



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

309 Fourth Street Northeast  
Valley City, North Dakota

*Interim Pastor: Jamie Desai*

*Ministers in Daily Life: People of God at Faith*

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost    October 13, 2024  
9:30am worship service

## WELCOME IN JESUS' NAME!

It is good to encounter Christ together. At Faith Lutheran we rise up to:

**Worship Christ, Welcome All, and Serve Others** because of Jesus.

A special welcome to visitors and guests! May God bless our time together as we celebrate Christ's presence in the bread and wine, the Word of God, and the community we share. Please fill out a welcome card if you have changes: address, phone number, prayer request. Break off the bottom half to place in the offering plate; keep the top as a bookmark and a reminder of worship times.

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\*Indicates those who are able, please stand. (ELW - Evangelical Lutheran Hymnal)

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Practice New Song    **“Everybody’s Got Something to Offer”**                      see screen

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Seek the Lord and live.

**We will seek the Lord who speaks the truth.**

Seek good and not evil.

**We will seek what is good and reject what is evil.**

Seek the Lord and live.

**We will seek the Lord and live.**

\*GATHERING SONG                      **“All Are Welcome”** vs 1,3,5                      ELW 641

CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious Lord God, we want to be your people we celebrate your glory and power revealed in Jesus Christ.

**But we confess today that we have been unwilling to accept the responsibility to be your presence in the world. We are helpless but still reject your power for creating change. We have been uncertain of who your Spirit is and how your Spirit operates.**

We confess our need for the presence of your Spirit in our lives even as we question what that means. We offer you our emptiness and questions we await your empowerment.

SONG OF MERCY                      **“Seek Ye First”**                      see screen

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news! God's spirit has come with power and enthusiasm to show us that Jesus in the Way, the way for everyday. God does not come with easy answers and directions; God calls us to join the journey and follow your spirit-guide.

**Christ calls us to join the journey and enables us to begin again and again as accepted, forgiven and loved children of God.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

**“Step by Step”**

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## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, **increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



HOLY BAPTISM

WESTEN JOHN DUFFY

ELW pg. 227



## NOISY OFFERING—ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS

### SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)

**Amos 5:6-7, 10-15** (PB pg. 951) - Old Testament)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms 90:12-17**(please read responsively)

**Hebrews 4:12-16** (PB pg. 236 - New Testament)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### \*Gospel Acclamation

**“Thy Word”** vs 1

see screen

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

**Mark 10:17-31** (PB pg. 47) - New Testament)

The Gospel of the Lord - **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Jamie Desai

### \*HYMN OF THE DAY **“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”** vs 1,2,4

ELW 669

## PRESENTATION OF THIRD GRADE BIBLES

\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE—Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

\*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

\*OFFERTORY      **“Everybody’s Got Something to Offer”**      see screen

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING      ELW pg. 129

The Lord be with you.      **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.      **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**(singing) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION      ELW pg. 130

\*THE LORD’S PRAYER      ELW pg. 134

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - We welcome all the baptized to the meal celebrating the new life we have in Christ Jesus. Come forward as the ushers direct. Please take a cup for communion from the center boxes as you come forward. Start at the middle and fill to the sides. Gluten-free wafers are available. Young children will receive a grape and a blessing. Place your empty cups in the boxes. If you wish to refrain from communion, God knows your heart.

