Fourth Avenue
United Methodist Church



“The Righteous Live by Faith”

Sunday, September 13, 2026

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Prelude Doug Madow

Welcome and Announcements

***The Gathering**
Followers of Jesus, we live in a world where we hurt one another, where sin divides us one from another and makes us enemies instead of neighbors.
Yet we are a people of grace, called by Jesus to forgive and repair the rifts between us.
We find ourselves tempted by easy answers and quick solutions, reticent to do the slow and difficult work of reconciliation.
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In this place, may we encounter Jesus who meets us in the places where we want to give up, where we despair that life-giving change is even possible, with abundant grace to sustain us on the journey.
God, form us today as people of grace, called by Jesus' example to forgive and repair the rifts between us. Amen.

***Invocation**
Lord Jesus, the forgiveness you offer on our account is larger than we can comprehend; still, we withhold forgiveness and carry the grudge over petty items.
We are eager to do your judging; we conspire our inner thoughts to secure your forgiveness while avoiding honest repentance. Forgive us, Lord, for the sins we know in our hearts. Save us, Lord, from the sins we hide. Amen.

***Hymn**	*Jesus, United by Thy Grace*	UMH #561
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 49:5-7	Kelly Landsverk
Children's Message		
Scripture Reading	Galatians 3:10-14	Kelly Landsverk

*** Please stand if able**

Special Music	Seek Ye First	Kelly Landsverk, Pastor Shawn & Sarah Clark
Message	"The Righteous Live by Faith"	Pastor Shawn
***Hymn**	Here, O My Lord, I See Thee	UMH #623

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	*Just a Closer Walk with Thee*	TFWS #2158

***Benediction**

Postlude Doug Madow

Please join us for fellowship in the annex after worship!

POTLUCK AND ALL-CHURCH DISCUSSION

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 20**! Join us right after the 9:00 AM service for our Potluck and continuation of the All-Church Discussion. Bring a favorite dish to share, catch up with friends, and help shape our future together - we can't wait to see you there!

BIBLE STUDY – GALATIANS

Pastor Shawn is looking for days and times that work best for your schedule. Please see the sign-up sheet on the library table.

CHOIR BEGINS
Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30pm

Join us in the basement choir room. Bring your love for God and music to help fill our sanctuary with joy and praise!

MISSON SEWING
Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 PM

Need a patch in your Tuesday schedule? Mission Sewing is back!
as we stitch together items of comfort for our local community and third world countries.

THE CHOSEN (TV series)

Coming in November we have the opportunity to watch The Chosen at the Cannon Valley Cinema in Dundas. Ticket prices will vary but, if we are able to get 50 or more tickets, the price will be $6.50 per ticket. If we get a large enough group together, reserving a showing just for Fourth Avenue UMC and friends is a possibility! More information to come.

SAVE THE DATE - CROP WALK
CROP walk takes place on October 3rd

Look for more information later!

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Isaiah 49:5-7 (NLT)

And now the LORD speaks-- the one who formed me in my mother’s womb to be his servant, who commissioned me to bring Israel back to him.

The LORD has honored me, and my God has given me strength. He says, “You will do more than restore the people of Israel to me. I will make you a light to the Gentiles, and you will bring my salvation to the ends of the earth.”

The LORD, the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel, says to the one who is despised and rejected by the nations, to the one who is the servant of rulers: “Kings will stand at attention when you pass by. Princes will also bow low because of the LORD, the faithful one, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Galatians 3:10-14 (NLT)

But those who depend on the law to make them right with God are under his curse, for the Scriptures say, “Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the commands that are written in God’s Book of the Law.”
So, it is clear that no one can be made right with God by trying to keep the law. For the Scriptures say, “It is through faith that a righteous person has life.” This way of faith is very different from the way of law, which says, “It is through obeying the law that a person has life.”

But Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law. When he was hung on the cross, he took upon himself the curse for our wrongdoing. For it is written in the Scriptures, “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree.”
Through Christ Jesus, God has blessed the Gentiles with the same blessing he promised to Abraham, so that we who are believers might receive the promised Holy Spirit through faith.

Jesus, United by Thy Grace
UMH #561

Verse 1
Jesus, united by Thy grace
and each to each endeared,
with confidence we seek Thy face
and know our prayer is heard.

