



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

309 Fourth Street Northeast
Valley City, North Dakota

Pastor: Jamie Desai

Ministers in Daily Life: People of God at Faith

Resurrection of Our Lord April 20, 2025

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.

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

He is Risen! **He is Risen Indeed!**

ENTRANCE HYMN **"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**

ELW 365

Welcome and Announcements

EASTER LITANY

Friends, had we been there that first Easter morning,
It is likely that many of us would have been with the disciples—

Hiding out in fear,

Locked behind doors,

Alone with our thoughts in the upper room.

I wish I could say that I would have gone with the women,

That I would have been brave and determined.

I wish I could say that I would have held onto my faith,

But the truth is, we'll never know.

What I do know is that Jesus came back for all of us—

Not the few who had maintained faith

Or the few who stayed with him until the end.

He came back for the broken and the afraid,

For the cowardly and the greedy,

For the women in the garden,

And for the disciples hiding in the upper room.

He came back for those who betrayed him

And those who worshiped him.

He came back for you and for me.

Knowing that no matter where we are on the spectrum of faith,

Jesus lived, loved, and returned for us.

*HYMN

“Now the Green Blade Rises”

ELW 379

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, **you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 10:34-43 (PB pg. 134 - New Testament)

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

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24 (please read responsively)

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (PB pg. 185 - New Testament)

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

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **“Goodness of God”**

Brynleigh Milbrandt

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 20th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

John 20:1-18 (PB pg. 119 - New Testament)

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

SERMON

Pastor Jamie Desai

*HYMN

“He Has Been Raised”

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*NICENE CREED

ELW 126

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

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY **“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!”** vs 1 ELW 369

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 Hymns:

"Eat This Bread"

ELW 472

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

ELW 473

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"

ELW 369

"You Are My All in All" (chorus)

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*BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. 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

"Thine Is the Glory"

ELW 376

*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in Peace! Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

We depart to Serve the Lord

Serving Today

Greeter: Elaine Walls
Ushers: Brian & Georgia, Gavin & Halle Welken
Lector: Don Schlotman
Acolyte: Brody Metcalf
Keyboard & Vocals: Cyndi Hill
Soloist: Brynleigh Milbrant accompanied by Amy Milbrant

Attendance & Offering

Attendance: 4/13 197 47+ online

Offering: 4/6 \$5,247.45
4/13 \$5,878.26

Mission Plan monthly

\$23,577.58

The Week Ahead: April 21-27, 2025

Monday, April 21

Pastor's Sabbath
Office Closed

Tuesday, April 22

10:30am - Women's Bible Study
1:30pm - Text Study

Wednesday, April 23

1:00pm - Quilters
3:15pm - Kids Club
6:30pm - Confirmation at
Trinity Lutheran

Thursday, April 24

1:00pm - Sheyenne Valley
Memory Café at FLC

Friday, April 25

Jr High Youth Going to
Suite Shots

Saturday, April 26

8:00am - Men's Group Meets

Sunday, April 27

Holy Humor Sunday
9:30am - Worship Service
10:30am - Coffee Fellowship
10:45am - Sunday School

Holy Announcements

Sunday, April 27, is Holy Humor Sunday!

We will celebrate the joy we have in the risen Lord! Wear a silly hat or brightly colored shirt or both. We will tell some jokes and sing Christmas tunes with Easter words.



The office will be closed Monday, April 21 in observance of Easter.



Maundy Thursday we welcomed 11 children to the communion table to receive their 1st Communion. They are Cali Anderson, Jayce Auka, Reagan Holm, Oakleigh Johnson, Charlie Kohler, Taylor McKay, Shay Pilgrim, Brenton Rittenhouse, Jackson Rohde, Riley Smith, Zachary Wilmes. God bless these children!

Last Sunday, April 13 we received \$286.05 for the noisy offering for the School Lunch Program! We are thankful for your generous giving. You continue to make a difference!

Celebration Cake Box Mission—

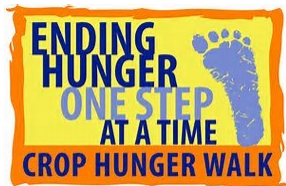
The Mission Committee will be collecting items for Celebration Cake Boxes. Each Celebration Cake Box includes the supplies to make a cake. Since not everyone may have oil or eggs on hand, a can of lemon-lime soda (7-up) will be the substitute. (It really works!). If you would like to contribute one or some items to this mission, here are supplies needed:

- *Cake Mix
- *12oz can lemon-lime type soda (7-up or similar)
- *Can of ready to use frosting (w/sprinkles on top of can)

At the end of April the celebration cake boxes will be put together and provided to the BC Food Pantry.



WELCA Spring Roundup—Saturday, April 26, at Stump Lake Village south of Lakota, ND, 9am-3pm. No registration fee. Cost of meal and refreshments is \$20. Register on the website: <https://eandwelca.net> or call Jeanne Wobbema, 701-230-8745.



CROP HUNGER WALK 2025 will take place on Wednesday May 7 beginning at 7pm at Jefferson School. Come join the walk and support hunger ministries near and far. Donations made before or on

the day of the walk will support the Barnes County Food Pantry, Hi-Liner Food Pantry and VCSU Food Pantry. The Mission Team will be available after church services on April 27 & May 4 for any questions and to accept donations for the CROP Walk. All ages are welcome!

43rd Annual Valley City Lions Ham & Beef Supper—Tuesday, April 22, serving 4:30-7pm at the Valley City Eagles Club. Cost is Adults \$15; Students (Age 6-12) \$7; Preschool (5 & Under) Free. Takeout Available. Meat Raffle. Proceeds for Local Charities.

Valley City Kiwanis Pancakes & Sausage—Monday, April 28, serving 5-7pm at Valley City Eagles Club. Cost is \$8; Preschool age is Free. Meat Raffle will be held at event.

The Valley Troubadours Spring 2025 Concert Series—Sunday, May 4 at 7pm Home Concert at Valley City Connect Church. **Thursday, May 8 at 6:30pm** at Nome Schoolhouse Thirsty Thursday Event. Free Admission—Freewill Offering taken.



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:—JoAn Neller-moe; Don Burke; Amanda Spencer (Karen Nitschke's granddaughter); Sandy Mulvaney; Scott Stanford; Mike Schmidt; Bob Green; Mackenzie Schram (Becky Kratz' niece); Jan Leuer (Bernie Mortenson's sister); Alan Scherling (Elaine Wall's nephew); Nancy Knutson; Jesse Archambeau (Karen Nitschke's nephew); Sandi Pollock; Kay Stanford; Linda Moser; Mary Buringrud (Nikki Moen's mother); Bea Faust; 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); Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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www.faithlutheranvc.org, we do have cards that say 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.

