# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

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

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2024

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Temple Talk**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**C: We turn to you Lord and confess our sins. Things done and things left undone, evil and covetous impulses of**

 **our sinful nature. We repent, O Lord, help us to turn from selfish sins and turn to you and our neighbors in**

 **holy love. Amen.**

P: Our confession is imperfect. Our repentance is imperfect. But your forgiveness is perfect. Our sins are forgiven in the

 name of the Father + and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Opening Hymn “All Things Bright and Beautiful” vs. 1-4 #767 WOV**

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: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is**

 **faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus**

 **Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading:** Genesis 2:18-24

18The Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” 19So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. 21So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.” 24Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. L:  The Word of the Lord.  **C:  Thanks be to God.**

**Second Reading:**Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, 2but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. 3He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.
 2:5Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. 6But someone has testified somewhere, “What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? 7You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, 8subjecting all things under their feet.” Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them,9but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.10It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. 11For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, 12saying, “I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.” 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 10:2-16 **C: Glory to you O Lord.**

2Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” 3He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” 4They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” 5But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. 6But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ 7‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, 8and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” 10Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. 11He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; 12and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” 13People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. 14But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. 15Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” 16And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them. P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn “Beautiful Savior” vs. 1-4 #838**

**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: God of our ancestors, we give thanks for the church in all times, especially those who passed your saving Gospel to us

 from generation to generation. May we listen for the prophets of this age who bear messages that stir the church

 toward renewal and justice. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Creator of every living creature on earth, direct our lives toward the renewal and sustaining of cattle, birds of the air,

 animals of the field, and those who share our homes. Reveal the ways we can work alongside creation for the health

 and well-being of all. Inspire us to be good stewards of the earth. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Sovereign God, we pray for all those harmed by the recent hurricane. The loss of life, the loss of homes, the loss of

 livelihood, the loss of beautiful forests and waterways. The losses overwhelm us. Help us, Lord. Sustain us in our

 griefs that we may sustain others generously. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: God of All, we see war in the Middle East growing larger and inspiring more hate, future generations of hate. Teach

 us how to avoid eternal war. Teach us how to find peace at last. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Unifying God, humans were created for relationship with each other. Forgive us when division threatens

 companionship, mutual support, and unity among us. May your love inspire us to build supportive communities of

 faith where all are cherished. God of grace, **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. 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: Stefanie

 Kaderabek, Jill Lippert, Harper Frank, Gail McCulley, Trevor Griffin, Judith Tracy, Evan Brick, Delton Duchow,

 Taylor Pederson and Brian Brill. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for all those who are in need of healing and comfort. We pray especially for Gloria Smith, Tom Behnke, Ruth

 Torrison, Marge Klessig, Larry and Sharon Naidl, Judy Jorgenson, Jim and Jan Reinertson,Harry Kwasny, Ginger

 Linsmeier, Merle Graf and Wayne Allen Huske. Lord you are the Great Physician. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: We remember 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 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 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” #752**

**Offertory Prayer**

P: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one

 another and all in need, through 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 “Here Is Bread” #483 “We Come to The Hungry Feast” #479 “One Bread, One Body” #496**

**Prayer after Communion**

P: Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others

 and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Benediction**

P: God all mighty, God most merciful ☩ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” vs. 1 #545**

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: Sue Riesterer Head Usher: Lee A. Evenson

Greeter: Julie Hartman Acolyte: Allison Goehring

Ushers: Brian and Tammy Brill, Wayne Huske Lector & Communion Aide: Jen Zutz

Sound Operator: Loren Ulness Projection: Rod Merino

Video/Live Stream: Bill Riesterer and Carter Kuenstler

**Serving Us Next Week**

Organist: Sue Riesterer Head Usher: Lee A. Evenson

Greeter: Keith Lippert Acolyte: Zachary Lenzner

Ushers: Steve and Ginny Schwoerer, Marcus Galien Lector: Judy Harris

Sound Operator: Carter Lenzner Projection: Luke Evenson Video/Live Stream: Carter Lenzner and Carter Kuenstler

Last Week – Sunday: 111 Wednesday: 51 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $4,583.55

**Faith’s Opportunities October 6-13**

**Sunday** 10:00 A.M. Potluck

 10:15 A.M. Sunday School, Inspiration Choir

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

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

 6:00 P.M. Boards of Lay Ministry and Evangelism

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

 6:00 P.M. Card Making in Community Room

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

 6:15 P.M. Worship

 7:00 P.M. Confirmation and Faith on Fire

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

 8:30 A.M. Secretary’s Meeting

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

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

9:00 A.M. Worship

 10:00 A.M. Potluck

 10:15 A.M. Sunday School, Inspiration Choir, First Communion Retreat

**Hey! We are having a potluck today after the service.** If you forgot and didn’t bring anything, come eat anyway as there is plenty!

