# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

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

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 16, 2022

## **Gathering**

**Welcome and Announcements**

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

**Psalm 100**

P: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**C: Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

P: Know that the LORD is God.

**C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise

 his name.

**C: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues**

 **through all generations.**

**Opening Hymn “Now Thank We All Our God” #840**

P: The grace of the 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: Almighty God, you provide all we need for life: food and clothing, home and family,**

 **daily work, and the goodness of all creation. Give us wisdom by your Holy Spirit so**

 **that our possessions do not become a curse, but an instrument of blessing; through**

 **Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Holy Scriptures**

**Old Testament Reading:** Deuteronomy 8:10 – 18

 *These are some of Moses’ last teachings as the Israelites prepared to enter the Promised Land. They would prosper, but Moses warns them not to put their faith and hope in their wealth.*

 When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Timothy 6:6 – 10

 But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Song “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High” #857**

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 6:19 – 24

 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

 “The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

 “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

P: The Gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message “Money is to be a Tool, Not a Master”**

**Hymn of Response “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult” #696**

P: Let us confess our faith in our God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—in the words of an

 African Creed.

**C: We believe in one High God, who out of love created the beautiful world and**

 **everything good in it. He created people and wanted them to be happy in the world. God loves the world, and every nation and tribe on the earth. We have known this High God in the darkness, and now we know him in the light. God promised in the book of his Word, the Bible, that he would save the world and all nations and tribes.**

 **We believe that God made good his promise by sending his Son, Jesus Christ, a man of flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village, who left his home and was always on safari doing good, curing people by the power of God, teaching them about God and humanity. Showing that the meaning of religion is love, He was rejected by His people, tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died. He lay buried in the ground, but on the third day he rose from the grave. He ascended to the skies. He is Lord.**

 **We believe that all our sins are forgiven through him. All who have faith in him must be sorry for their sins, be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God, live the rules of love, and share their bread together in love, announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again. We are waiting for him. He is alive. He lives. This we believe. Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ

 our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**OFFERING**

**Offertory “Take My Life that I May Be” vs. 1, 5 #685**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**C: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. Help us**

 **to grow strong in faith and love, so that we might be for the world signs of your**

 **gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Holy Communion**

P: Let us prepare our hearts for Holy Communion, reflecting on our need for Christ’s

 atoning sacrifice on the cross. None of us are perfect. We all fall short and put our faith in

 the amazing grace of God.

**C: Heavenly Father, forgive us our sins for Jesus sake and help us to put our trust in**

 **you. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God

 forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to

 become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen!**

P: Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living

 faith as he comes to us in the Lord’s Supper.

**C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION –** *The Fourth grade Communion Class is invited to be the first to come up for communion. Welcome to God’s table: Colton Bessert, Dustin Eisenschink, Lauren Halverson, Arianna Herrick, Paden Hougen, Sage Peterson, Westen Schisel and Walker Ulness.*

**Distribution Hymns “Just as I Am” #592 “Love Divine” #631**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

**Closing Hymn “Shine, Jesus, Shine” #671**

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.

**Faith’s Opportunities October 16-23**

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

**Monday** 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

 6:30 P.M. Council

**Tuesday** 9:00 A.M. Senior Christians at the Lighthouse Inn

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

 6:15 P.M. Worship

 7:15 P.M. 7th & 8th grade Confirmation

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

 5:30 P.M. Jazzercise

**Saturday** 7:00 P.M. Grades 7-12 at Haunted Golf Cart Maze

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

9:00 A.M. Worship

 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hour and Sunday school

 10:15 A.M. 9th grade confirmation

**Serving Us Today**

Organist: Peggy Madson Head Usher: Lee A. Evenson

Greeter: Carter Valleskey Acolyte: Mollie Junk

Ushers: Ron Jones and Larry Naidl Lector & Communion Aide: Brian Ulness

Sound Operator: Garrett Ulness Projection: Whitney Ulness Video/Live Stream: Travis Schisel

**Serving Us Next Week**

Organist: Peggy Madson Head Usher: Paul Franz

Greeter: Mollie Junk Acolyte: Kolten Schisel

Ushers: Brian and Tammy Brill Lector: Stacy Wilker

Sound Operator: Hunter Spindler Video/Live Stream: Gage Spindler & Travis Schisel

Projection: Judy Harris

**Last Week** – Sunday: 125 Wednesday: 33 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $5,891.00

**Known to have been hospitalized or in need of prayer:** Jim and Jan Reinertson,Daryl Gilbertson,Harry Kwasny, Donald Tienor, Delores Johnson, Ginger Linsmeier, Bob Klessig, Ilan Walny (grandson of Larry and Lynn Burzynski), Matt Kerkhoff, Tom Titzkowski, Henry Holzer, Jim Loritz, Merle “Butch” Graf, Wayne Allen Huske.

**Please keep in your thoughts and prayers the following who are serving in the military:** Daniel Brandl, Matthew Brill, Kyle and Dylan Conrad, Corey Evenson, Carter Hildebrandt, Jeff Konz and Andy Schnell. If there are others we should be remembering, please inform the church office.

Congratulations to Don and Delores Johnson who will be celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary October 18. Flowers are placed in the altar area in their honor. After service this morning come to fellowship hour for cake and celebrate with them.

**Calling all kids in grades 7-12!** Please join us for a night out in Reedsville for a Haunted Golf Cart Maze, sponsored by the Reedsville FFA on Saturday, October 22nd.  Food and games will also be available.  Cost is $5.00 for adults and $3.00 for kids 18 and under.  We will plan to meet in the lower parking lot at church at 7:00pm and head to Reedsville as a group.  Please contact Erin Lenzner at 901-7089 if interested.  Drivers may be needed, so if any parents are willing, please let Erin know that as well.

Lefse time is fast-approaching and the Board of Youth and Family will begin to take orders before and after services on October 23rd, 26th, and 30th, as well as November 2nd.  Cost this year has increased to $15/dozen due to increased cost of supplies.  Please contact Erin Lenzner or Stacy Wilker with any questions.  We are also looking for adult and student volunteers, as well as any griddles, rolling pins, etc. to help make this event a success.  Lefse will be made on November 11th starting at 8:00 am and on the 12th, if an additional day is needed.  Please look for a signup sheet soon.