

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to Vicki Steinhardt for sponsoring the bulletin this month:
“In memory of Lavina Schelter”

Lenten Bible Study - Each Wednesday, beginning February 24 and ending March 31, you are invited to a more in-depth study of the Sermon on the Mount, from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. The intent is for this study to be on Facebook Live and/or as a Zoom interactive study. Watch and listen for more details on this.

PRAYER CONCERNS

- Steve Wendt
- Kayla DeChant
- Angie Federer
- Delores Duer
- Ryan Giese
- David Schrader, son of Susan
- Mason, grandson of Susan Schrader
- Those impacted by the coronavirus

Remember our homebound:

At Home: Doris Laurain (in Indiana), Viola McRobert
Prairie Place: Elaine Stanton
Prairie Ridge: June Witowich, Phyllis McDowell, Alice Chase

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WAUPUN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Waupun, WI



Salt and *Light*

February 21, 2021

Sunday worship – 9:00 a.m.

**Welcome to worship.
May you know the presence of God in this time.**

In this worship service for the 1st Sunday of Lent, we remember that Christ calls us to be salt and light in this world of sin. We who have tasted and seen his great love for us on the cross can spend our Lent savoring his salvation and shining with his glory and grace in the places where he has put us.

Prelude Words of Welcome Announcements

Musical Call to Worship

Call to Worship

You are the salt of the earth.

Our Christianity flavors, enhances and preserves God's creation.

You are the light of the world.

Our light sent and sustained by Christ cannot be hidden.

You are the lamp that lights the house.

Our reflection of the light of Jesus drives away darkness.

Do good works that others may see

and give glory to the Father.

You are the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

May we never lose our flavor or dim the light.

Opening Hymn on supplement “You Are the Seed”

Confession and Absolution

We are created by God to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Too often we are neither. Forgive us, O Lord.

Most merciful God, when we fail to salt the earth with your love, forgive us. When we fail to shine the light of your peace, forgive us. When we place the light of Christ under a basket, forgive us. When we hide Jesus, deny him, or cover up our Christianity, forgive us. We are sinful from birth and sin against you in thought, word and deed. Our neighbors are too often shielded from your light because we are sinners.

Forgive us of all of our sins and grant us your mercy.

Jesus is the true salt of the earth and the light of the world from all eternity. For you he hung on the cross on earth's darkest day and rose again from the dead to shine the light of eternity. Therefore, I announce to you that all of your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Music of Forgiveness on supplement “You Are Mine”

Children's Message “Salt of the Earth”

Bible Reading Matthew 5:13-16

¹³ “You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

New Living Translation (NLT)

Pastor's Message “I yam what I yam”

Tithes and Offerings on supplement “Give Thanks”
Song of Thanksgiving
Prayer of Dedication

The Prayers of the People on supplement
The Lord's Prayer

Closing Music “I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”
on supplement

Blessing

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| Today's Worship Ministers: | All of us – wherever we are |
| Tech Team: | Gary Schulz & Val Dolgner |
| Pianist: | Sue Rens Guell |
| Pastor/Worship Leader: | Steve Miller |
| Counters: | Dan Dolgner & Gary Schulz |