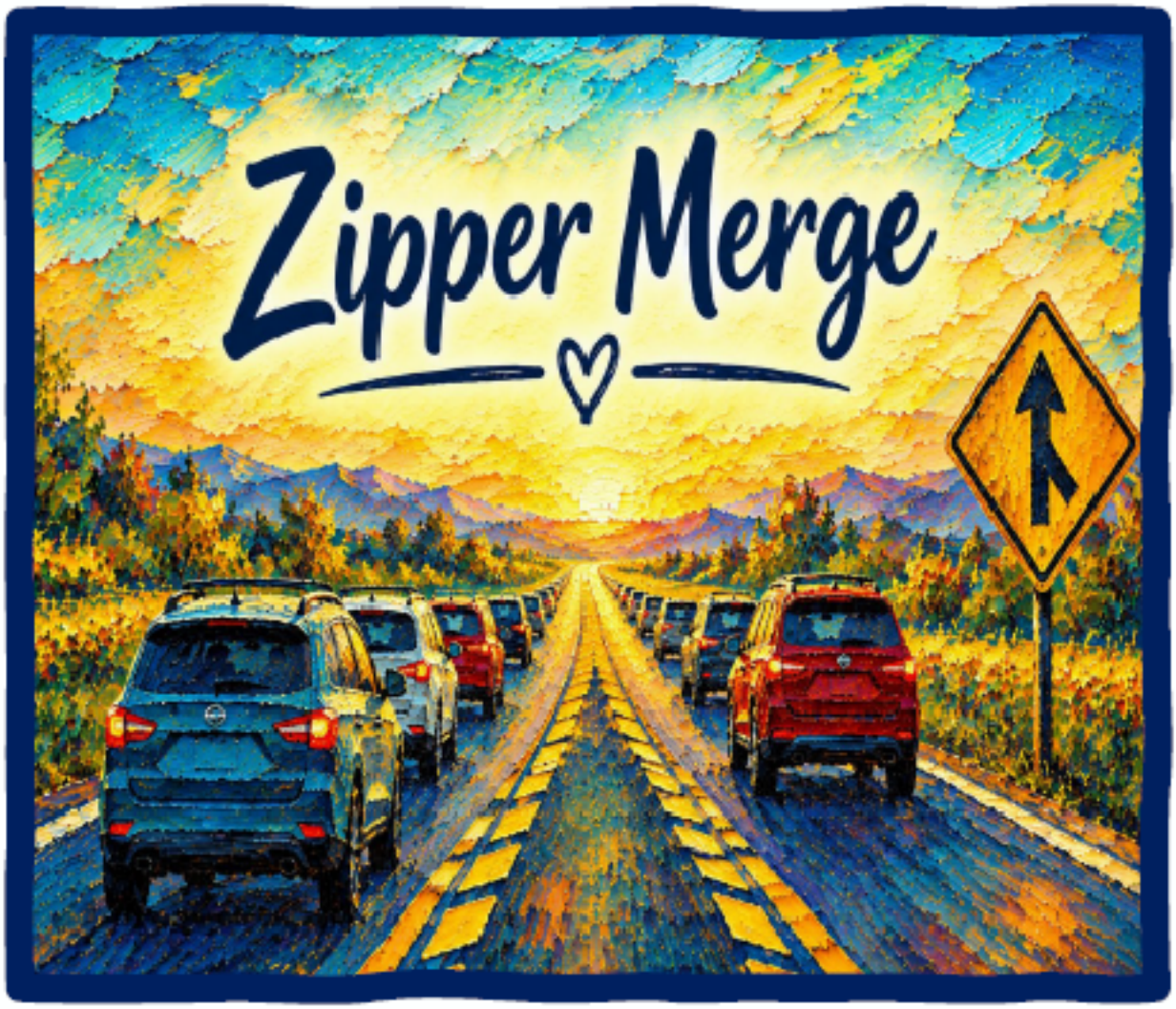
Fourth Avenue
United Methodist Church



“Zipper Merge”

Sunday, October 18, 2026

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

***The Gathering**
We are chosen children of God, bound together by the Holy Spirit.
We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.
The Spirit empowers us to live as imitators of Christ in love of God, neighbor, self, and all creation.
We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.
The Spirit inspires us to receive God's Word with joy in a world that rejects the good news.
We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.
Come, let us worship in the assurance of God's love that chooses us, empowers us, and inspires us to live as the family of Christ.
We come to worship God in the assurance that we belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another. Amen.

