

Tenth Wednesday of Pentecost

July 29th, 2026

Order of Worship – 6:30pm

Welcome
Ministry Highlights
Greeting
Opening Song “O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts” ELW #658
Prayer of the Day
Scripture Reading Isaiah 55: 1-5 (NRSV)
Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia” from ELCA Setting 8 ELW pg. 188
Gospel Reading Matthew 14: 13-21 (NRSV)
Sermon “Feeding Others” **Ginny Jesser**
Hymn of the Day “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” ELW #484
Offertory Prayer
Prayers of the People
Holy Communion: Heaven has come near: Come, share in the feast!
(Offering Collected during Communion)
 “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” ELW #461
Post-Communion Prayer
Blessing
Sending Song “Praise and Thanksgiving” ELW #689
Pastor: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Congregation: Thanks be to God.
 Readings for August 5th & August 9th will be from 1 Kings 19: 9-18 (NRSV) & Matthew 14: 22-33 (NRSV)
We pray today for those who need healing in body, mind or spirit.
Especially Gloria, Marilyn, Sandy, Cheryl, Hudson, Shanda, Terry, Roger, Joan, Sue, Barb, Tyrell, Jerry, the family of Lori Holte, all those impacted by the current Ebola epidemic in Africa, and all affected by the current food borne parasite epidemic. Give to each and all whatever you see they need.
Reader & Communion Assistant tonight: Judy Jabs
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.



SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE
 July 22nd – 12 July 26th – 124
 July Total Attendance: 403
 Care & Share Offerings for June/July 2026
 will go to the Furniture Mission

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK of July 29th – August 2nd, 2026

Today	6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Thu	11:00am	Faith & Conviction Meeting
	6:45pm	Dakota Vocal Union practice
Sun	10:00am	Worship with Holy Communion
Mon	4:00pm	Faith Foundation Meeting
	6:30pm	Boy Scout Troop #213
	7:00pm	AA – Fellowship Hall
Tue	10:00am	Lectionary Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
Wed	9:00am	Staff Meeting
	6:30pm	Worship with Holy Communion

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.

Pastor Sue will be attending a Pastors Conference in New Mexico from August 2 – August 13. Ginny Jesser will preach the Sundays & Wednesdays she will be gone & will also be available in case of an emergency.

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>

West Fargo Eats is a food share alliance located in Lutheran Church of the Cross. The donation box is located on the upper landing near the elevator. Thank you for your continued support of West Fargo Eats or other food pantries 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.

The Caring Ministry Team is planning a CPR course this fall, including hands-on training in CPR & AED use. The date & time are still to be determined. If you need to renew your certification or become certified for the first time, this is a great opportunity. A minimal fee will apply. Watch for more information in the coming weeks!

All are Welcome to join us at the Revised Common Lectionary Bible Study on Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Maren Kramer will facilitate the discussion on August 4 & 11 while Pastor Sue is away.

Planning an Event?

Contact Katie in the church office to secure the date & to receive the form needed to reserve the space. Needed on the form will be the contact person, date/s, times, est. number of participants & any other pertinent information. All activities MUST be scheduled through Katie to guarantee your time, date & the space requested. Thank you! **space not guaranteed without the necessary information & form

We are moving full speed ahead with the Faith Journey Lutheran Church App! Both Google Android and Apple Developers have officially approved the app, which is a MAJOR milestone in the process. What does that exactly mean... it means our next steps will be building and customizing it to best fit our needs. Over the next few weeks, I will be working closely with Subsplash to fine-tune all the details and get everything set up. While there is still a lot of work to be done behind the scenes, we are making progress and are super excited about what this new tool will offer our Faith Journey Family. Please keep an eye out for important updates and information about the next steps. I will keep you posted by email, newsletter, in the bulletin, and newsletter. Thank you for your patience as we step into the future of Faith Journey.

God's Peace, Katie Berg

Take a moment after worship to check out our new church sign! To ensure the sign was installed this summer, the church council voted to release money from the general fund to cover the remaining cost. To date, we have raised 87% of the \$55,000 needed, which leaves us with \$6996 left to raise. Your continued donations to the Facility Enhancement Fund will help replenish the general fund. Thank you so much for helping us realize this goal!



**“THEY DO NOT NEED TO
GO AWAY,” JESUS
REPLIED. “YOU GIVE THEM
SOMETHING TO EAT.”
- MATTHEW 14:16**

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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 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

9:00 – 4:00pm

Friday

9:00 – 12noon