

**We welcome you to  
THE FEDERATED CHURCH OF WAUCONDA**

Wauconda, Illinois

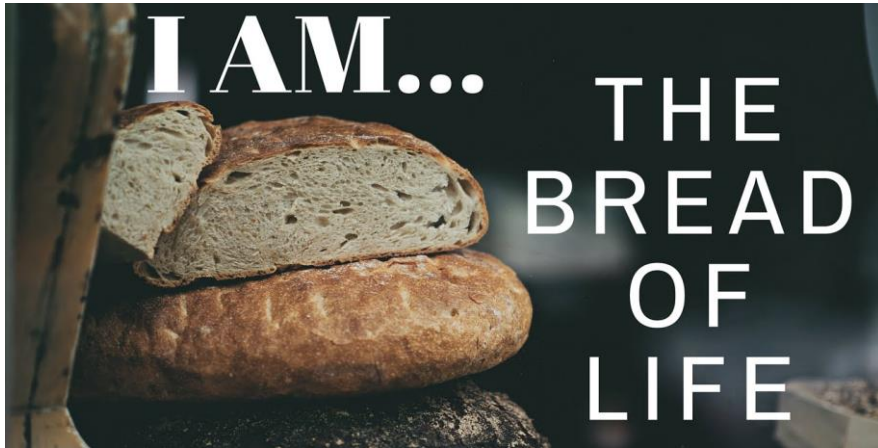
A community church affiliated with the  
United Methodist Church and the American Baptist Churches.

**March 1, 2020**

**Communion Sunday**

**Sermon Series on “I am” Statements**

Our Mission Statement: **Sharing God’s Love through Jesus Christ.”**



**CHURCH STAFF**

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Soon Sun Lee

**Youth Pastor:** Rev. Crystal Calhoun-Johnson

**Secretary:** Peggy Martin

**OFFICE HOURS**

**Office Hours:** Monday through Friday, 8am-12pm

**Pastor Soon Sun’s Office Hours:** Tues – Thurs, 10am-5pm

**Pastor Crystal’s Office Hours:** Tues 9a-5p & Thurs 9a-3:30p

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***Gathering God's People***

***Words of Welcome***

***Announcements*** (Please sign the attendance pad located at the end of the pew. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card and pass it to the end of the pew during the opening hymn.)

***Opening Prayer***

***Prelude and Lighting of Candles***

***\*Call to Worship***

Leader: We do not live by bread alone,

**People: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

Leader: Jesus said, "If anyone wants to follow me,

**People: let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily."**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

**People: The Lord's name be praised! Amen.**

***\*Opening Hymn***      ***"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"***      No. 127  
(vs. 1 twice and vs. 2)

***\*Passing the Peace***

***Special Music***      ***"People Need the Lord"***      James and Geraldyn Carr

***Sharing our Joys and Concerns***

***Pastoral Prayer***

***Prayer Hymn***      ***"Fill My Cup, Lord"***      No. 641

***Prayer of Preparation***

***\*The Scripture Lesson***      John 6:26-35

***Leader:*** This is the Word of God for the people of God.

***People:*** Thanks be to God.

***Skit***      ***"Tell us about You, Jesus"***

***Sermon***      ***"I Am the Bread of Life"***      Pastor Soon Sun

***Holy Communion***      (Everyone is welcome to receive communion)

Today's communion will be received at the Rail. Communion is open to all who confess or seek Jesus Christ as their Lord. We invite you to bring your tithes and offering forward as you come to receive communion this morning. We invite our children for the communion.

***The Great Thanksgiving***

Hymnal page 13-15

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

***Lord's Prayer***

***Sharing of the Bread and Cup***

***Prayer After Communion***

***\*Closing Hymn***

***"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"***

No. 557

***\*Benediction***

***\*Postlude***

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*\* Please stand if you are able*

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**Today's Worship Participants:**

Accompanist: Ron Bedal

Ushers: Dave Fehlman, Ann Petersen, Tony Rake, Ruby Thacker

Worship Assistant: Pastor Crystal

Thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to join us for coffee and fellowship following this worship service in the refreshment area.

Cathy Mate, our Minister of Prayer is available for prayers before and after the service.

There will be a sermon manuscript (5 copies) available for those who wish to read before the sermon or give it to someone.

## WORSHIP GUIDE FOR THE WEEK

This guide is prepared for you with the scriptures used in today's service. We encourage you to read through them as the week progresses as part of your personal devotions.

### SCRIPTURE READING

**John 6:26-35**

<sup>26</sup> Jesus replied, "I assure you that you are looking for me not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate all the food you wanted. <sup>27</sup> Don't work for the food that doesn't last but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Human One will give you. God the Father has confirmed him as his agent to give life."

<sup>28</sup> They asked, "What must we do in order to accomplish what God requires?"<sup>29</sup> Jesus replied, "This is what God requires, that you believe in him whom God sent."<sup>30</sup> They asked, "What miraculous sign will you do, that we can see and believe you? What will you do?"<sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate manna in the wilderness, just as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat."<sup>32</sup> Jesus told them, "I assure you, it wasn't Moses who gave the bread from heaven to you, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> The bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."<sup>34</sup> They said, "Sir, give us this bread all the time!"<sup>35</sup> Jesus replied, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Florence Burton, Jon Nustra, Val Whitman, Kristin Garlock, Heidi Leo, Will Tremont, Lynn Prior, Pastor Fred, Olga Lincoln, Joe's friend Dan and grandson Teddy, Donald Wright, Laura P's friend Sandy, Colleen Dioso, Dave Hexby, Ron Zinkel, Mary Steffen's sister Diane, Brian Zinkel, Aiden Lucius, Teddy Sta.Rosa, Geri Meyer, Angie Humphrey, Bob Reardon, Lilah Mae Stangeland, Larry Bock, Leonor Braund, Mickie Kisselburg, Scott Matthews, Billy Meyer, Brian Swanson

### PADS – MARCH 14/15

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help PADS (**P**roviding **A**dvocacy, **D**ignity, and **S**helter) to feed and shelter up to 40 homeless men at Messiah Lutheran from Saturday evening through Sunday morning, March 14/15. We provide dinner, breakfast and a sack lunch for the guests. There are still a few grocery items needed. If you can help, please fill out the form in the Narthex or contact the church at 847-526-8471. Tom Martin will be in contact with you soon.

