SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

*SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
*GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW pg. 144
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 pow’r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION
*THE LORD’S PRAYER ELW pg. 145

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’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

*SENDING SONG **“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”** ELW 674

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



Faith Lutheran Church ELCA

309 Fourth Street Northeast
Valley City, North Dakota
Pastor: Jamie Desai
Ministers in Daily Life: People of God at Faith
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 15, 2026
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.

*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
Sing for the Lord a new song
For God has done marvelous things.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord
With joyous songs and praises.
Sound the trumpets and horns
Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

*GATHERING SONG **"The Journey of Praise"** see screen

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN ELW pg. 95

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is 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 wolrd and on our way. ELW pg. 184
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY
Righteous God**, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of th eday of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 (PB pg. 978- Old Testament)
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
Psalm 90:1-8, 12 (please read responsively)
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (PB pg. 219 - New Testament)
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation **"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"** ELW 752
The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 25th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord
Matthew 25:14-30 (PB pg. 29- New Testament)
The Gospel of the Lord - Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Jamie Desai

*HYMN OF THE DAY **"Christ, Be Our Light"** ELW 715

*APOSTLES' CREED ELW pg. 127

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

Serving Today

Greeter:	*Harper Nathan*
Ushers:	*Chloe Sayler, Jack & Val Moritz*
Lector:	*Cheryl Foell*
Acolyte:	*Harper Nathan*
Coffee/Kitchen:	*Kayla Holm, Kathy Holm, Bonnie Kramer*
Keyboard & Vocals:	*Cyndi Hill*
Vocals:	*Julie May*

Attendance

Attendance:	11/1	151	24+ online
	11/8	150	44+ online

Offering:	11/1	$4,715.00
	11/8	$13,434.00

Mission Plan monthly
$24,295.67

The Week Ahead: November 16-22, 2026

Monday, November 16
Pastor's Sabbath

Tuesday, November 17
10:30am – Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, November 18
1:00pm – Quilters
1:30pm – FLC Staff Meeting
3:15pm – Kids Club
5:15pm – Council Meeting
6:30pm – Confirmation at OSLC

Thursday, November 19
5:30pm – Thanksgiving Basket Filling at FLC
6:30pm – JH Youth Group – Pizza

Friday, November 20
5:00pm-6:30pm – Thanksgiving Baskets Pick Up/Delivery

Saturday, November 21
8:am – Men's Group Meets

Sunday, November 22
Noisy Offering
9:30am – Worship Service
10:30am – Coffee Fellowship
10:45am – Sunday School Christmas Program Practice
4:00pm–Thanksgiving Service at Congregational Church

Announcements

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

Community Thanksgiving Baskets Mission Project –
It's almost time for our Thanksgiving Basket tradition! Faith Lutheran is partnering with **Our Savior's** and **Trinity Lutheran** to bless local families with Thanksgiving meals.
Important Dates:
Basket Packing: Thursday, November 19 –5:30pm
Basket Pickup: Friday, November 20 – 5:30pm
Basket Delivery: Friday, November 21 – 5pm
Volunteers of all ages and abilities are welcome – this is a great service opportunity, especially for Confirmation students! Want to help? Sign up in the gathering area or contact Julie in the office. Monetary donations can be dropped off or placed in an envelope labeled "Thanksgiving Baskets."
If you know someone who could use a Thanksgiving basket this year, please contact Julie to have them added to the recipient list. Questions? Contact Krista Johnson, Mary Rausch, Brenda Rohde, or Erin Metcalf.

Fall Cleaning Sunday – Today, November 15 after worship service. Just like in the past, we will do the extra deep cleaning that can't be done during the regular weekly cleaning. The more help we have the faster we are done. We will be cleaning the sanctuary floor. Since there is floor heat under the flooring, we like to do this twice a year to keep it clean but not destroy the heating elements. Thank you to all the men who volunteer their time to help. It is a big undertaking but looks so nice when it is finished.

Throughout the month of November the Mission Team continues to collect winter gloves/mittens and caps for the elementary schools. A collection container is under the table in the gathering area.

Christmas Program Practice has begun! We hope your Sunday School children will be able to attend the practices. Wendi will be assigning speaking parts so she will need to know who will be here. **The program is scheduled for Sunday, December 13th. Please note that there is no Sunday School Nov 15 due to church cleaning day and no Sunday School Nov 29 due to Thanksgiving break.**

Noisy Offering—Next Sunday, November 22 we will be receiving a noisy offering for the **Mission Christmas Fund.** The children will be collecting your loose change and dollar bills for you to drop in their bucket. Your loose change and dollar bills make a different! We are thankful for your generous giving.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Annual Lefse, Bake & Quilt Sale—Saturday, November 21 8:30-11:00am. Enjoy a roll and coffee before you check out the freshly made lefse and other baked goodies. Good Samaritan Quilters are offering quilts for sale. Come do your Thanksgiving baking!

You are cordially invited to join us **Sunday, November 22** at the Congregational United Church of Christ for the **Community Thanksgiving Worship Service** at 4pm. A meal will be served afterwards. We ask everyone to bring non-perishable items or monetary donation for the Barnes Council Food Pantry. All are welcome! The meal is free and open to the public.

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:
SMP Health – St Raphael: Marlys Freadhoff; Mark Hill; Diane Kohn; Paula Krall; Arlene Larson; Laurette Zachrison.
General Prayer List: Jill Pederson; Mary Ann Anderson; Peggy Scherling (Elaine Wall's niece); Jamie Bredeson; Melody Schram (Becky Kratz' aunt); Alan Black (Gloriann Gaarder's great-nephew); Anita Scholz; Maureen Walch; Verlynn Christianson; Don & Kathy Burke; Scott & Kay Stanford; Mackenzie Schram (Becky Kratz' niece); Nancy Knutson; Linda Moser; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill's grandson); Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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Diapers and More: Baby Essential Drive—November 1-30. Healthy Families ND is non-profit home visiting program that supports prenatal families & families with young children. Many of the families served struggle with providing the basic necessities for their children.- Collecting donations of diapers, wipes, nursing bads, and breast milk storage bags for families in need in our community. Drop box here at Faith & Dacotah Bank. Thank you!