

*“As you go,
proclaim
the good news,
The kingdom
of heaven
has come near.”*

Matthew 10:7. NRSV



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

309 Fourth Street Northeast
Valley City, North Dakota

Pastor: Jamie Desai

Ministers in Daily Life: People of God at Faith

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 14, 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)

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord.

We will worship the Lord with gladness.

It is the Lord who made us, we are the Lord's people.

Come before the Lord with praise and thanksgiving.

The Lord is good and his steadfast love will endure forever.

*GATHERING SONG

"He Has Made Me Glad"

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CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Gracious Lord God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Gracious Lord God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

SONG OF MERCY

"God Is So Good"

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WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are an accepted, forgiven, and loved child of God.

I am an accepted, forgiven, and loved child of God.

SONG OF PRAISE **“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”**

ELW 535

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of compassion, **you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)

Exodus 19:2-8a (PB pg. 72- Old Testament)

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

Psalms 100 (please read responsively)

Romans 5:1-8 (PB pg. 162 - New Testament)

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

*Gospel Acclamation **“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”**

ELW 751

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

Glory to you, O Lord

Matthew 9:35-10:8 (PB pg. 10 - New Testament)

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

SERMON

Pastor Jamie Desai

*HYMN OF THE DAY **“Will You Come and Follow Me”**

ELW 798

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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I believe in the God of promise—the God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca—Jacob and Rachel—the God of the past—the God of now—the God who owns the future. I believe in Jesus, God in our flesh—God who seeks us out—God who comes to serve—God who embraces outcasts—God who reigns from a cross—God who conquers death. I believe in the Holy Spirit—God with us forever—God giving us faith—God empowering our witness—God filling us with peace. I Believe! Amen.

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

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY

“Doxology”

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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

“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

“Rise Up, O Saints of God” vs 1,2,5

ELW 669

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

POSTLUDE

We depart to serve the Lord

Serving Today

Greeters/Ushers:

*Joe & Martee Lunde, Jan Arneson,
Brent & Janis Wallender*

Lector:

Taylor Yanish

Coffee:

*Joe & Martee Lunde, Jan Arneson,
Brent & Janis Wallender*

Keyboard & Vocals:

Cyndi Hill

Vocals:

Julie May

Attendance

Attendance: 6/7 67 45+ online

Offering: 6/7 \$4,025.00

Mission Plan monthly

\$24,295.67

The Week Ahead: June 15-21, 2026

Monday, June 15

Pastor's Sabbath

7:00am - Property Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 16

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

5:30pm - Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 17

Men's Group—Potluck at Sayler's Cabin

1:00pm - Quilters

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

7:15pm - Music in the City Park Bandshell

Friday, June 19

7:00pm - Peggy Lee Day Concert

Sunday, June 21

Happy Father's Day!

Noisy Offering—Food Pantry

9:30am - Worship Service

10:30am - Coffee Fellowship

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.



Please take time to read the Bridges

Backpack Program insert. This is a vital program for our community. The Summer Food Assistance is a Summer Grocery Store. We need your help in stocking the shelves with food items. A list of items is on the insert as well as how the program will work. A container is in the gathering area for the food items.

Noisy Offering—Barnes County Food Pantry. Next Sunday, June 21 we will be receiving a noisy offering during the Children's Word that will go to the Barnes County Food Pantry. Your change & dollar bills continue to make a difference!

Mission Breakfast for Casa de Fe—Today, June 14, 10:30am-12:30pm at Trinity Lutheran. Free-will offering proceeds benefit the orphans of Casa de Fe orphanage in Shell, Ecuador.

Men's Group Potluck Supper—Wednesday, June 17 the Sayler's Cabin at Sibley. Bring a dish to pass. Meet at the church at **5:00pm** to carpool. An email will be sent out with information also.

Love to Bake? Love Your Library? Here is a great opportunity for you to do both! The library is looking for donations of pies for the **Annual Pie & Ice Cream Day Fundraiser to be held Saturday, June 20th, 11am-3pm** on the Library Lawn. Volunteers are needed too! If interested, please sign up at the circulation desk in the library or call 845-3821.

Peggy Lee Day in Valley City—Friday, June 19, 7pm, enjoy a free program at the Larry J. Robinson VCSU Fine Arts Center. Program will feature the Myron Sommerfeld Band with vocalist Miss Bonnie Lynn, along with special guests Joe DeMasi and Maddie Klabo. Please bring Food Items for the Barnes County Food Pantry.

Music in the Park—Wednesday, June 17th The Original Buffalo Alice Band will be performing at 7:15pm. Bring your lawn chairs. A free will offering is taken each week to support the bandshell & Music in the Park. Due to inclement weather programs will be moved to the VCSU Robinson Center for the Arts.

Epworth United Women in Faith's 2026 Rest of the Midwest Salad Luncheon featuring Wide Rice Salad— Enjoy the Salad Luncheon Tuesday, June 23, 11am-1pm. Cost is adults - \$10; ages 6-12 - \$7. Everyone is welcome! All proceeds given to UWF Missions.

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.



Charitable Strategies with Ben Boline—Tuesday, June 23, 5:30-7:30pm—The Reserve at Woodland. Call to register 845-2894. Join the Dakota Prairie Associates and Northland Thrivent Member Network to learn more about charitable giving with Thrivent. This in-person event will focus on integrating charitable giving into your financial plan, with insights for individuals, nonprofits, and churches on flexible endowment strategies.



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:—Jamie Bredeson; Melody Schram (Becky Kratz' aunt); Alan Black (Gloriann Gaarder's great-nephew); Rita Bearman; Anita Scholz; Marlys Kunze; Karla Ranisate; Maureen Walch; Doug Kratz; Verlynn Christianson; Lee Ann Peterson; Angela Rohde (Jake Rohde's mother); Don & Kathy Burke; Scott & Kay Stanford; Mackenzie Schram (Becky Kratz' niece); Nancy Knutson; Linda Moser; Mary Buringrud; Bea Faust; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill's grandson); Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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The Church Directories—You can pick your directories up from the office during the week. Everyone who had their picture taken for the directory or submitted a photo will get one first. If you would like a directory and didn't have a photo taken or submitted, the directories are \$15 each. Thank you for your patience waiting for them to arrive!

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.