***Invocation**
Rescue us, Lord, from ourselves. Show us your way.
Guide our every action, that we may live as you call us to live. Amen.

***Hymn**	O God, Our Help in Ages Past	UMH #117
Scripture Reading	2 Kings 4:1-7	
REM Report		Nicholas Sonpon
Scripture Reading	Matthew 14:13-21	
Message	"Zipper Merge"	Pastor Shawn

* Please stand if able

All Church Address

*Hymn *Blessed Assurance* UMH #369

Celebration of Generosity
Offertory
*Doxology UMH #95
*Offering Prayer

Prayers of the People

The 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 *Bind Us Together* TFWS #2226

*Benediction

Postlude

Please join us for fellowship in the annex after worship!

BEAU CHANT CONCERT

Today is the day! Come to The Cathedral of our Merciful Saviour at 3:00pm to hear Beau Chant perform. This is a fundraising concert as they are preparing for their upcoming June 2027 performance at Carnegie Hall in New York. All proceeds will go to the member your ticket was purchased from. Ticket prices are $25.

LAKELANDERS CONCERT

Join the Lakelanders as they present "United in Song" on Sunday, October 24th at 3:00pm. This performance will be at Faribault Evangelical Free Church. Admission is FREE.

FALL SOUP SALE – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Our Fall Soup Sale is coming up on the first three Fridays in November **(Nov 6, 13, & 20)**. Orders are already starting to come in! Be sure to check the table in the back of the sanctuary for a list of volunteer opportunities as well as requested donation items. Pick up a poster or more to share.

THE CHOSEN (TV series)

This November, we have a wonderful opportunity to see *The Chosen* on the big screen at Cannon Valley Cinema in Dundas! Ticket prices will start at $6.50. Join us by adding your name to the sign-up sheet in the library!

Pastor Shawn Stoll
pastor@fourthaveumc.org
text/call (701) 429-0309

Wi-Fi Network: 4thAveUMC-GUEST
Password: FamilyOfFaith
Church office 507-334-4308



To give online go to
fourthaveumc.org/give
or scan the QR code.



First Scripture Reading

2 Kings 4:1-7

One day the widow of a member of the group of prophets came to Elisha and cried out, “My husband who served you is dead, and you know how he feared the Lord. But now a creditor has come, threatening to take my two sons as slaves.”

“What can I do to help you?” Elisha asked. “Tell me, what do you have in the house?”

“Nothing at all, except a flask of olive oil,” she replied.

And Elisha said, “Borrow as many empty jars as you can from your friends and neighbors. Then go into your house with your sons and shut the door behind you. Pour olive oil from your flask into the jars, setting each one aside when it is filled.”

So she did as she was told. Her sons kept bringing jars to her, and she filled one after another. Soon every container was full to the brim!

“Bring me another jar,” she said to one of her sons.

“There aren’t any more!” he told her. And then the olive oil stopped flowing.

When she told the man of God what had happened, he said to her, “Now sell the olive oil and pay your debts, and you and your sons can live on what is left over.”

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:13-21 (NLT)

As soon as Jesus heard the news, he left in a boat to a remote area to be alone. But the crowds heard where he was headed and followed on foot from many towns. Jesus saw the huge crowd as he stepped from the boat, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

That evening the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.”

But Jesus said, “That isn’t necessary—you feed them.”

“But we have only five loaves of bread and two fish!” they answered.

“Bring them here,” he said. Then he told the people to sit down on the grass. Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, looked up toward heaven, and blessed them. Then, breaking the loaves into pieces, he gave the bread to the disciples, who distributed it to the people. They all ate as much as they wanted, and afterward, the disciples picked up twelve baskets of leftovers. About 5,000 men were fed that day, in addition to all the women and children!

O God, Our Help in Ages Past
UMH #117

Verse 1:
O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home!

Verse 2:
Under the shadow of thy throne,
still may we dwell secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

Verse 3:
Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting, thou art God,
to endless years the same.

Verse 4:
A thousand ages, in thy sight,
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night, before
the rising sun.

Verse 5:
Time, like an ever rolling stream,
bears all who breathe away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the
opening day.

Verse 6:
O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come;
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our
eternal home.

Words: Samuel Wolcott
Music: Felice de Giardini
@1989 The United Methodist Publishing House
CCLI Song #2647487

Blessed Assurance
UMH #369

Verse 1:
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:
This is my story, this is my song
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song
praising my Savior all the day long.

