# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

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

7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:**  **Amen**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse

 the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily

 magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God

 who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

**C**: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in**

 **thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved**

 **you with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son,**

 **Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will**

 **and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the

 name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit, you are forgiven.

**C: Amen**

**Opening Hymn “Spirit of Gentleness” vs. 1,2,4 #396**

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: God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the**

 **courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every**

 **circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### First Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5

1 [A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.2 And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. 3 He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. 4 The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord God.” 5 Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them. L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

2 I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. 3 And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—4 was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. 5 On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. 6 But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, 7 even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. 8 Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, 9 but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 10 Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong. 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. **P. 151**

### Gospel: Mark 6:1-13 C: Glory to you O Lord.

1 [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.2 On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! 3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. 4 Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” 5 And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. 6 And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. 7 He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. 8 He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; 9 but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. 10 He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. 11 If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” 12 So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. 13 They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn**  **“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #742**

**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: Loving God as you bent down to wash the feet of your disciples, teach us to follow in serving others. Teach

 us the divine power of the servant church. Make us wise so we may welcome your all-sufficient grace.

 In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Life-giving God, your fingers trace the heavens and your hands shape the earth. Where there is drought,

 bring nourishing rain. Where there is too much rain, bring relief. Sustain the well-being of every living thing.

 In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Merciful God, help the nations to listen when you speak. Open those who govern to the cries of all who

 journey with no food or shelter, particularly people fleeing violence, those seeking freedom, and those in

 search of safe communities. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Gracious God, your embrace brings wholeness to those who are troubled. Anoint all who suffer in any way

 with the oil of healing and grant them renewal. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Welcoming God, in your presence strangers become companions and enemies become neighbors. Teach us

 how to open our doors in welcome to those we have so easily shut out, particularly people who are different

 from us or who are marginalized by church or society. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

 the people of Faith Lutheran Church. We pray for this community of believers, inspire us with your Holy

 Spirit and lead us in your pathways. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

 Zutz, Dorene Schneider, Ashley Reinertson, McKenzie Ott, Kinsley Wittmus, Sharon Naidl, Lee A.

 Evenson, Tammy Karstaedt, Michelle Schwoerer, Taylor Wittmus, Katie Thomsen, Dean Behnke, Nathan

 Wenzel, Dianne Hougen, Don Schreiner, Robert Pinkerton, Keith Lippert and Judy Rusch. In your mercy,

 **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for all those who are in need of healing, especially: Tristan Teuke, Steve Ahrens, Janice Streckert

 and family, Marge Klessig, Larry and Sharon Naidl, Judy Jorgenson, Marlene Thomsen, Jim and Jan

 Reinertson,Harry Kwasny, Ginger Linsmeier, Merle Graf and Wayne Allen Huske. Lord you are the Great

 Physician. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: We remember all those who are currently serving in the military, especially:Daniel Brandl, Dylan Conrad,

 Carter Hildebrandt, Andy Schnell and Ethan Tienor. Be their constant companion and bring them safely

 home to us. In your mercy, **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. In your mercy, **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 “Lord, Be Glorified” vs. 1-2 #744**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:

 ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your

 love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer**

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

**Distribution Hymns “Let There Be Peace on Earth” “It is Well with My Soul” vs. 1-4 #785**

Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me
Let There Be Peace on Earth The peace that was meant to be

With God as our Father Brothers all are we
Let me walk with my brother In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me Let this be the moment now.

With ev'ry step I take Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live Each moment in peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished

 us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **C: Amen.**

#### Benediction

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn “This Land is Your Land”**

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 Today**

Organist: Devin Zahringer Head Usher: Lee A. Evenson

Greeter: Ellen Polifka Acolyte: Landen Pinkerton

Ushers: Mark and Angie Ulness Family Lector & Communion Aide: Judy Harris

Sound Operator: Carter Lenzner Projection: Luke Evenson

Video/Live Stream: Carter Lenzner

**Serving Us Next Week**

Organist: Sue Riesterer Head Usher: Lee A. Evenson

Greeters: Tom and Rae Madson Acolyte: Zachary Lenzner

Ushers: Tyler Madson, Bonnie Gordon, Joan Pritzl Lector: Ava Ulness

Sound Operator: Erin Lenzner Projection: Erin Lenzner Video/Live Stream: Mike Lenzner

**Last Week** – Sunday: 97 Wednesday: 33 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $6,176.00

Roses are placed in the altar area in loving memory of Norma Argall by Bob Argall and family.

**Faith’s Opportunities July 7-14**

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

 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

 2:30 P.M. Bus leaves for Confirmation Camp

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

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

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

 6:00 P.M. Board of Youth and Family

 6:15 P.M. Worship

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

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

**Friday** 2:15 P.M. Return from Confirmation Camp

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

 2:00 P.M. Russell Reinertson Memorial Service at Valders West

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

 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

**Faith’s pantry is in need of the following items before July’s open pantry:** Tuna, canned meals, peas, canned potatoes, mixed veggies, brown beans (no green beans or corn please), soup (no chicken noodle), fruit (no fruit cocktail), tomato/spaghetti sauce, bagged noodles (no other noodles besides the bagged), boxed mashed potatoes, dressing, Hamburger Helper, cookies, snack items, granola bars, pop tarts, instant coffee, juice boxes, fruit cups, pudding cups, ice cream cones, ice pops, cleaning supplies, baggies, tin foil, garbage bags, shampoo, laundry and dish soap. Items can be placed in the gathering space in the indicated bins marked Faith’s Pantry at the information desk. Thank you. We are still collecting egg cartons but do not want the Styrofoam cartons. Also, brown bags that are clean. Thank you very much for your continued support!!! -- *Sandy Halverson*

Mini Golf and Ice Cream Night

Mark your calendars for a night of mini golf at the Manitowoc Aquatic Center on Friday, July 19th from 6-7:30. Cost is $6 for 18 holes or $8 for 36 holes. All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. After we wrap up at the golf course, we will head to Cedar Crest Ice Cream for a sweet treat. The Board of Youth and Family hopes to see you there! Please contact Erin Lenzner at 920-901-7089 if you have questions or plan to attend.