### LENTEN EVENT PLANNER

Bible Study – Sundays at 11:00 and Tuesdays at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm  
Daily Lenten Prayer – Monday thru Saturday at 8:00am

Feb. 27 thru April 11

April 5 Palm Sunday Worship with Processional at 9:30

Easter Egg Hunt at 10:30

April 9 Maundy Thursday – Seder Dinner at 6:30 pm

April 10 Good Friday Tennebrae Service at 7:00 pm

April 11 Holy Saturday Prayer Vigil 8:00 am – 7:00 pm

Please sign up to pray for 30 minutes for the world and this nation; especially for the doctors and scientists to find successful treatment for the Corona Virus.

April 12 **Easter Sunday** Sunrise Service - 7:30 am

Breakfast - 8:00 am

Worship Service - 9:30 am

*LENTEN BIBLE STUDY – NEW SESSIONS BEGIN TODAY!*

There will be *three* Bible Study classes during Lenten season on Tuesday mornings at 10 am, Tuesday nights at 6 pm, (March 3 until April 7), and Sunday at 11 am (Today, March 1 through April 5).

**"Give Up Something Bad for Lent" written by James Moore .**  
*Sunday and Tuesday 10:00 am sessions.*

During Lent each year, Christians give up something as an act of sacrifice and spiritual discipline. Often it is something like chocolate, knowing that after Easter Sunday they can once again enjoy what they have given up. **James Moore** challenges readers to take it further—to give up something spiritually that they would be better off not doing.

**"Final Words From the Cross" written by Adam Hamilton.**  
*Tuesday 6:00 pm session*

We will be studying this book on Tuesday night at 6 pm during Lent season. In Jesus' life and in death, Jesus spoke about his final words which were powerful and meaningful. Despite the serious effort and increased pain required for Jesus to speak as he hung on the cross, Jesus spoke seven "final words"—statements that have much to teach us about Jesus, his Father, and ourselves: Father Forgive Them, Today You Will Be with Me in Paradise, Behold Your Son...Behold Your Mother, My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?, I Thirst, It Is Finished . . . Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit.

Join us to study what truly were the final words Jesus spoke while walking this earth and feel his pain and come closer to Jesus during the Lenten season.

*SECRETARY OUT OF OFFICE MARCH 6 & 9*

Peggy will be out of the office on Friday, March 6 and Monday, March 9. Pastor Soon Sun is looking for someone who might be willing to "man the office", especially on Monday morning to let the Senior Exercise group in. Please check with Peggy if you can help.

*WOMEN'S SUPPORT GATHERING – MARCH 12*

The Women's Support Gathering will be meeting for lunch at noon on Thursday, March 12. The fellowship will continue afterward at Mary Steffen's house.

*SUPER SENIORS – MARCH 25*

The next Super Senior Lunch will be Wednesday March 25 at Lovin Oven in Antioch. We will meet there at 11:30. Please sign up if you'd like to join us. There are menus by the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Also - "Save the Date" for the next gathering on April 15 at Rose & Raj's!

*BREAKFAST WITH FRIENDS*

Start your week off right with a time of fellowship with friends from the church. We meet every week on Monday at 8:30am. Restaurants vary, so please check with Pastor Soon Sun. Join us for coffee, breakfast or just good conversation.

*PRAYER MEETINGS*

We have two prayer meeting times – Thursday mornings at 10:30am and Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. Our meetings are a time to gather with other believers to lift our needs and our praises to God.

*PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND*

Thank you to our congregation for your continuing support of the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. It is a precious gift to be able to offer help to those in need. Please help if you can.

*MARCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS*

Outreach – **TODAY** – 11:00 am

Worship – March 4 – 6:30 pm

Education – March 8 – 10:45 am

Trustees – March 11 – 7:00 pm

Fundraising – March 15 – 11:00 am

Federated Board – March 18 – 7:00 pm

FOCW – March 23 – 7:00 pm

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR – March 1-8		
TODAY: March 1		Food Pantry Sunday
	11:00 am	Bible Study
	11:00 am	Outreach Meeting
	11:00 am	Drawing for Youth Raffle
MON thru SAT	8:00 am	Lenten Prayer Service
MON: March 2	8:30 am	Breakfast with Friends
	9:00 am	Senior Exercise
	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
TUE: March 3	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Bible Study
WED: March 4	6:00 pm	TOPS
	6:30 pm	Worship Committee
THURS: March 5	8:30 am	Pastor at Elder's Gathering – Barrington UMC
	7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	8:00 pm	Al Anon
FRI: March 6		Secretary out of office
SAT: March 7		
SUN: March 8		Girl Scout Sunday
	10:45 am	Education Committee
	11:00 am	Bible Study

**LAY MINISTRIES:** Next Sunday – March 8, 2020

Worship Assistant.....Nancy Swanson  
 Ushers.....Raj & Rose Bhatt, Tom Martin  
 Acolytes.....Cody Lucius, Hero Lucius