



**Jacob named the  
place Peniel,**

*“because I’ve seen God face-to-  
face, and my life has been saved.”*

**Genesis 32:30 CEB**

## **Waterloo First United Methodist Church**

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**Rev. Hojin Shin, *Pastor***

*The Mission of Waterloo First United Methodist Church is to be a church of people who live as disciples of Jesus Christ by providing a place for spiritual growth in a caring, inviting community.*

# August 6, 2023

## Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Welcome! We are happy to have you with us today!*

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist, Toni Brown

*Please pass the ritual of Friendship*

### \*GREETING (With One Another)

Rev. Hojin Shin

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!

Response: And also with you!

### CENTERING WORDS (Genesis 32:27-28)

<sup>27</sup> He said to Jacob, “What’s your name?” and he said, “Jacob.” <sup>28</sup> Then he said, “Your name won’t be Jacob any longer, but Israel, because you struggled with God and with men and won.”

### PRELUDE

*“There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood”*

Words: William Cowper, 1731-1800 ~ Music: 19th Century Camp Meeting Melody

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Are you hungry for a word of hope?

**We come to be fed and nourished.**

Are you yearning to see the bounty of God?

**We long to see and believe.**

Are you ready to witness the power of our God?

**We are ready.**

Come! Let us worship.

### \*OPENING PRAYER

Even when our faith falters,

**we will not let you go, O God.**

Even though we are ashamed by our lack of faith,

**we will not let you go.**

Because you meet us in our utmost need,

**we will not let you go.**

Strive with us until dawn, O Lord,

**we will not let you go.**

We need your blessing now more than ever.

**we will not let you go. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*“How Can We Name a Love”*

**No. 111**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**No. 895**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Genesis 32:22-31**

**\*HYMN**

*“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”*

**No. 2158**

**SERMON**

*“Wrestling with Our Hunger”*

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**HOLY COMMUNION**

Communion will be served in two ways:

1. Communion Stewards will wear gloves to serve the bread and a small glass of juice at the front for those who wish to be served.
  2. Self-serve cups will be available for those who do not wish to have Communion served to them. They should pick up their cup when entering the sanctuary.
- Gluten-free Communion is available on the center aisle.

Remember, this sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all people

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”*

**No. 351**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*“Oh The Blood Done Signed My Name”*

African American Spiritual

**John Roberts, Ed. D., pianist**

**Ollie Thurman, song leader**

\*Please stand if you are able

We are happy you are with us today!!  
Please sign the **attendance registration** pad located in the pew racks.

**Altar Flowers**

**Today's altar flowers are given by Larry & Barb Dodge  
In celebration of their 61<sup>st</sup> Anniversary.**

If you would like to use a **large print hymnal**,  
or a **hearing assistance device** please ask an usher for one.

- \* Our prayer chain is available to any who have needs or concerns. We will pray with you and for you. Fill out a prayer request form located in the pew or contact the church office at 235-7088. All prayer requests will be sent out by email.
- \* Our Cry Room, Nursery, and a Rest Room are all located off the hallway in the back of the sanctuary.
- \* The service is recorded each week and is available to anyone who requests it. If you know of someone who is unable to attend services and would like to receive a DVD or an audio CD, please contact the church office, 235-7088.
- \* Today's service is being live streamed on Facebook.
- \* Children's Bulletins are available in the sanctuary on a table by the door in the front. Children's packets are available in bags and the back of the sanctuary.

<b>Ministers</b>	Every Member
<b>Director of Music</b>	Emily Forssberg
<b>Organist</b>	Linda Sharp
<b>Pianist</b>	John Roberts, Ed. D.
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Janice Green
<b>Financial Assistant</b>	Dawn Lowe
<b>Media Specialist</b>	Sally Thurman
<b>Youth Leader</b>	Rumen Hulmequist