

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3rd, 2026
Order of Worship – 9:00am

Welcome

Ministry Highlights

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Gathering Song *“Making Their Way”* See Insert ACS #979

Greeting

Kyrie & Hymn of Praise *ELW Setting 3* ELW pg. 138

Prayer of the Day

First Reading John 14: 1-14 (NRSV)

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia - ELW Setting 3* ELW pg. 142

Gospel Reading 1 Peter 2: 2-10 (NRSV)

Sermon **“The What”, “The Why” & “The How”** **Pastor Sue**

Offering *“Now We Join in Celebration”* ELW #462

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Holy Communion: Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord!
“Lamb of God” ELW Setting 3 ELW pg. 146
“Built on a Rock” ELW #652
“Oh, Praise the Gracious Power” ELW #651

Post-Communion Prayer

Commissioning of Communion Deacons

Blessing

Sending Song *“The Church’s One Foundation”* ELW #654

Pastor: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Congregation: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Readings for May 10th, 2026 will be from 1 Peter 3:13-17 (NRSV), Acts 17:16-31 (NRSV) Key verse - Acts 17:21

May 7th is the National Day of Prayer. In these very troubling times in our country & in our world, it’s more important than ever that we remember that God is in control, & that we need to spend time in prayer with our family, friends & neighbors both here & abroad. We will be holding prayer services at Faith Journey Lutheran Church at 12noon & 6:30pm. All are invited & encouraged to attend!

We pray today for those who need healing in body, mind or spirit.
Especially, Mar, Jerry, Mary Jean, Eileen, Sam & Steve.



SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE
April 26th, 2026 – 156
April total – 1048
Care & Share Offerings for May 2026
go to Down Home

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK of May 3rd - May 10th, 2026

Today	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10am	Launch Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall
		Commissioning of Communion Deacons @ both services
Monday	11:00am	Cont. Worship with Holy Communion
	6:30pm	Boy Scout Troup #213
	7:00pm	AA - Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	10:00am	Lectionary Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Cub Scout Pack #232
	6:30pm	Choir
Wednesday	9:00am	Piecemakers
	9:00am	Staff Retreat – Off Site
	7:00pm	Compass in the Fellowship Hall
Thursday	NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER!	
	12noon	Prayer Service in the Worship Center
	1:00pm	Caring Ministry Team Meeting
	6:30pm	Prayer Service in the Worship Center
	6:30pm	GriefShare in a Sunday School Room Downstairs
	6:45pm	Dakota Vocal Union practice
Sunday	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00am	Launch SS in the Fellowship Hall
	11:00am	Cont. Worship with Holy Communion
	3:30pm	FM Gay Men’s Chorus Tech Rehearsal

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.

To date, we have raised **\$43,893.94 of the \$55,000** needed to cover the cost of the sign & the electrical expenses. All money given to the Facility Enhancement fund, will go to the sign. Any extra monies raised, will go to landscaping. More details to come.

The Fargo Moorhead Gay Men’s Chorus will be having their spring concert, “Stand Proud”, at Faith Journey on Saturday, May 16th at 4:00pm. Tickets are available for presale & at the door. After the performance, join the chorus in the Fellowship Hall for a Pasta Bar Dinner. A free will offering will help support the chorus.

Graduation Recognition for 2026 Seniors is May 17th. If you have a senior in your home, please contact Maren Kramer as soon as possible to have your student included. Check your email for more information.

Please join us for a Church Potluck & Power Hour on Sunday, May 17th at 12:15pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a favorite family or cultural dish to share. We will brainstorm activity, group & learning ideas for future monthly gatherings. Contact Maren Kramer for more info.

Beautiful quilts made by our Piecemakers will be available for purchase after the 11am service on May 17 & May 24. The suggested donation is \$45. All donations will go toward the sign fund. Additional items will be available for purchase at the Church Potluck & Power Hour on May 17 in honor of Syttende Mai. All donations will go toward the sign fund.

Worship Assistants: 9:00am

Ushers: Doris Rost Willie Schacher

Acolyte: Alexis Schultz Harlow Bergee

Reader: Tina Rued

Communion Assistants: Judy Jabs Tina Rued

Greeters: Katy Knutson

Cantor: Tom Whaley

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

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

GriefShare meets every week in a Sunday School Room at Faith Journey Lutheran Church. Here you will find a safe, comforting place where you can talk with others about your grief. You'll find support, direction, & guidance on how to make it through the loss of your loved one. All are invited & you can join at any time. Questions can be directed to Bonnie at 701.318.0949 or Phyllis at 701.239.6064.

Please join us at the Revised Common Lectionary Bible Study on Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All are Welcome!

The End-of-the-Year Celebration for Compass & Launch Families will be at Thunder Road on Tuesday, May 19 from 6 – 8pm. RSVP to Maren Kramer by Sunday, May 10th with the number of people in your family attending.