Communion Music      **“Let Us Break Bread Together”**      ELW 471

**“In the Singing”**      -      ELW 466

**“Beautiful Savior”**      ELW 838

**“You Are My All in All”** (chorus)      see screen

\*BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

\*SENDING SONG      **“On Our Way Rejoicing”**      ELW 537

\*DISMISSAL      Go in peace and serve the Lord.      **Okay we will!**

POSTLUDE

*We depart to serve the Lord*

## **Third-Graders receiving their Bible October 13, 2024**

### **Jayce Edward Auka**

Son of Seth Auka and Michelle Patraw

### **Drake Andrew Carlson**

Son of Andy & Samantha Carlson

### **Owen Mark Johnson**

Son of Mark & Krista Johnson

### **Charlie Brett Kohler**

Son of Jed & Katie Kohler

### **Jackson Jacob Rohde**

Son of Jake & Brenda Rohde

### **Riley Rae Smith**

Daughter of Heather Smith and William Smith

### **Emery Jane Wiebe**

Daughter of Jeremy & Kara Wiebe

### **Zachary David Wilmes**

Son of Scott & Wendi Wilmes

*Pastor:* Today we gathered together to bless you as you receive your Bible. When you were baptized, your family and your church family made some promises to God.

They promised to live with you among God's faithful people, bring you to the word of God and the holy supper, teach you the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in your hands the holy scriptures, and nurture you in faith and prayer.

You are now at an age when you are beginning to read well and can read the Bible for yourself! Together we are going to fulfill our promise to God to place in your hands the holy scriptures.

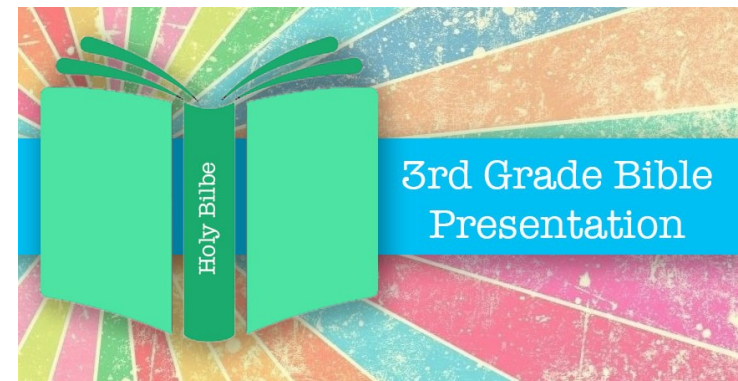
Parents, I invite you to place the Bible in your child's hands.

*Each family presents their child with a Bible with a Bible as they say:*

Name, God's word is a lamp to your feet and a light to your path.

*The families face the assembly. The congregation blesses the children.*

**May you find God in these scriptures, the holy story of God's love for us, and may it open your eyes to see God in the world around you. Amen.**



## Announcements

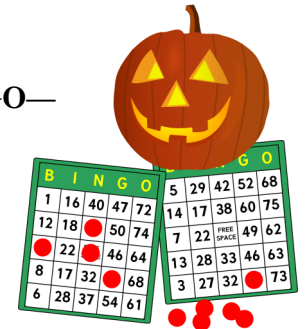


**Pastor Appreciation Sunday is October 13th—**  
 We would like to thank Pastor Jamie for his service and all he does among us. We will have a time of fellowship at 10:30am. We do have a basket set out for any cards/notes you may have for him.

Today we celebrate **Westen John Duffy** as he receives God's promises in Holy Baptism. Westen was born July 19, 2024. His parents are Bailey & Sarah Duffy. Westen's sponsors are Jenna & Daniel Biggers. Please keep Westen and his family in your prayers.

**We will be receiving a noisy offering today for Alzheimer's Awareness.** Please note this is a week earlier than usual because the kids don't have Sunday School on October 20th. Everyone has know someone who may have Alzheimer's or Dementia. The kids will come around with their pails to collect your loose change & dollar bills. Thank you for your generosity.

**It's time for our Annual Pumpkin BINGO—  
 Tonight, October 13, 6-7:30pm!** This is a free event and fun for **all** ages! Come try to win some pumpkins to decorate your home with! We will be having treats along with our BINGO too!



**Next Sunday, October 20 we will not have Sunday School due to no school on Thursday and Friday.**

Our 7th-9th grade confirmation youth will have their **3rd Annual Community Action Night Food Bank Collection on Wednesday, October 16th, 6:30-7:40pm.** They will be going around with their small group leaders to collect food for our local food pantry!

