



Palm Sunday

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

309 Fourth Street Northeast
Valley City, North Dakota

Interim Pastor: Jamie Desai

Ministers in Daily Life: People of God at Faith

Palm Sunday

March 24, 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

*PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

Mark 11:1-11 (PB pg. 52 - New Testament)

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

PROCESSION OF PALMS

Preschool-6th Grade Children

PROCESSIONAL HYMN **"Prepare the Royal Highway"** vs 1-3

ELW 264

CHILDREN'S SKIT

♪♪ CHILDREN SING ♪♪

"This Little Light of Mine" "Hosanna Rock"

NOISY OFFERING

Barnes County Ministerial Fund

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS (PB- Pew Bible)

Isaiah 50:4-9a (PB pg. 755 - Old Testament)

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

Psalms 31:9-16 (please read responsively)

Philippians 2:5-11 (PB pg. 210 - New Testament)

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

*Gospel Acclamation **“Jesus, Remember Me”** ELW 616

Mark’s Passion Story

Mark 14-15 (PB pg. 52 - New Testament)

PASTOR’S WORD

Pastor Jamie Desai

*HYMN OF THE DAY **“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”** ELW 335

*APOSTLES’ CREED ELW pg. 127

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY **“Create in Me a Clean Heart”** ELW 185

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:

**(speaking) 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:	“Let Us Break Bread Together”	ELW 471
	“Lamb of God”	ELW 336
	“As the Deer Runs to the River” vs 1,2,4	ELW 331
	“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. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN	“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”	ELW 857
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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve in love. **Okay we will!**

POSTLUDE

We depart to serve the Lord

<u>Serving Today</u>	
Greeters/Ushers:	<i>Mikkal & Wanda Auka, Seth Auka, Greg & Sarah Friestad Bob Hetler</i>
Lector:	<i>Kylie Van Bruggen</i>
Acolyte:	<i>Mikkal & Wanda Auka, Seth Auka, Greg & Sarah Friestad</i>
Kitchen:	<i>Cyndi Hill</i>
Keyboard & Vocals:	<i>Julie May</i>
Vocals:	
<u>Attendance & Offering</u>	
Attendance:	3/17 92 87+ online 3/20 (Lent) 62 57+ online
Offering:	3/3 \$5,203.00 3/10 \$4,175.00 3/17 \$6,052.33
Mission Plan monthly	\$22,752.25

The Week Ahead: March 25-31, 2024

Monday, March 25

Pastor's Sabbath

Tuesday, March 26

10:30am - Women's Bible Study

1:30pm - Text Study

Wednesday, March 27

No Activities

Thursday, March 28

Maundy Thursday

5:30pm - Meal Served

(Free Will Offering)

6:30pm - Worship Service

1st Communion Received

Friday, March 29

Good Friday

Office Closed at Noon

12:10pm - Community Good

Friday Service at Our Savior's

6:30pm - Tenabrae Service

Sunday, March 31

Easter Sunday

No Sunday School

9:30am - Worship Service

10:30am - Coffee Fellowship



Holy Week Schedule:

March 24—Palm Sunday - Sunday

School kids process in with palms

& will sing at 9:30am service.

11:20am—Easter Egg Hunt PreK-6.

March 28—Maundy Thursday—1st Communion received

at 6:30pm Lenten service.

March 29—Good Friday—Tenebrae Service at 6:30pm.

Community Good Friday Service is at 12:10 at

Our Savior's.

March 31—Easter Sunday—Service at 9:30am.



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 begin Holy Week. We encourage you to attend the Maundy Thursday Service. First Communion will be received by 6 young people. The Tenabrae service (Good Friday) is a meaningful service that leads us on the path of Jesus to His death on the cross. You will enter and leave in silence.

Today we will be receiving a **noisy offering for the Barnes County Ministerial Fund**. This is a community fund set up by the local churches and is used to help those who are in need of assistance. The kids will be bringing around their pails. Thank you for your generous giving!



The office will be closed at noon on Friday, March 29 and closed all day on Monday, April 1 in observance of Easter.



We will be adorning our altar with **Easter Lilies** on Easter Sunday—If you would like to contribute a cash donation (suggested \$20 donation) towards their purchase in memory or in honor of a loved one, a sign up sheet is in the gathering area.

Today is the last day to sign up! We will put the names of your loved ones in the Easter bulletin. Other plants and flowers are very welcome in our Easter garden.

Thank you for giving a Thankoffering to WELCA. The envelopes were stapled to the front of your newsletters. Extra Thankoffering envelopes are on the table in the gathering area.



WELCA will be collecting items for **Personal Health Kits** for Lutheran World Relief through Lent.

Items for the health kits are:

- 1 - light weight bath towel** (between 20"x40" and 52"x27")
 - 1 - adult size toothbrush** in it's original packaging
 - 1 - metal fingernail clipper**, remove packaging
 - 1 - sturdy comb**, remove packaging
 - 2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap**, 8 or 9 oz in original wrapping
- A container is in the gathering area for these items.



Make
Someone
Smile

Sunday, April 7, 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 Community Closet is in need of new socks, underwear, and personal care items. Male adults is the most needed but items for all ages both men and women are welcome. We will collect items in March and April. We have a donation box in the gathering area.



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:—JoAn Nellerenmoe; Katie Staffeldt (Elaine Walls' great-niece); Patsy Vogel (Elaine Walls' sister); Jeanne Speich (Cheryl Foell's step-mother); Kim Homan (Cheryl Peterson and LeeAnn & Ron Peterson's brother); Karla Ranisate; Mike Kainz (Kirsten Gerhardt's father); Verna Anderson; Samuel Hill (Cyndi & Mark Hill's grandson); Sue Olson; Rick Anderson (Bud & Verna Anderson's son); Curt Tufty (Sue Olson's brother-in-law); Sandy Mulvaney; Doug Altringer; Mary Schram (Becky Kratz' mother).

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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.

