

From the cloud came a



*"This is my Son,
the Beloved;
listen to him!"*

MARK 9:7, NRSV

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

309 Fourth Street Northeast

Valley City, North Dakota

Interim Pastor: Jamie Desai

Ministers in Daily Life: People of God at Faith

Transfiguration of Our Lord February 11, 2024

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

Learn Song

"Mercy"

see screen

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come join Jesus today on his transfiguration.

We have come this morning in hopes of being transformed by God.

Come walk with Jesus who Is The Way, The Truth and The Life.

We have come to join the journey of Jesus today.

Come all you people and join the journey of Jesus today.

*GATHERING SONG **"Come Now Is the Time to Worship"** see screen

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Gracious Lord God, your life and death hold up a mirror to our own weakness and sin. This morning we have gathered here together as people who have messed up and turned away from you.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Gracious Lord God, we want to be your followers, but just like your first disciples we fall asleep or fall away. We deny you or betray you or abandon you. We are afraid of what taking up your cross to follow you may mean for our lives. Forgive us, O Lord.

SONG OF MERCY

"Mercy"

see screen

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have been transformed and adopted into the family of God. You are an accepted, forgiven and loved child of God.

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

*SONG OF PRAISE

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

ELW 671

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, **the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S WORD

Noisy Offering—BC Food Pantry

CHILDREN SING

♪Jesus Loves Me!♪

SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)

2 Kings 2:1-12 (PB pg. 369 - Old Testament)

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

Psalms 50:1-6 (please read responsively)

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (PB pg. 190 - New Testament)

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

*Gospel Acclamation **“Jesus, Name Above All Names”** vs 1,3 see screen

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

Glory to you, O Lord

Mark 9:2-9 (PB pg. 45 - New Testament)

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

SERMON

Pastor Jamie Desai

*HYMN OF THE DAY **“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”**

ELW 712

*APOSTLES’ CREED

ELW pg. 127

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

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY **“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”** vs 1 ELW 631

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: **“Just As I Am, without One Plea”** ELW 592

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” ELW 815

“One Bread, One Body” ELW 496

“You Are My All in All” (chorus) see screen

*BLESSING

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 **“We Are Marching in the Light”** vs 1,4 ELW 866

*DISMISSAL Go in peace and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

We depart to serve the Lord

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.

Our sympathies to the family & friends of Mavis Johnson. Mavis died Sunday, February 4. Her funeral will be today, February 11 at 2pm at Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel with visitation an hour before the service.

The flowers gracing our chancel/altar this morning are in memory of **Steve Welken** given by Larry & Deloris Welken and Family.

Souper Bowl of Caring is Today.



- * Because today is Souper Bowl of Caring we will be receiving a **Noisy Offering** during the Children's Word for Barnes County Food Bank. The children will be collecting your loose change and dollar bills in their bucket. We are thankful for your generous giving.
- * The youth will be serving soup-to-go after worship. **This is a free will offering.** The donations received will go to BC Food Pantry and Hi-Liner Pantry. The youth and parents will be serving **10:30am-12:30pm.**



Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, February 14th! Council will be serving soup and sandwiches 5:30-6:15pm. This is freewill donation. Our service will be at 6:30pm. For the Ash Wednesday service we will receive Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes.

Serving Today

Greeters: Warren & Brenda Ventsch
Ushers: Adam & Amanda Pilgrim Family
Lector: Nancy Knutson
Acolyte: Audrey Jacobson
Kitchen: Rick & Audrey Bredeson, Warren & Brenda Ventsch
Keyboard & Vocals: Cyndi Hill
Vocals: Julie May

Attendance & Offering

Attendance: 2/4 109 98+ online

Offering: 2/4 \$4,965.00

Mission Plan monthly

\$22,752.25

The Week Ahead: February 12-18, 2024

Monday, February 12

Pastor's Sabbath

Tuesday, February 13

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

1:30pm - Text Study

5:15pm - Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

1:00pm - Quilters

3:15pm - Kids Club

5:30pm - Meal Served

6:30pm - Ash Wednesday Service

w/Holy Communion
& Imposition of Ashes

Thursday, February 15

5:15pm - Worship Committee's

1st Meeting

Friday, February 16

Jr/Sr High Youth—Lazer Tubing

Saturday, February 17

8:00am - Men's Group Meets

Sunday, February 18

No Sunday School

9:30am - Worship Service

10:30am - Coffee Fellowship

10:30am - March Service & Care

Meeting

Lenten Meals—We are asking groups or families to sign up to make and serve a simple meal for one of the Wednesdays. You should plan for between 50-60 people. A sign up sheet is on the table in the gathering area. We have 3 dates that are open at the moment. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Lenten Services—Throughout Lent we will serve a freewill offering meal **5:30-6:15pm**. Lenten services will be at **6:30pm**. This year's theme is ***“Turning the World Around: Bible Anti-Heroes and Villains”***. We will have the local ELCA pastors leading the services in a round robin style. Each week the pastors will rotate to a different church. Ash Wednesday and Holy Week each of the pastors will be at their home church. The pastors participating are Pr. Jamie, Pr Kyle (Our Savior's), Pr Diane (Trinity) and Pr Sharayah (Parishes in Fingal, Nome & Kathryn), We look forward to worshiping together. We will be live-streaming the Lenten services on our Facebook page.



No Sunday School next Sunday due to the schools being off on Friday, February 16 & Monday, February 18.

Thanks to your generosity we were able to bring 53 pairs of pajamas and 25 fleece tied blankets to Project Ignite Light! Thank you for your donations of pajamas and fleece. Thank you to everyone who helped with the preparation and tying of the blankets last Sunday! Thank you Al & Nancy Sorensen and Jerry & Carol Moritz for delivering them to Project Ignite Light! We are collecting 2 piece pajamas through February.

Benefit for Sam Hill—February 17, 5-7pm at the Valley City Eagles Club. Join Sam's friends & family for a benefit supporting Sam and his need for a service dog! There will be a free-will offering meal of a baked potato bar! There will also be prize boards and silent auction. Sam has drug resistant epilepsy.



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:—Mike Kainz (Kirsten Gerhardt's father); Verna Anderson; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill's grandson); Heath Webber; Sue Olson; Christl Durand (Tami Kratz' sister); Dave Heley (Shawn Ranisate's stepfather); Rick Anderson (Bud & Verna Anderson's son); Curt Tufty (Sue Olson's brother-in-law); Sandy Mulvaney; Doug Altringer; Lori Hill (Tami Kratz's sister); Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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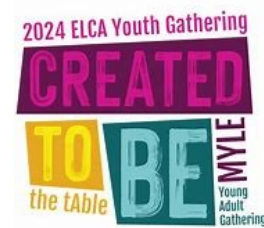
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***“A Night in New Orleans”*—**

National Youth Gathering Fundraiser

We will gather at Our Savior's Lutheran Church on Sunday, March 3rd at 5:30pm for a night out with friends and family, and enjoy a multi-course New Orleans themed meal to help raise money for Youth from Faith, Trinity, and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches to attend the ELCA Youth Service Trip this July.

Because of the anticipated food costs, this will be a ticketed event. The cost of a ticket is \$25 (ages 12 & up) and \$15 (ages 11 & under). Money from ticket purchases should eventually make their way to Faith Lutheran, earmarked for the National Youth Gathering. The tickets are for sale in church offices and Sundays through Sunday, February 25th. For those who purchase tickets remember to bring your ticket with you the night of the dinner.