

Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost

August 30, 2026

Order of Worship – 10:00am

Gathering Songs “Reckless Love”
“Take My Life (Holiness)”

Welcome

Ministry Highlights

Greeting

Opening Song “Goodness of God”

Prayer of the Day

Scripture Reading Romans 12: 9-21 (MSG)

Gospel Acclamation “Take My Life”

Gospel Reading Matthew 16: 21-28 (MSG)

Sermon **Taste Life** **Pastor Sue**

Hymn of the Day “In Christ Alone (My Hope Is Found)”
(Offering Collected during Hymn of the Day)

Offertory Prayer

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the People

Holy Communion: Heaven has come near: Come, share in the feast!
“Put On Love”

Post-Communion Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song “My God Reigns”

Pastor: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Readings for September 6th, 2026 will be from Romans 13: 8-14 (NRSV) & Matthew 18: 15-20 (NRSV) Key Verse: Matthew 18:15

We pray today for those who need healing in body, mind or spirit. Especially Joe, Sandy, Eileen, Terry, Darrell, Jeannine, Corrin, Lana, Gary, Pat, Barb, Marilyn, Larry, Christine, Trent, the families of Ann Chase, Ruth Borseth, .Phil Brociek & Tyrell Fauske. Give to each and all whatever you see they need.

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

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

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK of August 30th – September 6th, 2026

Sun	10:00am	Worship with Holy Communion
Mon	6:30pm	Boy Scout Troop #213
	7:00pm	AA – Fellowship Hall
	7:00pm	Altar Guild Team Meeting
Tue	10:00am	Lectionary Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Cub Scout Pack #232
Wed	9:00am	Staff Meeting
	9:00am	Piecemakers
	5:30pm	Faith Formation Meeting
	5:30pm	West Fest Parade Team Meeting
Thu	11:00am	Faith & Conviction Meeting
	6:00pm	Arts & Environment Team Planning Meeting
	6:30pm	GriefShare
	6:45pm	Dakota Vocal Union practice
Sat	9:30am	More than Manna
Sun	10:00am	Worship with Holy Communion – Commissioning of Communion Deacons
Mon	All Day	Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day

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.

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

Join the fun in planning, decorating & riding or walking with our West Fest Church Float! Please come to our continued planning & informational meeting TODAY & next Sunday following the service.

A New Women’s Bible Study will begin on Thursday, September 17th. This study will meet at 7:00am on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Deane’s Diner.

Pastor Sue was invited to be the North Dakota faith Community Representative at the One.org Power Summit in Washington DC. She will be leaving for the Summit immediately after Rally Sunday worship on Sept. 13th & will return on Wednesday, Sept. 16th.

We have raised the funds needed for our church sign! Thank you for your financial support & patience. Be sure to check out the sign as you leave worship today!

Funds collected through the Noisy Offering through September 6th will go to the Spokane Fires through Lutheran Disaster Relief.

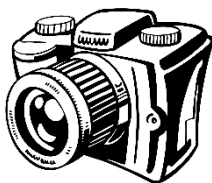
All are welcome to join our church choir! Practice will begin on Tuesday, September 15th at 6:30pm. Hope to see you!



SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE
August 19th – 12 August 23rd – 110
August Total Attendance to date: 455
Care & Share Offerings for August 2026
will go to the Coalition for Homeless Persons

Worship Assistants:**Reader:** Tina Rued**Ushers:** Curt Cossette Shanda Cossette**Greeter:** Keven Kercher**Communion Assistants:** Tina Rued Theresa Johnson Cathy Meyer**Looking to get more involved with your Faith Journey Lutheran Church Family?**

There are many opportunities to volunteer including, serving on the church council, joining one of the many teams, ushering, greeting, reading or serving communion. If you would like more information on the many ways you can help, please talk to Jane Whaley or call the church office.



Have you taken your picture for the photo directory? If not, there will be someone taking pictures on Rally Sunday, September 13 after the 10am service. We'd love to see everyone's picture in the directory.

Our World Vision sponsored student, Veronica Samson & her Buhoma community have grown beyond the need of sponsorship! We have sponsored Veroncia since 2013 & we wish her, her family & her community well! We now have a new student to sponsor. Our new student is Filmawit. She is 13 & lives in Ethiopia. Filmawit loves to jump rope & her favorite subject is math. We look forward to getting a letter to learn more about her really soon!

Our community impact team is collecting food for the West Fargo Public Schools food pantries. We will focus on the north side schools with this drive, with emphasis on snacks foods that are easy to make. It will end on Sept. 13th (Rally Sunday). Thank you in advance for helping out the families in West Fargo! Items might include: Mac & Cheese, Beef Jerky or Slim Jim's, Pasta & Pasta Sauce, Cereal, Canned Chicken or Tuna, Goldfish or Animal Crackers, Applesauce, Granola Bars, Fruit Snacks, Pudding, Ramen, Spaghettios, Peanut Butter, Cheez-Its, Any cracker snack, Fruit Cups, Hamburger or Tuna Helper.

Fall Programming is beginning very soon & there are many activities available for All Ages! Please see the September Newsletter for a complete list. Parents: you can register your child/ren by scanning the QR code on the back of the pew. The Newsletter is posted on the church website www.growinfaith.org or you can get a hard copy on the information desk. If you would like a copy mailed to you or to a family member, please contact the church office.

We will be offering a two-hour program on " Loss of a Spouse":

GriefShare: "Loss of a Spouse": The death of a spouse brings a unique kind of pain. People who are widowed haven't just lost a loved one—they've lost an entire lifestyle. Faith Journey Lutheran Church in West Fargo is offering " Loss of a Spouse", a 2-hour, stand-alone GriefShare seminar ministry to support grieving spouses. The seminar will be on Thursday, September 3rd at 6:30pm downstairs in a classroom. For more information or to register, please contact Pastor Sue @ 701-282-3309, Phyllis 701-239-6064 or Bonnie @701-318-0949.



THEN JESUS TOLD HIS DISCIPLES

IF ANYONE

WOULD COME AFTER ME

LET HIM

DENY HIMSELF AND TAKE UP

HIS CROSS

AND

FOLLOW ME

MATTHEW 16:24

Faith Journey Lutheran Church
Sunday, August 30th, 2026

Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost
10:00am

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 - mramer@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.orgInstagram: [faithjourneyWF](https://www.instagram.com/faithjourneyWF)Facebook: [faithjourneyWF](https://www.facebook.com/faithjourneyWF)

Send bulletin and newsletter information to:

Jolanda Anderson

jolandaanderson@gmail.com

Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday
 Friday

9:00 – 4:00pm
 9:00 – 12noon