Verse 2
Help us to help each other, Lord,
each other's cross to bear;
let all their friendly aid afford,
and feel each other's care.

Verse 3
Up unto Thee, our living Head,
let us in all things grow;
till Thou hast made us free indeed
and spotless here below.

Verse 4
Touched by the lodestone of Thy love,
let all our hearts agree,
and ever toward each other move,
and ever move toward Thee.

Verse 5
To Thee, inseparably joined,
let all our spirits cleave;
O may we all the loving mind
that was in Thee receive.

Verse 6
This is the bond of perfectness,
Thy spotless charity;
O let us, still we pray, possess
the mind that was in Thee.

Words: Charles Wesley
Music: John B. Dykes
Music: From *The Sacred Harp*
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CCLI Song #4324227

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee
UMH #623

Verse 1
Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
here would we touch and handle things unseen;
here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace
and all my weariness upon Thee lean.

Verse 2
This is the hour of banquet and of song;
this is the heav'nly table spread for me;
here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong
the brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

Verse 3
Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;
here would I lay aside each earthly load,
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

Verse 4
Too soon we rise, the symbols disappear;
the feast, though not the love, is past and gone.
The bread and wine remove; but thou art here,
nearer than ever, still my shield and sun.

Verse 5
Feast after feast thus comes, and passes by;
yet passing, points to the glad feast above;
giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
the Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

Words: Horatius Bonar
Music: Edward Dearle
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CCLI Song #136265

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
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Just a Closer Walk With Thee
TFWS #2158

Verse 1
I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

Refrain
Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Verse 2
Through this world of toil and snares, If I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

Refrain

Verse 3
When my feeble life is o'er, Time for me will be no more; Guide me gently, safely o'er To Thy shore, to Thy shore.

Refrain

Words & Music: Anonymous
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CCLI Song # 28263

Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church
Calendar of Events for September 2026

This week - September 13

Sun.	**Sept. 13**	**Worship, 9:00 am**
Mon.	Sept. 14	Mission & Outreach, 6:00 pm, Parlor Lakelanders, 7 - 8:30 pm Ad Council, 7:30 pm, Parlor
Tues.	Sept. 15	FACMA, 11:30 am, River Valley Church, Lunch provided
Wed.	Sept. 16	Mission Sewing, 1 – 3:00 pm Choir, 6:30 – 7:30 pm, Choir Room
Thurs.	Sept. 17	Finance/Bequest & Gifts, 5:30 pm, Parlor Piecemakers, 7:00 pm

Week of Sept. 20

Sun.	**Sept. 20**	**Worship, 9:00 am**
Mon.	Sept. 21	Lakelanders, 7 - 8:30 pm
Tues.	Sept. 22	Mission Sewing, 1 – 3:00 pm
Wed.	Sept. 23	Choir, 6:30 – 7:30 pm, Choir Room

Unified Budget Receipts

September

Sept. 6	$4,352.00	
	$2.454.57	Hope's Share
Total	$6,806.57	

Thank you for your faithful gifts!





"This Grandparents Day, September 13, let’s honor the invaluable role grandparents play as 'living bridges between God’s faithfulness in the past and His promises for the future.' Their wisdom, prayers, and steadfast love provide a vital spiritual foundation for our families, guiding the next generation to trust in the Lord."

Proverbs 3:5–6
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

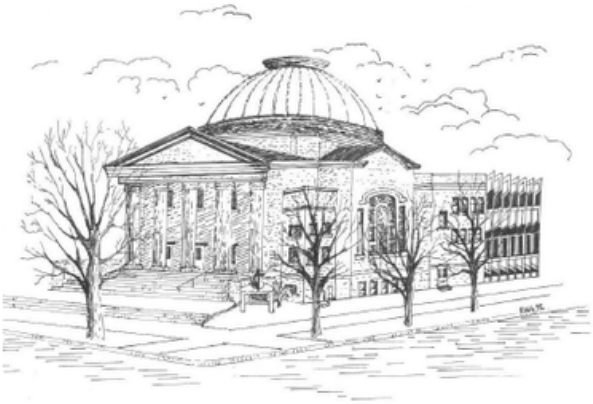


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Visit the Office	219 4th Ave NW, Faribault, MN 55021
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Doors Open	Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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