



**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA**

309 Fourth Street Northeast  
Valley City, North Dakota

*Pastor: Jamie Desai*

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

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost    July 27, 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.

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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, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us welcome each other to worship knowing that we have all been called to this place.

**We have been called to continue the story of Christ's love in our lives in word and song.**

Let us go to every village and town proclaiming God's acceptance, forgiveness and love to all people.

**We will walk toward the future that asks us to endure with patience and follow with excitement.**

Come join the journey of Jesus today!

\*GATHERING SONG                      **"All Are Welcome"** vs 1,3,5

ELW 641

### CONFESSION OF SIN

ELW pg. 117

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

ELW pg. 118

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made

us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

**\*GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.** ELW pg. 185

**Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty and ever-living God, **you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)**

**Genesis 18:20-32** (PB pg. 15 - Old Testament)

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

**Psalms 138** (please read responsively)

**Colossians 2:6-15** (PB pg. 214 - New Testament)

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**\*Gospel Acclamation “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” ELW 752**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 11th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

**Luke 11:1-13** (PB pg. 74 - New Testament)

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

**SERMON**

Pastor Jamie Desai

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

ELW 742

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

ELW pg. 127

**\*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                    Cyndi Hill

**“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            **“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”**                    ELW 543

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

### POSTLUDE

*We depart to serve the Lord*

### Serving Today

**Greeter:** Rita Bearman  
**Ushers:** Jacob & Brenda Rohde Family  
**Lector:** Troy Miller  
**Coffee:** Rita Bearman, Cindy Waagen, Julie Moritz  
**Keyboard & Vocal:** Cyndi Hill

### Attendance & Offering

Attendance: 7/20 97 54+ online

Offering: 7/6 \$3,800.00  
7/13 \$4,928.00  
7/20 \$3,873.00

Mission Plan monthly

\$23,577.78

## 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.



Today we celebrate God's promises in Holy Baptism for **Alice Josephine Mallette**, born August 7, 2023. Alice's parents are Derick & Kelly Mallette & siblings are Conner, Sophie & Olive. Alice's sponsors are Morgan Schweitzer and McKenzie Schweitzer. Please keep Alice and her family in your prayers.

The flowers gracing our altar this morning are given by the family of Sue Olson from her Celebration of Life.



**Spread the News! We will be having a Bake Sale Fundraiser on Crazy Days, July 30th, 9am-12pm!** The proceeds will go to Faith Lutheran Ministries and Bridges Backpack

Program. Start thinking about what you would like to bake and bring for the Bake Sale! A sign up sheet is on the table in the gathering area if you would like to help with it. The insert in the bulletin has the suggested bake sale pricing list. Labels are available on the table too.



**Epworth United Methodist Men's 18th Annual Corn Feed—Sunday, July 27.**

They will be serving **4:30-7pm**. The menu is Pulled Pork Sandwich, Fresh Sweet Corn, Condiments & Ice Cream.

Cost is Adults - \$12; Grades 1-6 (ages 6-12) - \$7; Preschool - Free. Proceeds will be used to support Epworth's Youth Ministries. United Women in Faith will have a **Garden Produce & Bake Sale 4:30-7pm** with proceeds supporting UWF Missions.

## The Week Ahead: July 28-August 3, 2025

### Monday, July 28

Pastor's Sabbath

### Tuesday, July 29

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

1:30pm - Text Study

### Wednesday, July 30

No Quilters

9:00am-12:00pm - Crazy Days Bake Sale at FLC

5:00pm-7:00pm - Summer Grocery Store

7:15pm - Music in the Park

### Saturday, August 2

Valley Quilters Rummage Sale at FLC

### Sunday, August 3

9:30am - Worship Service

10:30am - Coffee Fellowship

**Noisy Offering—School Supplies.** We received \$238.67 for our noisy offering last Sunday for School Supplies! Thank you for your generous giving! Your change & dollar bills continue to make a difference!



**The Mission Team School Supplies Drive has begun!** Please drop by your school supplies donations anytime before **August 4th**. A container will be in the gathering area. Monetary donations should be placed in the donation envelopes and marked “School Supplies” or you can drop your donation by the office.

We appreciate all the support this congregation gives to this project each year!

**Items Needed:**

Crayola Crayons (box of 24); Crayola Fine Line Markers (8ct ct); Crayola Broad Line Markers (box of 10 classic colors); Elmer’s School Glue; Black Sharpie Markers; Pink Erasers; Plastic Pencil Boxes; #2 Lead Pencils; Mechanical Pencils; Glue Sticks; Two-Pocket Folders; Scissors; Wide-lined Notebooks; College-lined Notebooks; Colored Pencils (24 ct); Highlighters; 12” Rulers; Pens; Loose Leaf Wide-lined Paper; 1 inch & 2 inch 3 Ring Binders; Large Size Boxes of Tissues; Clorox Wipes.

**The Summer Grocery Store is open Wednesdays through August 6, 5-7pm at VCHS.** This is a way for anyone that needs food assistance to choose a variety of food items for their families to eat. We need your help in stocking the shelves with food items. A container for your donations is in the gathering area. with proceeds supporting UWF Missions.

**Music in the Park this Wednesday, July 30 Prime Time Gospel Choir will be performing at 7:15pm at the Larry Robinson VCSU Center for the Arts.** A free will offering is taken each week to assist in continued work on the bandshell as well as programs.



**LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:**

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

**Hospitalized:** Sandi Pollock (CHI Mercy Health in Valley City)

**General Prayer List:**—LaVerne Bjornson; Verlynn Christianson; JoAn Neller-moe; Don Burke; Amanda Spencer (Karen Nitschke’s granddaughter); Scott Stanford; Bob Green; Mackenzie Schram (Becky Kratz’ niece); Alan Scherling (Elaine Wall’s nephew); Nancy Knutson; Jake Archambeau (Karen Nitschke’s nephew); Kay Stanford; Linda Moser; Mary Buringrud (Nikki Moen’s mother); Bea Faust; Verna Anderson; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill’s grandson); Rick Anderson (Bud & Verna Anderson’s son); Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz’ mother).

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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 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.



**Valley Quilters Famous Rummage Sale—Saturday, August 2, 8am-2pm** here at Faith Lutheran. Cash only! To name a few of the items that will be for sale are finished projects, fabric/kits, patterns, sewing tools and much more!