# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

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

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024

**Welcome and Announcements**

**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 “How Good, Lord, to Be Here!” vs. 1,2,5 #315**

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, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to**

 **lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding**

 **as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20

18It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. 19But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!” 20But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. L:  The Word of the Lord.  **C:  Thanks be to God.**

**Second Reading:** James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

13Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. 14But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. 15Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. 16For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. 17But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. 18And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.4:1Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? 2You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. 3You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. 7Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8aDraw near to God, and he will draw near to 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 9:30-37 C: Glory to you O Lord. (sung Sunday)

30[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;31for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” 32But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. 33Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” 34But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. 35He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” 36Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 37“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.” P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ. (sung Sunday)**

**Message ~ Pastor Dan Lyman**

**Hymn “Lord, Whose Love, in Humble Service” vs. 1-3 #712**

**Holy Baptism of Zander Gregory Mittnacht**

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: Loving God, you welcome all at your table of grace. Instill in your church a spirit of humility and curiosity,

 that we embrace all who seek you. We pray especially for ministries of hospitality and faith formation. Hear

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

P: Creating God, you shape the world so there is more than enough for all. Curb our habits of overuse, and

 Make us good stewards of all your blessings. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P: Gracious God, your peace brings justice and unity. Encourage peace among peoples, tribes, and nations;

 heal divisions in our country and local communities, that together we might cooperate for the good of all.

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

P: Transforming God, you accompany all of us through changes and transitions. Help us to see where you are

 calling this community to new ways of living the gospel promise; assure us that even as change brings loss,

 it also brings hope and life. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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. 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: Roger

 Sorenson, Travis Goehring, Michiela Miller, Harry Kwasny Jr., Linda Hoefner, Marlene Kohlmann, Tricia

 Olson, Carolyn Coble, Taylor Jeske, Kathy Mattern, Chad Frank, Kelly Meyer, Shelia Kalies and Peter

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

P: We pray for those who are missing and cannot be found. We pray especially for their parents and loved ones

 whose hearts are like an unhealed wound. We lift our prayers on behalf of Elijah Vue, Ryan Borgwardt, and

 all who are missing from our table and home. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P: We pray for all those who are in need of healing and comfort. We pray especially for The Thomsen Family,

 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. Hear us,

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

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. 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 and firmly believe that you are with them. 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 “We Give Thee but Thine Own” vs. 1 #686**

**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.**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benediction**

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

**C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn “Where Charity and Love Prevail” vs. 1-4 #359**

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 Head Usher: Tom Madson

Greeters: Steve and Ginny Schwoerer Acolyte: Logan Bratt

Ushers: Richard Menza and Keith Lippert Lector: Ava Ulness

Sound Operator: Lucas Spindler Video/Live Stream: Jake Kaderabek

Projection: Addison Spindler

**Serving Us Next Week**

Organist: Sue Riesterer Head Usher: Tom Madson

Greeter: Cheryl Domrath Acolyte: Liam Cline

Ushers: Bonnie Gordon, Joan Pritzl and Lori Propson Lector: Don Domrath

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

Last Week – Sunday: 128 Wednesday: 40 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $5,787.1

**This morning, we welcome Zayden Gregory Mittnacht into God’s kingdom and our congregation through Holy Baptism.** Zayden was born to Devin and Sierra Mittnacht on November 10, 2023, and his baptismal sponsors are Anna MacDonald and Chase Lubbert. Grandparents are Stephanie Mittnacht, Stacy Roehrig and Steve Fermanich. Great grandparents are Susan Parks, Jim and Judy Fermanich and Don and Theresa Mittnacht. We rejoice at Zayden’s rebirth through water and the Word!

**Faith’s Opportunities September 22-29**

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

 10:15 A.M. Sunday School, Inspiration Choir, 9th grade confirmation

**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

 7:00 P.M. Confirmation

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

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

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**SEPTEMBER STEWARDSHIP - CLOTH DIAPERS flat fold**

There are envelopes in the pews labeled "Dollars for Diapers". These can be placed in the offering plates/box, which will be given to church office and donated monies will be used to buy the Baby Kits. There should be 10 diapers per pack, 4 diapers are needed for each kit.  Also needed in the kit are 4 large diaper pins. Diapers can also be purchased and placed in the Stewardship Cabinet across from the church office.

**Hey! We are having a potluck on October 6th!** Just a time of fun and fellowship. Pastor Lyman likes potlucks so much that his Texas congregation nicknamed him “Potluck!” The plan is to have potluck brunch after worship, bring whatever you want. If we have too many desserts, who is going to complain?

**Bell Choir practice begins Sunday, October 6 at 8:00 A.M. in the balcony.** Interested in finding out how much fun the Bell Choir has? Join us in the balcony on October 6.

**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.