**Bell Choir had its first practice this morning before worship, but it is not too late to join. The next practice is next Sunday at 8:00 am!**

**Join us Saturday, October 12 for our Community Health Fair from 8:00-12:30 p.m.** Representatives will be here discussing funeral planning, Power of Attorney for health care, signing up to be an Organ Donor and vision screening. This is a free event and open to the public. If interested, sign up by October 8 in the Gathering Space on the table provided.

**Shipping date for LWR is Saturday, October 19**

Dave & Terry Haupt will take all that we have boxed up to Sheboygan.  We will need to pack our trailer on Friday, October 18 around 4:30pm.  This should only take about 15 minutes. With many hands, makes light work.  If you have a hand dolly, please bring it along.  We will load from the back door by the stage.  If anyone needs service hours, we can sign for you also. Thank you for all you have donated towards this year’s LWR. — Dave & Terry Haupt

The Board of Youth and Family would like to invite your child to attend a fall-themed **Kids Day Out after Sunday School on Sunday, October 20 from 11-12:30.** Students will decorate cookies, participate in a pumpkin decorating contest, test their skills at pumpkin bowling and engage in other fall inspired activities.  Please sign up using the following link, so we can plan accordingly: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FAFAF2CA0FAC52-51425842-kids.

**Please add to your prayers this month our First Communion candidates:** Bryce Goman, Edyn Peterson, Mackenzie and Michael Trepasso. They will receive their First Communion on October 20.

**Faith’s Open Pantry is running low, and your generous help is needed before October’s pantry. Wish list includes.** Toilet paper, paper towel, Kleenex, shave cream/razors for men and ladies, snack items, assorted crackers, regular size boxes of cereal, assorted flavored instant oatmeal, granola bars, breakfast bars, pancake mix, syrup, honey, jam/jelly, canned fruit, tomato products, sauce, spaghetti sauce, instant coffee, juice boxes, cream of chicken, mushroom and tomato soup, other variety of soups, pop tarts, snack items, popcorn etc., canned meals, baby wipes, deodorant, fruit and pudding cups, corn. If you can help, please drop off items before October 19. Thank you. Sandy Halverson.

**OCTOBER STEWARDSHIP is InCourage (formerly Domestic Violence Center)**

**GENERAL ITEMS:** dishwasher detergent, dish detergent, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, cleaning supplies, disinfecting wipes, bleach, mops, brooms, paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, kitchen utensils, silverware, food storage containers, freezer bags, kitchen towels, dish cloths, bath towels, wash cloths, pillows, pillow cases, twin & full vinyl mattress covers, alarm clocks, laundry baskets, baby monitors, AA & AAA batteries, full size sheet sets. **NEW CLOTHING FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN:** socks, underwear, sweatshirts, sweatpants, T-shirts in all sizes, mittens/gloves, hats & scarves. *Clothing must have tags on them, or gift receipts attached.*  **PERSONAL CARE ITEMS:** infant, child & adult cold, flu & allergy medicine, cough drops, lip balm, feminine products, lotion, face wash/body wash, baby bottles, Sippy cups, bottle brushes, teething toys, diapers & pull-ups (size 2, 4, 5 & 6), wipes, diaper rash cream, combs, brushes, hair dryers. **FOOD:** non-perishable food items. **GIFT CARDS:** gas, groceries, local stores, movie rentals, calling cards. Any gift cards or cash can be left in the church office for pick up.

Anything purchased for InCourage should be clearly marked and placed inside the stewardship cabinet near the church office. Thank you for your continued support. — Terry Haupt

Check out the new QR code for giving on the green sheet in the pews or on our website at faithlutheranchurchvalders.org.

Faith Matters was taken to the post office Friday, September 27. Copies are available at the information desk, or you may view it on our website at faithlutheranchurchvalders.org.