### Serving Today

**Greeters:** *Scott & Wendi Wilmes*  
**Ushers:** *Kent & Patty Gronlie*  
**Lector:** *Wanda Auka*  
**Acolyte:** *Brody Metcalf*  
**Kitchen:** *Kent & Patty Gronlie, Scott & Wendi Wilmes, Jessica Johnson*  
**Keyboard & Vocals:** *Cyndi Hill*  
**Vocals:** *Julie May*

### Attendance & Offering

Attendance: 10/6 105 70+ online  
 Offering: 10/6 \$4,555.00  
 Mission Plan monthly  
 \$22,752.25

## The Week Ahead: October 14-20, 2024

### Monday, October 14

Pastor's Sabbath

### Tuesday, October 15

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

1:30pm - Text Study

### Wednesday, October 16

10th Grade Confirmand Deadline  
 for Faith Statements & Projects

1:00pm - Quilters

1:30pm - FLC Staff Meeting

3:15pm - Kids Club

6:30pm - Confirmation at FLC

3rd Annual Food Bank Collection

### Saturday, October 19

8:00am - Men's Group Meets

### Sunday, October 20

No Sunday School

Recognition/Blessing

First Responders

9:30am - 12:30pm - Pancake

Brunch

9:30am - Worship Service

10:30am - November Service &

Care Meeting

6:00pm - Confirmation Banquet



**Enjoy the Men's Group Pancake Brunch next Sunday, October 20!**

The Pancake Brunch will be served **9:30am-12:30pm**. This is a freewill offering. They will be serving pancakes, sausage & fried potatoes. They will have to-go

containers available as well. Thank you for supporting our Men's Group! Men's Group will meet on **Saturday, October 19** for their monthly breakfast gathering at 8am. Besides enjoying breakfast and fellowship they will be prepping for the pancake brunch. All men are invited to the meeting and your help with the Pancake Brunch on would be appreciated.

**Next Sunday, October 20 we will be thanking and blessing our Barnes County First Response Personnel** during our worship service. They will also be invited to enjoy the Men's Group Pancake Brunch compliments of our congregation.

**Quilt Sale**—Our talented quilters have their beautiful handmade quilts displayed in the sanctuary for purchase. The full-sized quilts are \$50 and the baby quilts are \$35. A reminder that quilts can be purchased throughout the year.

Throughout the months of **October** and **November** the Mission Team will be collecting **winter gloves/mittens and caps** for the elementary schools. A collection container is under the table in the gathering area.

**Halloween Candy Donations Needed**—Our Confirmation Youth will have a "Trunk" at the **VCPR Trunk-Or-Treat event on Friday, October 25th, 5:30-7pm at Chautauqua Park**. If you would like to donation any bags of wrapped candy please have it to the office by Wednesday, October 23rd. Thank you!



**LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**SMP Health - St. Raphael:**—Clara Bredeson; Marlys Freadhoff; Russ Hilborn; Mark Hill; Diane Kohn; Paula Krall; Laurette Zachrison.

**General Prayer List:**—Jessie Stockford (Sam & Reid Hill's mother); Sophia Halsa (Cheryl Foell's granddaughter); Lloyd Vogel (Elaine Wall's brother-in-law); Sandi Pollock; Kay Stanford; Linda Moser; Mary Buringrud (Nikki Moen's mother); Bernice Martel (Gloriann Gaarder's sister); Marlys Kunze; Bea Faust; Kim Homan (Cheryl Peterson and LeeAnn & Ron Peterson's brother); Mike Kainz (Kirsten Gerhardt's father); Verna Anderson; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill's grandson); Sue Olson; Rick Anderson (Bud & Verna Anderson's son); Curt Tufty (Sue Olson's brother-in-law); Sandy Mulvaney; Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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[www.faithlutheranvc.org](http://www.faithlutheranvc.org), we do have cards that you may place in the offering plates that say you give electronically.

The cards are located on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

