# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

# *Sharing God’s Word; Showing God’s Love; Serving God’s World.*

8th Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2025

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Temple Talk – Devin Zahringer**

**Opening Hymn “God of Grace and God of Glory” #705**

**Kyrie (sung) Page 203**

**Canticle of Praise “Now the Feast and Celebration” #167**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading:** Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

2 Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
  vanity of vanities! All is vanity.  
  12 I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. 13 I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. 14 I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.  
 2:18 I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, 19 and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. 20 So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, 21 because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. 22 What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? 23 For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity. L: The word of the Lord. **C:  Thanks be to God.**

**Second Reading:** Colossians 3:1-11

1 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, 3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. 5 Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. 7 These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. 8 But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices 10 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. 11 In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all! L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation Page 205**

**Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.**

**Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.**

**Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.**

**Gospel**: Luke 12:13-21 **C: Glory to you O Lord.**

13 Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” 14 But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” 15 And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” 16 Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17 And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ 18 Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ 20 But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ 21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn**  **“One Bread, One Body” #496**

#### The Apostle’s Creed

**Passing of the Peace** P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: Every year is a year with you Lord. We pray for those who are celebrating their birthday this week: Maelyn Miller,

Stephanie Mittnacht, Callie Wenzel, Myrna Lippert, Aubrey Hill, Hadley Beckman, Tammy Meyer, Taylor Zucchi,

Tom Madson, Scott Zucchi, Mary Reichardt, Reggie Kranz, Guy Valleskey, Hunter Spindler, Carver McCulley, Mark

Ulness and Hunter Griffin. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for all those who are in need of healing and comfort. We pray for the family of Bill Riesterer. And for Bob

Argall, Char Manke, Ted Jeske, Mitchell Zutz, Bertha Kulnick, Larry and Sharon Naidl, Judy Jorgenson, Jim and Jan

Reinertson,Harry Kwasny, Ginger Linsmeier, Ilan Walny, Todd Streckert, Dennis O’Leary, Merle Graf, Wayne Allen

Huske. Lord you are the Great Physician. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Inspire us with your Holy Spirit and lead us in your pathways. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P:We name now before you, Lord, those in need of your presence and care \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Help them to know your

abundant blessings and healing touch. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your

compassion made known through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**Offering**

**Offertory Response “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” #182**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and

fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus

Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord,** **God of power and might,** **heav’n 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**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Invitation to Communion** P:Come to the table that our Lord has prepared.

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.**

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love

our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus’ name.

**C: Amen.**

#### Benediction

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless

you and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” #774**

P: Go in the Spirit of Christ to love and serve the Lord!

**C: Sharing God’s Word, Showing God’s Love, and Serving God’s World!**

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**Serving Us Today**

Organist: Devin Zahringer Greeter: Lynda Pautz

Acolyte: Garrett Jeske Lector & Communion Aide: Stacy Wilker

Head Usher: Scott Reinertson Ushers: John Robley, Mary Thomsen, Wayne Huske

Sound Operator & Projection: Erin Lenzner Video/Live Stream: Carter Lenzner

**Serving Us Next Week**

Organist: Sue Riesterer Greeter: Joan Pritzl

Acolyte: Eliza Wilker Lector: Joan Pritzl

Head Usher: Scott Reinertson Ushers: Richard Menza and Loren Ulness

Sound Operator: Projection: Rod Merino

Video/Live Stream:

**Last Week** – Sunday: 90 Wednesday: 33 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $3,609.75

**Faith’s Opportunities August 3-10**

**Sunday** 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

**Monday** 9:00 A.M. Women’s Bible Study

6:00 P.M. Board of Evangelism

**Wednesday** 9:00 A.M. Jazzercise

6:15 P.M. Worship

**Thursday** 8:00 A.M. Quilting

**Saturday** 9:00 A.M. 2nd Saturday Bible Study

**Sunday** 9:00 A.M. Worship

10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

**Dark hand towels are needed for LWR baby kits.** Please place them in the stewardship cabinet across from the church office. Thank you.

**On Saturday, August 23 at 11:00 am, Pastor Lyman will be holding the memorial service for his mother, Nancy Joan Lyman.** You are invited to attend. There will be a family only reception afterward.

**Faith’s Pantry needs the following items before our next open pantry on August 16.** Mac n cheese, ketchup (no mustard), instant coffee, jam/jelly, peanut butter, corn, peas, green beans only, Ramen soups, canned meals, granola bars,

juice boxes, panty liners/pads, shampoo, laundry soap, dish soap, Kleenex, snack items.

**The Board of Christian Education is in the process of planning this upcoming school year.** We are looking for volunteers to fill various roles! No experience needed, all teacher/leader roles will have you partnering with members with experience. Parents/ grandparents, please consider teaching Sunday School!

\*Pre/K Sunday School teacher(s)/aid

\*K-2nd & 3rd-4th co-teacher role

\*5th-6th grade Sunday School teacher(s)

\*Substitute teachers for Sunday School & Wednesday Confirmation class.

Please contact our youth coordinator valleskeyb@gmail.com if you have any questions or are interested in joining our team!

**Your friend joined the bell choir and now they ring bells very well and you don’t know how they do it?** Come join the bell choir and find out how they do it. You don’t have good pitch? The bell makes the right pitch every time you ring it! Come join the fun! Those who are interested, please see our organist, Devin Zahringer. He also can be reached by phone or text: (920) 973-5542.

At several council meetings we have heard about the technical problems of our video streaming system. We have been fortunate so far to “patch” the problems in a timely way. At the last council meeting we voted to replace our current 10-year-old set of cameras and associated panels with a new set. The total cost of the upgrade will be $18,250. If you would like to contribute to this improvement, please contribute for the “camera fund” by bringing in your donation to the church office or putting it in the offering plate. White envelopes are available in the pews for your use.

On August 17, we are having a short service at Faith and then attending an ecumenical service at Union Park (behind First Lutheran Church) and picnic. Special preaching. Special music and good picnic food with at least 5 other congregations in Manitowoc! Mark your calendars.

**Faith Lutheran has apparel available.** There are 2 options for logo wear to pick from with 18 different types of apparel with different color options. The Lakeshore Screen Printing Webstore is providing us with these options and can be found at https://designersloungeco.com/product-category/faith-lutheran-church/. Go to their website, find the link for Faith Lutheran, and place your order. The store will be closing in October. Orders will be completed as they receive them and can be picked up at church when they are complete. For more information, please talk with Julie Hartman or give her a call at 920-758-2317.

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