# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

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

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025 7:00 & 9:00 am

**Unveiling of the Cross** (7:00) **“Were You There” Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Easter Dialog** P: Christ is risen. **C: He is risen indeed.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship** (9:00) **“Shout to the Lord” Sue Riesterer, Devin Zahringer and Inspiration Choir**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give

 us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of

 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Gracious God,

 **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are**

 **truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have**

 **done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live**

 **and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.** **Amen.**

**Opening Hymn “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” vs. 1,3,4 #365**

**Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

**This is the Feast**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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: 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.**

**First Reading**: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, and beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." L: The Word of the LORD. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

1Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, 2through which also you are being saved. If you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. 3For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures. 4And that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures. 5And that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. 6Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. 7Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. 8Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me [Paul]. 9For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. 10But by the grace of God I am what I am. And his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. 11Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe. L: The Word of the LORD. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. **Page 151**

**Special Music 9:00 a.m. “Agnus Dei” by Joel Raney Inspiration Choir**

**Gospel**:John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. 2So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” 3Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. 4The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. 6Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, 7and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10Then the disciples returned to their homes. 11But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 12and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. 13They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” 14When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 15Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” 16Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). 17Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” 18Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her. P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children’s Sermon**

**Hymn “Now the Green Blade Rises” #379**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn**  **“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”****vs. 1,2,4 #367**

#### The Apostles’ Creed

**Passing of the Peace**

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

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: Kindle new life in your church. Encourage all who seek creative ways to share the good news of Christ’s

 resurrection. Bless mission developers and new ministries, that their work plant seeds of Faith that flourish. God of

 grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Nourish new life in all of creation. Shower forests and grasslands, pastures and fields, deserts, and mountains with life-

 giving rains and your abundant blessings. Grant us delight in your glory that shows forth in all that grows this season.

 God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Empower new life among the nations. As you raised Jesus from the dead, bring new hope for peace and

 reconciliation in places of war and strife, places that have known too much death. Raise up leaders who are steadfast in

 their commitment to justice. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Bring new hope among all who are in need, especially neighbors without homes or food, and those whose housing or

 food supply is at risk. Bring healing to all who are fearful, ill, or grieving. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Awaken new life in Faith Lutheran Church and our community. Teach us how to open our hearts to ways you are

 calling us to be at work here in Valders and in the world. Give us courage to boldly share your love for all people

 beyond our walls. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for all those who are currently serving in the military, especially:Daniel Brandl, Carter Hildebrandt, Andy

 Schnell and Ethan Tienor. Be their constant companion and bring them safely home to us. God of grace, **hear our**

 **prayer.**

P: We pray for all who proclaim your Gospel and witness to your truth; “Christ is risen.” **C:** **He is risen indeed**.

P: We pray especially for our Bishop Anne Edison-Albright, our presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, our pastor, and for all

 the people of Faith Lutheran Church. Inspire us with your Holy Spirit and lead us in your pathways. God of

 grace, **hear our prayer.**

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

 Janice Streckert, Dennis Schuh, Brenda Goehring, Colin Stalvey, Michelle Robley, Ben Cigler, Danielle Konz, Emily

 Reinertson, Jim Reinertson, Robin Gordon, Lee Ann Jeske, David Haupt, Lauren O’Leary and Qwynn Jandrey. God of

 grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for all those who are in need of healing and comfort. We pray especially for Cathy Luckow and family upon

 the death of her brother Mike Eisner, and we pray for Ted Jeske, Mitchell Zutz, Bev Torrison, Bertha Kulnick, Larry

 and Sharon Naidl, Judy Jorgenson, Jim and Jan Reinertson,Harry Kwasny, Ginger Linsmeier, Larry Broich, Joann

 Sebo, Todd Streckert, Dennis O’Leary, Merle Graf, Wayne Allen Huske. Lord you are the Great Physician. 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 and

 firmly believe that you are with them. 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 “That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”** vs. 1 **#384**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again,

 breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

**C: Amen.**

*Faith Lutheran and the ELCA practice “open communion.” The communion table is the Lord’s Table, and all are welcome to receive the bread and wine. If you wish to receive only a blessing please come forward to receive it.*

**Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer**

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

**Distribution Hymns** “I Know That My Redeemer Lives!” **vs. 1,2,3,7,8** #619 “Lamb of God” #336

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory,

 and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

**C: Amen.**

#### Benediction

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! **C:** **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Closing Hymn “Thine Is the Glory”****#376**

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!**

**Serving Us @ 7:00 A.M.**

Organist: Devin Zahringer Head Usher: Matt Krogh

Greeters: Kelly Krogh & Ariana Herrick Acolyte: Dexter Valleskey

Ushers: Dean and Rose Behnke Family Lector & Communion Aide: Stacy Wilker

Sound Operator: Bill Riesterer Projection: Bill Riesterer

**Serving Us @ 9:00 A.M.**

Organist: Devin Zahringer Head Usher: Glenn Otto

Greeters: Sage and Alex Trepasso Acolyte: Phoebe Cigler

Ushers: Mark and Angie Ulness Family Lector: Kaye Jandrey

Sound Operator & Video/Live Stream: Carter Lenzner Projection: Mollie Junk Communion Aide: Al Gilbertson

**Last Week** – Sunday: 202 Wednesday: no worship Offerings to the Lord’s work: $6,769.00

**Faith’s Opportunities April 21-27**

**Monday** Office closed, 5:30 P.M. Bd. Stewardship & Jazzercise, 6:30 P.M. Council

**Tuesday** 3:00 & 6:00 P.M. Bible Study

**Wednesday** 9:00 A.M. Jazzercise, 6:15 P.M. Worship, 7:00 P.M. Confirmation

**Thursday**  8:00 A.M. Quilting, 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

**Sunday** 8:00 A.M. Bell Choir, 9:00 A.M. Worship, 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour,

 10:15 A.M. Sunday School, Inspiration Choir, 9th grade Nerf & Nacho event

**Flowers** are placed in the altar area in memory of Norma Argall by Bob and family. **Lily plants** are provided by Lakeshore Family Funeral Homes in memory of Brian Thomsen, Gloria Smith, Karen Halverson, Marlene Thomsen, Michele Schmidt and Thomas Behnke.

*Thank you for the following that have made our altar so festive this Easter Sunday:*

In memory of Gilman, Grace and Elaine Peterson by Carolyn Coble

In memory of loved ones by Sue and Bill Riesterer

In memory of Marian Broich and Robert Burzynski by Lynn and Larry Burzynski

In memory of Don Tienor by Mardell Tienor

In thanksgiving to God by Loren and Carol Ulness

In thanksgiving to God by Joan Pritzl

In thanksgiving to God by Jill Backus

In thanksgiving for our family by Dennis and Bonnie Gordon

In memory of Paul Schnell and Rollie Tonnell by John and Kerry Schnell

In memory of Marlyn and Margaret Evenson by Marilyn and Tony Schad

In memory of The Schneider Family by Eric, Lana and Eli Nelson

In memory of Dennis Evenson by Marlene Evenson

In memory of Ralph and Melissa Evenson and Jay Stiefvater by Steve and Ginny Schwoerer

In thanksgiving to God by Brian and Gemma Ulness

In memory of Richard Kornelly, aunt, uncles and grandparents by Scott and Amy Reinertson
In thanksgiving to God by Julie Hartman

In thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren by Jen and Mark Zutz

In memory of Eunice Wellner, Carl Borgwardt and Bethany Sorenson by Joyce Sorenson

In thanksgiving to God by Ron and Kaye Jandrey

In honor of God’s blessings by Susan Christel

In memory of Dennis Evenson by Debbie and Gail and families

In special thanksgiving for all our family members by Dave and Terry Haupt

In memory of Ted, Betty and Bruce Jeske by The Jeske Family

In memory of Donald and Kurt Evenson by Matt and Kelly Krogh

*World Hunger* donations were given:

In memory of Edward Streckert by Janice Streckert and family

In memory of Delores Johnson by Don Johnson.

Church grounds cleanup will be Saturday April 26 at 9:00 a.m. Many hands make light work. Join us to beautify our grounds. Imago Dei Village cleanup will be Saturday, May 10 for anyone who wants to help clean up camp.