# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

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

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship “Be Thou My Vision” Bell Choir**

**Opening Hymn “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” vs. 1-4 #502**

**Kyrie (sung)**

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.**

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.**

**Canticle of Praise**

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

**C: Lord God, heavenly King,** **almighty God and Father,** **we worship you,** **we give you thanks,** **we praise you for**

 **your glory.** **Lord Jesus Christ,** **only Son of the Father,** **Lord God, Lamb of God,** **you take away the sin of the**

 **world:** **have mercy on us;** **you are seated at the right hand of the Father:** **receive our prayer.** **For you alone are**

 **the Holy One,** **you alone are the Lord,** **you alone are the Most High,** **Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,** **in the**

 **glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Special Music – Sunday School Choir** *accompanied by Chase Wilker on guitar*

**Sunday School Noisy Offering**

**First Reading**: Acts 9:36-43

36 Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. 37 At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” 39 So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. 40 Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. 42 This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. 43 Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner. L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23 (read responsively)**

1 The Lord | is my shepherd; I shall not | be in want.
2 **The Lord makes me lie down | in green pastures** **and leads me be- | side still waters.**
3 You restore my | soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways | for your name’s sake.
4 **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;** **for you are with me; your rod**

 **and your staff, they | comfort me.**

 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running

 over.
6 **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,** **and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord forever.**

### Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

### 9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying,  “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing,  “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”  13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” 14 I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 For this reason they are before the throne of God,  and worship him day and night within his temple,  and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  the sun will not strike them,  nor any scorching heat; 17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

### 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**

**Gospel**: John 10:22-30

22 At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, 23 and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. 24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” 25 Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; 26 but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. 27 My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. 30 The Father and I are one.” P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn**  **“The Lord’s My Shepherd” vs. 1,3,5 #778**

#### Holy Baptism – Olivia Lynn Glaeser

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,**

 **suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he**

 **rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living**

 **and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the**

 **resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Passing of the Peace**

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

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: You guide your people to the waters of life. Make your church a nourishing place for all who are thirsty for hope and

 healing. Renew us in the waters of baptism, and send us forth as signs of your love. Refresh us and inspire us. Hear us,

 O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P: You tend to the earth, sustaining life in all places. Teach us how to tend the land you have given into our stewardship.

 Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P: You lead all peoples along right pathways. Give us wisdom as we confront crime and punishment. Wisdom to

 encourage rehabilitation and empower processes of restorative justice. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P: You wipe the tears from every eye. Tend to all who struggle with anxiety or depression, loneliness, or despair. Enfold

 all who are in any need in your shepherding care. You are the Good Shepherd. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P: This Mother’s Day, bless mothers, grandmothers, and all who offer mothering care. Come close to those whose

 relationships with their families are difficult. Console all who grieve the loss of their mother, mother figures or the loss

 of children. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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. Hear us, O God.

 **Your mercy is great.**

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. Hear us, O God.

 **Your mercy is great.**

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

 Leonard Reinertson, David Linzmeier, Pam Brick, Brenda Olson, Wylder Fochs, Jennifer Junk, Sandy Halverson,

 Vicki Wetenkamp, Ellen Polifka, Jennifer Ott, Michael Wenzel and Charlie Saunders. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is**

 **great.**

P: We pray for all those who are in need of healing and comfort. We pray for Ted Jeske, Mitchell Zutz, 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. Hear

 us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” #885**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our

 possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our

 Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

#### 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 “God Be with You Till We Meet Again”****#536**

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: Grace Sorenson

Acolyte: Sage Trepasso Lector: Joan Pritzl

Head Usher: Matt Krogh Ushers: Jim Ahrens, Bonnie Gordon, Lori Propson

Projection: Makenna Kaderabek Sound Operator & Video/Live Stream: Carter Lenzner

 **Serving Us Next Week**

Organist: Devin Zahringer Greeter: Grace Sorenson

Acolyte: Eliza Wilker Lector & Communion: Jenniffer Zutz

Head Usher: Matt Krogh Sound Operator: Loren Ulness

Projection: Judy Harris Ushers: Ron & Kaye Jandrey, John Robley

Video/Live Stream: Eric Thomsen

**Last Week** – Sunday: 103 Wednesday: 35 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $5,243.47

**Faith’s Opportunities May 11-18**

**Sunday** 8:00 A.M. Bell Choir

 9:00 A.M. Worship

 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

 10:15 A.M. Inspiration Choir

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

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

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

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

 6:15 P.M. Worship

**Thursday**  Newsletter info due to office

 8:00 A.M. Quilting

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

**Saturday** 9:00 A.M. Open Pantry

**Sunday** 8:00 A.M. Inspiration Choir

 9:00 A.M. Worship

 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour

This morning, we welcome Olivia Lynn Glaeser into God’s kingdom and our congregation through Holy Baptism. Olivia was born to Brett and Dani Glaeser on January 24, and her baptismal sponsors are Lindsay Glaeser and DJ Madson. Grandparents are Kevin and Julie Madson and Brian and Carol Glaeser. Great-grandparents are Joy and the late Larry Madson, Jim and Yvonne Hochkammer, Lois and the late Earl Glaeser and Patricia and the late Norbert Ahl. We rejoice at Olivia’s rebirth through water and the Word!

**We have been invited to our first 175th Anniversary celebration.** First Lutheran Church in Manitowoc is holding an organ recital and hymn sing with a reception afterward, May 18 at 3:00 pm. 175 years ago our Norwegian ancestors chartered 3 local churches which have become, in 175 years, First Lutheran of Manitowoc and Faith Lutheran of Valders. First Lutheran is located at 521 N. 8th Street in downtown Manitowoc.

**Today is the last day to submit your photos of veterans for Memorial Day.** Please bring it to the church office. It will be returned to you. Include your name and branch of service.

**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 open for 6 months. Orders will be completed as they receive them and can be picked up at church when they are complete. If you do not have internet access and would like to purchase apparel, Al Gilbertson will be here on Sundays to help you. For more information, please talk with Julie Hartman or give her a call at 920-758-2317.

We are having a **Blood Drive on Tuesday May 20 from 2-6 pm** in the fellowship hall. Contact Kaye Jandrey at 920-775-4439 for appointment availability. Give blood, get subs! Receive a coupon for $5 off $15 from Cousins Subs, while supplies last!

The Board of Youth and Family would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped with the Easter breakfast this year. We had a great group on Saturday to set up and prepare the food, as well as on Sunday for breakfast itself. We appreciate everyone who pitched in to help!

QR Code Giving: Just use your smart phone’s QR Code Reader and scan this QR Code to begin your generosity giving! You can set it up to give your gift for a One-Time gift or you can set up a recurring gift (Every Week, Every Two Weeks, Twice a Month (1st & 15th), Monthly, Quarterly, or Annually). You can have your gift taken directly from your bank account or you can give with either your debit or credit card. You can pick the day you want your gift to be given. With this way of giving, you can also give to the General Offering, Church Property, World Hunger, and Lent/Holiday gifts. To view the different giving opportunities: When you first enter the app just scroll down to the line that says “View more giving opportunities” below the “Add to Basket” highlighted line.