



“HAVE SALT IN  
*yourselves,*  
AND BE AT  
PEACE WITH  
*one another.*”

MARK 9:50, ESV

**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*

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost      September 29, 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

### INVOCATION

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

**Amen.**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Before there was earth or water or sky

**Before there was how or where or why**

Before there was woman, before there was man

**Before there was "No" and before there was "Oh yes, I can"**

**ALL: There was the Word.**

\*GATHERING HYMN

**"Gather Us In"** vs 1-3

ELW 532

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Kids: We have not loved you with all of our hearts.

**People: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**ALL: We have not responded to your promise.**

Kids: We have put up walls to keep people at a distance.

**People: We have failed to respond when someone is hurting.**

**ALL: We have not responded to your promise.**

Kids: We are captured by our desire for material wealth.

**People: We forget those who do not have food or shelter.**

**ALL: We have not responded to your promise.**

Kids: We abuse the gifts of your creation.

**People: We destroy your beauty out of ignorance and greed.**

**ALL: We have not responded to your promise.**

Kids: We fail to respond to your call to do justice.  
**People: We seek only comfort for ourselves.**  
**ALL: We have not responded to your promise.**

SONG OF MERCY

**“Mercy”**

see screen

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

We are broken but God’s promises are not. Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you are an accepted, forgiven and loved child of God.

**I am an accepted, forgiven and loved child of God!**

SONG OF PRAISE

**“The Journey of Praise”**

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\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Generous God, **your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

♥♥♥ **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING** ♥♥♥  
**“This Little Light of Mine”**  
**“Jesus Loves Me!”**

SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)

**Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29** (PB pg. 143 - Old Testament)

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

**Psalms 19:7-14** (please read responsively)

**James 5:13-20** (PB pg. 249 - New Testament)

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

\*Gospel Acclamation

**“Celtic Alleluia”**

ELW 174

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 9th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

**Mark 9:38-50** (PB pg. 46 - New Testament)

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

MESSAGE

Wendi Wilmes

\*HYMN OF THE DAY “**Lord, I Lift Your Name on High**”

ELW 857

\*APOSTLES’ CREED

ELW pg. 127

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

\*THE LORD’S PRAYER

ELW pg. 134

\*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

\*OFFERTORY

“**Create in Me a Clean Heart**”

ELW 185

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

\*BLESSING

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

“**Go, Make Disciples**”

ELW 540

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

POSTLUDE

*We depart to serve the Lord*

### Serving Today

**Greeter:** *Lorraine Nitschke*  
**Ushers:** *Jack & Val Moritz*  
**Lector:** *Marsha Saylor*  
**Acolyte:** *Grady Samuelson*  
**Kitchen:** *Kathy Schlotman, Connie Ronholm,  
Jack & Val Moritz*  
**Keyboard & Vocals:** *Cyndi Hill*  
**Vocals:** *Julie May*

### Attendance & Offering

Attendance: 9/22 98 57+ online

Offering: 9/1 \$2,815.00  
9/8 \$6,249.00  
9/15 \$4,655.00  
9/22 \$2,769.00

Mission Plan monthly

\$22,752.25

### Announcements

Stop in the fellowship hall for a cup of coffee or juice and a treat served at 10:30am following worship. It is good to enjoy each other's company and conversation.



Thank you Wendi Wilmes and the kids for leading the worship service today. Pastor Jamie is gone to attend his son's wedding.

**Lefse Making**—WELCA will be having a lefse making day **Sunday, October 6th at 1pm** here at Faith. The lefse made will be sold at the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 12. Everyone is invited to help as we will need rollers and fryers.



**Third Graders will receive their first reader Bible and a Blessing on Sunday, October 13.**

Third graders & a parent will meet **next Sunday, October 6 during Sunday School time**

**10:45am** in the sanctuary for a Learning to Use Your Bible class. Third grade families should have received a letter in the mail. If you have a 3rd grader and didn't receive a letter please let the office know.

Throughout the month of September the Mission Team will be collecting **new socks** of any size to be donated to APOC (Abused Person Outreach Center). A collection container is by the table in the gathering area.



**Valley City Out of the Darkness Community Walk—Today September 29** at Lokken Stadium at VCSU. We walk to save lives and bring hope to those affected by suicide. All community members are invited to walk with us to fight suicide. On-Site Registration Starts at 2:30pm. Program Starts at 3pm. Event by American Foundation for Suicide Prevention—North Dakota Chapter.

### The Week Ahead: September 30-October 6, 2024

#### Monday, September 30

Pastor's Sabbath

#### Tuesday, October 1

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

1:30pm - Text Study

#### Wednesday, October 2

1:00pm - Quilters

1:30pm - FLC Staff Meeting

3:15pm - Kids Club

6:30pm - Confirmation at FLC

#### Thursday, October 3

Quilting Class

#### Friday, October 4

Quilting Class

#### Saturday, October 5

Roswick/Zepeda Wedding

#### Sunday, October 6

9:30am - Worship Service

10:30am - Coffee Fellowship

10:30am - Immunization Clinic

10:45am - Sunday School

1:00pm - Lefse Making



We invite everyone to join us for the 10:30am coffee fellowship on **Sunday, October 6th** to wish **Tim & Nancy Ost** well as they get ready for their move to Moorhead. We will miss seeing them here at church and enjoying our time together! God bless you Tim & Nancy!



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

**Influenza Clinic—October 6, 10:30-11:30am at Faith Lutheran in Fireside Room.** City-County

Health District will be administering Influenza

High-dose and conventional Flu vaccine which will be available for ages 6 months thru adult. They will also have the COVID-19 vaccine available. A sign up sheet and information is on the table in the gathering area. Please note age of any children on sign up sheet. Insurance card is required to receive immunization. Medicare Part B recipients do not pay at time of clinic. CCHD will bill the following insurance: BCBS, Sanford Health, Humana, Medica, Health Partners, Medicaid.

Thank you for your continued financial support of Faith Lutheran. Your contributions support the missions and ministries of Faith Lutheran as well as monthly expenses of the church. If you have set up your giving electronically on our website: [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.



**LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:**

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

**General Prayer List:**—Sandi Pollock; Kay Stanford; Linda Moser; Mary Buringrud (Nikki Moen's mother); Bernice Martel (Gloriann Gaarder's sister); Sandy Blomquist (Jessica Jenrich's aunt); 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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**St. Mary's Fall Supper, Dazey, ND**—Sunday, October 6, serving 4-7pm. They will be serving turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, dressing, "homemade sauerkraut", cranberries, roll, dessert and coffee. Adults - \$14, Ages 6-12 - \$6, Age 5 and under FREE. Takeout meals available. Unique gift baskets & decorated pumpkins for sale! Hope to see you there.