

2nd Sunday in Epiphany

January 18th, 2026

Order of Worship - 9:00am

Welcome

Ministry Highlights

Gathering Song *"Dearest Jesus, at Your Word"* ELW #520

Greeting

Kyrie & Hymn of Praise WOV Setting 4

Prayer of the Day

Scripture Reading Isaiah 49: 1-7 (NRSV)

Gospel Acclamation WOV Setting 4

Gospel Reading John 1: 29-42 (NRSV)

Sermon **Wait! Isn't Pointing Rude?** **Pastor Sue**

Offering *"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"* ELW #696

Offertory Prayer

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Holy Communion *"Lamb of God" WOV Setting 4*
"We All Are One in Mission" ELW #576
"O Jesus, I Have Promised" ELW #810

Post-Communion Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song *"Christ, Be Our Light"* ELW #715

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Readings for January 25th, 2026 will be from Galatians 1: 11-24 (NRSV), Acts 9: 1-22 (NRSV), Key Verse: Acts 9: 15-16 (NRSV)



We grieve with the family & friends that we have laid in the arms of the Lord in the last month.

Gary Scholand

Father of Chris (Kristen) Scholand

Grandfather to Jacob & Miles

Jerry Roth

Brother of James Roth

Dan Mangin

Husband of Verna

Father of Chad

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

Last Week

Month to date

Total Attend: 185

360

Care & Share Offerings for January 2026 go to the
Homeward Animal Shelter

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK of January 18th - January 25th, 2026

Today	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00am	Launch Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall
	11:00am	Contemporary Service with Holy Communion
Monday	Church Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day	
	6:30pm	Boy Scout Troup #213
	8:00pm	AA - Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	10:00am	Common Lectionary Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
	5:00pm	Church Council meeting
	6:00pm	Cub Scout Pack #232
	6:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	9:00am	Piecemakers
	11:00am	Staff Meeting
	7:00pm	Compass Confirmation
Thursday	7:00am	Kings Men @ Deaner's Dinner
	6:45pm	Dakota Vocal Union Practice
Sunday	Deadline for February Newsletter	
	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00am	Launch Sunday School
	11:00am	Cont. Worship with Holy Communion
	12:00pm	Annual Meeting of the Congregation Soup lunch will be served & a child game corner will be available

We are so happy you are with us today! If you are visitor, please stop by the Welcome Desk after worship & look for me. We have a gift for you.

Memory Café schedule for January 2026

Jan. 21st – Vinyl Listening & Party & Annual Bring & Brag, Hope Lutheran South

Jan. 28th – Moving Ahead: Life After Loss 9:30-11:30am; 1122 1st Ave N

Jan. 28th – Caregiver Café; 1:00-2:30pm; 1122 1st Ave N

Bethany Retirement Living Auxiliary are hosting one more "Soup of the Day". The final one will be on January 22nd from 11:00am to 1:00pm at Bethany on 42nd. There will be a Free-will offering taken & Eat In or To-Go meals will be available. The meal will include Soup, Bread, Dessert & Beverages. Proceeds will be used to enrich the lives of those who live at Bethany Retirement Living. All are Welcome!

The 2026 Recipients of the X-tra Blessings Tithe are the YWCA & the Furniture Mission of the Red River Valley. Thank you again for your tremendous generosity!

Faith Journey Lutheran Church's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 25th, 2026 following the 11am worship service. There will be a child game corner, & a soup lunch will be provided by a Thrivent Action Team. Freewill donations will be accepted. If you are interested in serving on your church council, please contact Katie in the office. We would love to have you join us!

Worship Assistants: 9:00am

Ushers: Sonia Sandvig Willie Schacher

Acolytes: Lydia Florhaug Nolan Florhaug

Reader: Eileen Lund

Communion Assistants: Judy Jabs Signe Nystuen

Greeters: Judy Jabs Sharon Schacher

Cantor: Jolanda Anderson

All are Welcome for a time of fellowship & study at the Revised Common Lectionary Bible Study. The study meets on Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall.

Hospitalized or needing a Pastoral Visit: If you or a family member has been hospitalized, please contact Pastor Sue.

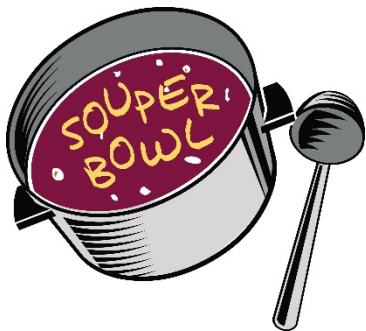
Prayer Concerns: If you or a family would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

Did you know...

...that Bethany Retirement offers unique dining opportunities for residents, families, volunteers AND THE PUBLIC? If you are looking for a unique dining alternative, the 42nd Street Diner at Bethany on 42nd or the University Café at Bethany on University might be just the answer. From omelets & hash browns to hot sandwiches, burgers, soups & salads, the 42nd Street Diner & the University Café have something for every palate. And...you can pre-order on the Bethany website at www.bethanynd.org. It couldn't be simpler & the food is great! Come join us!

Thank you for your continued support of West Fargo Eats, a food share alliance in Lutheran Church of the Cross. Prayerfully consider donating to West Fargo Eats or another food pantry in the area to help those experiencing food insecurity. If **you** are experiencing food insecurity, please don't hesitate to reach out for help at West Fargo Eats or another food pantry. Members of Faith Journey can talk to Pastor Sue. All communications will be kept private & confidential.

Join the Party! Souper Bowl Sunday is February 8th & a party is being planned! Gather with members & other 'football' enthusiasts downstairs right after the 11am worship for our annual Chili Cook-off. Prizes will be awarded to the best Chili & Dessert!! Stay to watch the big game (& commercials) on the big screen. For those who don't watch football, there will be board games, puzzles & movies. Bring your favorite appetizer to share during the game – you can use the kitchen to prepare them. Are



you one of Faith Journeys' biggest fans? Does this sound like fun? You can help! Contact Brenda Jo at 218.779.2095

Here is the
LAMB OF GOD
who takes away the sin
of the world!
John 1:29



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9am

WIFI Guest: Faith-Guest

Password: FaithJourney

Ministers: All members of Faith Journey Lutheran Church

Pastor: Sue Koesterman - skoesterman@growinfaith.org

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Contemporary Worship Coordinator: Jamie Thompson

Church Council President: Ali Farstad - Olson

Worship Sunday 9:00am Traditional (September – May)

11:00am Contemporary (September – May)

10:00am - Rotating Traditional & Contemporary May - August

Launch Family Sunday School for 4 years - Grade 5

Sunday, 10:00am - Fellowship Hall (During the school year)

Compass Confirmation for Grades 6 - 8

Wednesdays, 7:00pm - Worship Center (During the school year)

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