

**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.

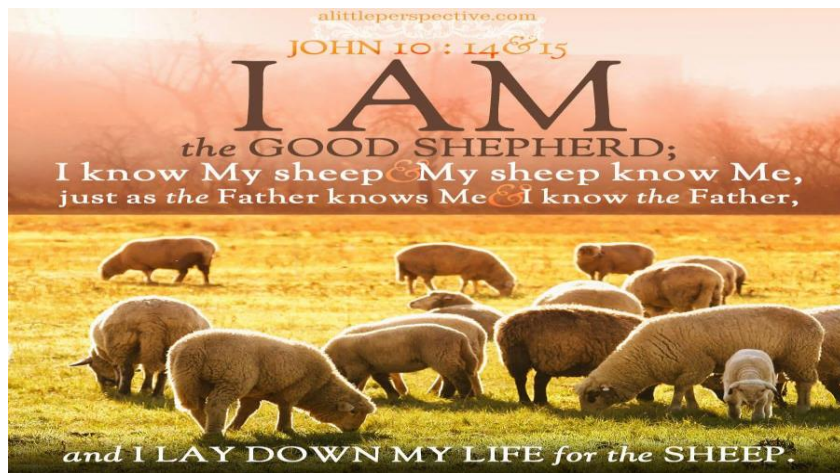
March 22, 2020

4th Sunday in Lent

UMCOR 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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Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

**Call to Worship* (responsively)

Leader: We gather together to worship God,

People: the Shepherd of our souls.

Leader: The one who has created us,

People: who sustains us,

Leader: who redeems us,

People: who walks beside us in good times and bad,

Leader: and who calls us to follow.

People: This is our God!

Leader Let's worship Him together!

**Opening Hymn* "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Children's Sermon Louise Bundy

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Hymn "Have Thine Own Way,
Lord"

Invitation to Giving Offerings and Tithes

Receiving the Offering

Offering Music by Media

**Prayer of Dedication* (in unison)

**Loving God, help us to give you not only our offerings
but all we are, all we have and all we hold. We open our
lives to you for the service of your Kingdom. Please work
through our offering today, our lives this coming week
and lead us to follow you Christ in all that we do and say.
We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

Prayer of Preparation

SCRIPTURE

LESSON

John 10:11-21

¹¹ “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² When the hired hand sees the wolf coming, he leaves the sheep and runs away. That’s because he isn’t the shepherd; the sheep aren’t really his. So the wolf attacks the sheep and scatters them. ¹³ He’s only a hired hand and the sheep don’t matter to him.

¹⁴ “I am the good shepherd. I know my own sheep and they know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. I give up my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep that don’t belong to this sheep pen. I must lead them too. They will listen to my voice and there will be one flock, with one shepherd.

¹⁷ “This is why the Father loves me: I give up my life so that I can take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I give it up because I want to. I have the right to give it up, and I have the right to take it up again. I received this commandment from my Father.”

¹⁹ There was another division among the Jews because of Jesus’ words. ²⁰ Many of them said, “He has a demon and has lost his mind. Why listen to him?” ²¹ Others said, “These aren’t the words of someone who has a demon. Can a demon heal the eyes of people who are blind?”

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

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon

“I am the Good Shepherd”

Pastor

Soon Sun

* *Closing Hymn* *“Jesus is All the World to Me”*

* *Benedictions*

* *Postlude*

* *Please stand if you are able*

The flowers on the altar today are from Cheryl Ficht in loving memory of her father, John Reibert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Florence Anderson, Florence Burton, Val Whitman, Tom Vrabec, 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

The Stiller family, as Steve Stiller last Sunday tragically died suddenly.

COLLECTION FOR UMCOR HAS BEEN POSTPONED

We will collect a special offering by mail to support UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). UMCOR aids in domestic and international disaster relief and recovery.

Watch for an UMCOR envelope in your Holy Week worship materials. Please help if you can.

American Baptist International Ministries has responded with a \$12,250 One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) emergency Coronavirus relief grant to Amity Foundation, a Christian-initiated NGO (Non- Government Organization) and ABC International Ministries partner in China. *All offering collected for UMCOR is divided and shared equally with One Great Hour of Sharing.*

**ALL IN-PERSON WORSHIPS AND GROUP
ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED THROUGH
EASTER**

The Bishop of the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church instructed us that we suspend all in-person worship services through Easter due to the threatened spread of the COVID-19 virus. We are making plans to keep us connected during this difficult time through Easter. We will continue to offer a livestream via our Facebook page at our usual 9:30am service time, that you can access by clicking : <https://www.facebook.com/Federated-Church-of-Wauconda-307519663933/>

I also encourage you to share your prayer concerns with Nancy Swanson at nraswanson@gmail.com or me at soonsunlee@live.com personally, so that we can pray for you and your loved ones through our prayer team each week.

Please continue to love and pray for each other and do everything you can to stay well. There will no Easter flowers this year.

CHURCH OFFERING

In order for us to continue to operate as a church we need to work together to continue in our financial support. There are building utility expenses, repairs, insurances, to name a few of our bills, that have to be paid. If you find value in our presence in the Wauconda community, your continued giving is essential. You can send your offering here: click <https://my.simplegive.com/App/Giving/the200289> while you remain at home. Or you can send by mailing to this address; **200 Barrington Rd., Wauconda, IL. 60084**