



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 5, 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. 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.

*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)

Colossians 3:1-4 (PB pg. 215 - New Testament)

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

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“**Be Not Afraid**”

ELW 388

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

"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"

ELW 377

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

ELW 473

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

ELW 471

"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: 9:30am—Joan Noeske; 11:00am—Erin Metcalf
Ushers: 9:30am—Greg & Karen Burchill;
11:00am—Elise Miller, Emily Thompson
Lector: 9:30am—Don Schlotman; 11:00am—Jessica Jenrich
Acolyte: 9:30am—Rylee Gray; 11:00am—Halle Welken
Keyboard & Vocals: Cyndi Hill
Vocals: Julie May
Soloist: Kristen Pierce
Trumpets: Gordon Johnson, Theresa Haag

Attendance

Attendance: 3/29 (Palm Sunday) 192 57+ online

Offering: 3/1 \$3,307.00
3/8 \$6,086.00
3/15 \$4,007.00
3/22 \$3,798.00
3/29 5,266.00

Mission Plan monthly
\$24,295.67

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.



We do have ear buds available for people who are hard of hearing and would like to use them to hear the service better. Talk to the sound person and they will set you up.



Sunday, April 12, 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 6 in observance of Easter.



Maundy Thursday we welcomed 9 children to the communion table to receive their 1st Communion. They are Bristol Carlson, Claire Heide, Rhett Holm, Olivia Johnson, Elsie Jorissen, Corrigan Langemo, Rowan Nathan, Blake Schmidt, Eleanor Stearns. God bless these children!

Thank you to everyone who prepared and served the Lenten meals! They were all delicious and appreciated! Thank you confirmation youth for helping with the clean up!

WELCA Spring Round-Up—Saturday, April 18, 9am-3pm, Bagg Bonanza Historical Farm. If you missed the March 28 early registration deadline, call today: Jeanne at 701-230-8745 or email mrswo@gmail.com. Registration is FREE but they need an early count for lunch and lunch is \$20 paid day of event.

The Week Ahead: April 6-12, 2026

Monday, April 6

Pastor's Sabbath
Office Closed

Tuesday, April 7

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 8

1:00pm - Quilters
1:30pm - FLC Staff Meeting
3:15pm - Kids Club
3:30pm - WELCA Meets
6:30pm - Confirmation at Trinity

Thursday, April 9

Quilting Class

Friday, April 10

Quilting Class
JH Youth - Pack the SHAC

Sunday, April 12

Holy Humor Sunday
9:30am - Worship Service
10:30am - Coffee Fellowship
10:30am - Mission Breakfast for Casa de Fe at Trinity
10:45am - Sunday School
11:00am-1:30pm - Holy Trinity Spring Dinner - Fingal

It's Time for a Church Spring Cleaning Day! We will hold the Spring Cleaning Day, **Sunday, April 19** right after our worship service so please wear your cleaning cloths to church that day. Sandy & Mark will have a table of cleaning supplies and a list of what needs to be done so you can choose what you would like to do. If you have a ladder, ether step or regular, that you could bring that would be helpful so we can clean the windows and wipe down door frames. We will be moving pews and cleaning the sanctuary floor. Thank you for your willingness to volunteer your time and energy!

Celebration Cake Box Mission—

The Mission Team 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)
- *Small pack of candles

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

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, we do have cards that you may place in the offering plates that say you give electronically.



LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

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

General Prayer List:—Rita Bearman; Anita Scholz; Marlys Kunze; Karla Ranisate; Maureen Walch (Karen Nitschke's sister); Doug Kratz; Verlynn Christianson; Lee Ann Peterson; Angela Rohde (Jake Rohde's mother); Don & Kathy Burke; Amanda Spencer (Karen Nitschke's granddaughter); Scott & Kay Stanford; Bob Green; Mackenzie Schram (Becky Kratz' niece); Nancy Knutson; Jake Archambeau (Karen Nitschke's nephew); Linda Moser; Mary Buringrud; Bea Faust; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill's grandson); Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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Holy Trinity Spring Dinner and Bake Sale—Sunday,

April 12, 11am-1:30pm, Fingal, ND. They will be serving

Ham, Mashed potatoes/gravy, Baby carrots, Salads, Buns,

Desserts, Beverage. Cost: Adults—\$15; Grade K-6—\$7;

Pre-K—Free. Take Outs Available.