Our Summer Worship schedule begins May 24. We will have one worship service on Sundays at 10:00am, and beginning May 27, there will be Wednesday evening services with Holy Communion at 6:30pm

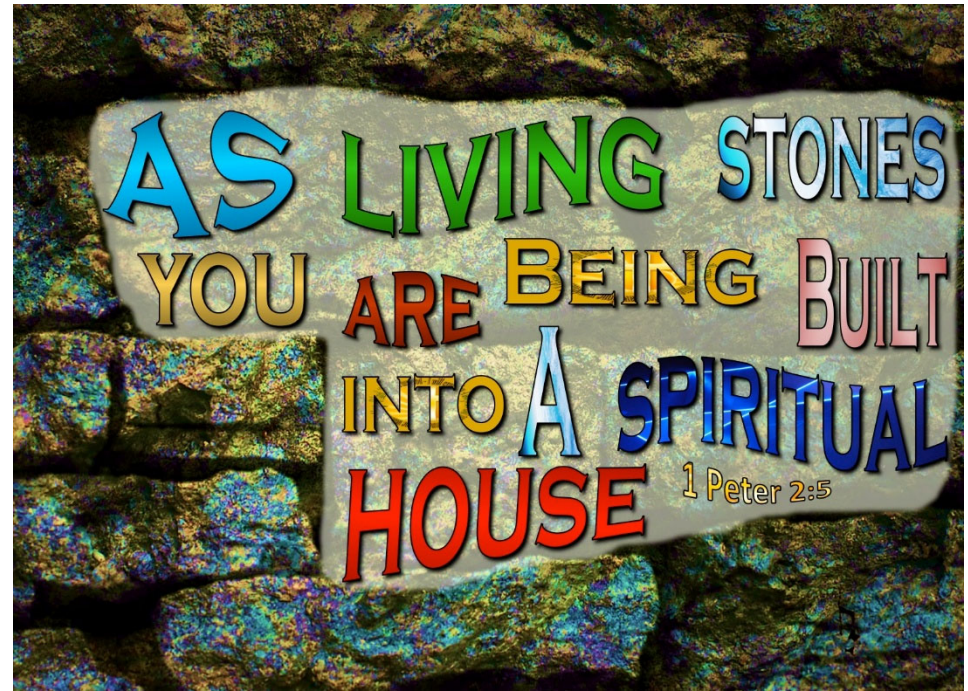
Vacation Bible School is July 13-16 for youth K – 5th grade. The theme for the week will be "Wear Love" from Colossians 3: 12. It will be free with lunch included thanks to the Faith Foundation. Red Willow Bible Camp Staff, along with volunteers from Faith Journey, will be leading. **Volunteers are needed.** Contact Maren Kramer for information on how you can help. Registration can be done on the church website or by calling the church office. **Faith is for a lifetime! Please plan to join us!**

Check out the Lost & Found tables in the Narthex for anything that might belong to you. The tables will be out through Wednesday, May 13. All items remaining after that date will be donated.

Our Church Directory is available to view on your computer! Instant Church Directory - the program we use to build our church directory – has a member website. Go to <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/> You will be asked to enter your email address as it's listed in our directory. If your email address isn't listed in the directory, let Brenda Jo or Katie know so it can be added. Once you enter your email address, follow the directions on-screen to complete the create log-in process. After you sign in, you'll see the most up-to-date directory for our church. Any time updates are made, they will show on the Online Members' Website, too. For more information about the members' website, go here: <https://help.instantchurchdirectory.com/article/638-navigating-the-online-member-directory>

Be sure to register your child/ren for Bible Camp at Red Willow! There are many options available for all ages. Scholarships are graciously provided by our Faith Foundation & the Rachel CT Camp Fund to keep cost of camp at \$100. More assistance is available if needed (given confidentially) The experience will provide Faith, Friendships, Community, Adventure, Fun & Create Life-changing Memories!

WE WANT EVERY CHILD TO GO TO CAMP!



Faith Journey Lutheran Church
Sunday May 3rd, 2026

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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

Parish Business Manager: Katie Berg - kberg@growinfaith.org

Faith Formation Director: Maren Kramer - mkramer@growinfaith.org

Executive Asst. for Finance & HR: Heather Reimer - hreimer@growinfaith.org

Creative Worship Coordinator: Jane Whaley - jwhaley@growinfaith.org

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 24 – Sept. 13)

6:30pm – Wednesdays (May 27 – Sept. 9)

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)

Find us on our Website: www.growinfaith.org

Instagram: [faithjourneyWF](https://www.instagram.com/faithjourneyWF)

Facebook: [faithjourneyWF](https://www.facebook.com/faithjourneyWF)

Send bulletin and newsletter information to:

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Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday
Friday

9:00 – 4:00pm
9:00 – 12noon