Verse 2:
Perfect submission, perfect delight
visions of rapture
now burst on my sight
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

Verse 3:
Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest
watching and waiting, looking above
filled with his goodness,
lost in his love.

Refrain

Words: Fanny J. Crosby
Music: Phoebe P. Knapp
@1989 The United Methodist Publishing House
CCLI Song #22324

Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow
UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him, above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken
Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois
@1989 The United Methodist Publishing House

Bind Us Together
TFWS #2226

Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together with cords
that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together, Lord,
bind us together in love.

There is only one God,
there is only one King:
There is only one body,
that is why we sing.

Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together with cords
that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together, Lord,
bind us together in love.

Words & Music: Bob Billman
@2000 Abingdon Press
CCLI Song # 1228



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Trustee 6:30pm Parlor Operation 23-Zero 7:00pm Library	2 Red Cross Blood Drive 9:00am - 3:00pm FH	3 CROP Walk 8:00am Reg 9:00am - 10:00am Walk Jesus Food 10:00 - 12:00pm Faribault Mall
4 Worship w/ Communion 9:00am	5 Lakelanders 7:00pm	6 Mission Sewing 1:00 - 3:00pm	7 Trauma Group 1:00 -3:00pm, BR Worship Cmte 6:00pm, Parlor Choir 6:30 - 7:30pm	8 UWIF 12:00pm Parlor Vision Planning Open to all 6:00pm, Parlor	9 Bring a bag lunch Dessert Provided	10
11 Worship 9:00am Ad Council 7:30pm, Parlor	12 Mission & Outreach 6:00pm Parlor Lakelanders 7:00pm	13 Mission Sewing 1:00 - 3:00pm	14 Choir 6:30 - 7:30pm	15 Finance & B&G 5:30pm Parlor Piecemakers 7:00pm	16	17
18 Worship 9:00am REM Update - Nicholas Sonpon	19 Lakelanders 7:00pm	20 Mission Sewing 1:00 - 3:00pm	21 Choir 6:30 - 7:30pm Fourth Teller Deadline	22	23	24
25 Worship 9:00am	26 Lakelanders 7:00pm	27 Mission Sewing 1:00 - 3:00pm	28 No choir practice	29	30	31

Unified Budget Receipts

October

Oct. 4	$2,200.00
	$2,454.57 Hope's Share
Oct. 11	$1,935.00
Total	$6,589.57

Thank you for your faithful gifts!

BEAU CHANT COMMUNITY CHOIR

CARNEGIE HALL FUNDRAISING CONCERT

October 18 at 3:00pm
at the
Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour

TICKETS $25

Each ticket sold will go directly toward the singers' tour cost. Tickets will be available after church. See Sarah Clark.



Lakelander's Barbershop Chorus Presents

United in Song

Making Peace & Spreading Joy Concert

Featuring
Just One More

Saturday, October 24 at 3:00 pm
Faribault Evangelical Free Church
1039 St Paul Avenue, Faribault



Ruth's House · Whispers of Hope · HOPE CENTER

Admission is Free. Free-will offering for Ruth's House of Hope, Whispers of Hope, and the Hope Center.

www.lakelanderschorus.org

FREE!

Old Country Boys



5:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20

Faribault American Legion, 112 Fifth St. NE

RICE COUNTY SALVATION ARMY
2026 WINTER FUNDRAISER & RAFFLE

- Dinner available for purchase from 5:30-7 p.m.
- U.S. flag metal art drawing
- Red Kettle donations appreciated
- Silent auction
- Homemade pie auction

THE SALVATION ARMY

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Our Team	
Pastor	Pastor Shawn Stoll
Administrative Assistant	Sarah Clark
Office Volunteer	Kathy DuChene
Choir Director	Kelly Landsverk
Pianist/Organ Accompanist	Doug Madow
Audio/Visual	Jim Heyer & Dale Hauptli
Nursery Attendant	Kim Luedke
Custodian	Sarah Clark



JOIN US!!!

⛪ Join Us for Sunday Worship!

We would love to see you this Sunday! Whether you're joining us in person or tuning in online, there is a place for you in our church family.

🕗 Worship Service: 9:00 AM

☕ Fellowship & Treats: Immediately following service in the Annex (come grab a cup of coffee and connect!)

🍞 Holy Communion: Observed on the first Sunday of every month.

💻 Can't Make It in Person?

Catch our service broadcast live every Sunday on YouTube at @FaribaultFourthAveUMC!



"Where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." --- Matthew 18:20