

Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost

September 20th, 2026

Order of Worship – 9:00am

Welcome

Ministry Highlights

Confession & Forgiveness

Opening Song “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” ELW #733

Greeting

Kyrie & Hymn of Praise ELW Setting 6 ELW pg. 165

Prayer of the Day

Scripture Reading Jonah 3: 10-4:11 (NRSV)

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia - ELW Setting 6 ELW pg. 171

Gospel Reading Matthew 20: 1-16 (NRSV)

Sermon Grumbling at Grace Pastor Sue

Hymn of the Day “Great God, Your Love Has Called Us” ELW #358
(Offering will be collected during the Hymn of the day)

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Holy Communion: Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord!
“Lamb of God” ELW Setting 6 ELW pg. 174
“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” ELW #611
“Faith Begins by Letting Go” ACS #1004

Post-Communion Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” ELW #631

Pastor: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Readings for September 27th, 2026 will be from Philippians 2: 1-9 (NRSV), & Matthew 21: 23-32 (NRSV) Key Verse: Matthew 21: 31a

We pray today for those who need healing in body, mind or spirit.

Especially, Joe, Eileen, Mavis, Darrell, Paul, Corrin, Lucas, Marilyn, Larry, Christine, Beverly, & Diane.

Today at the 11am service we celebrate with the families of:

Lenora Elise Coenen, daughter of Jackson Coenen and Evelyn Wrenson
Lenora's sponsors are Rudy Beckman and Jacob Lewandowski

William Finn LeBlanc and Nelson Everest LeBlanc (twin boys), sons of
Jeremy LeBlanc and Emerald Weisz

William's sponsor is Kelly Sater and Nelson's sponsor is Autumn Hurley

Amelio Matias Dominguez, son of Matias and Melanic Dominguez

Amelio's sponsors are Elliot Cameron, Coty Geske, and Nicole Koppelman

Welcome to all of you and to Faith Journey Lutheran Church!

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK of September 20th – September 27th, 2026

Today	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00am	Family Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall
	11:00am	Cont. Worship with Holy Communion with Holy Baptism
	12:00pm	Fellowship Hall reserved for a private event
Mon	5:30pm	Council Meeting
	6:30pm	Boy Scout Troop #213
	7:00pm	AA - Fellowship Hall
Tue	10:00am	Lectionary Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Cub Scout Pack #232
	6:30pm	Choir in the Worship Center
Wed	9:00am	Piecemakers
	9:00am	Staff Meeting
	6:00pm	Confirmation Meal
	7:00pm	First Day of Confirmation
Thu	7:00am	Kings Men at Deaner's Diner
	6:30pm	GriefShare
	6:45pm	Dakota Vocal Union practice
Fri	All day	Deadline for the October Newsletter
	5:30pm	Youth leave for Synod Gathering - Cast Away Club in DL
Sat	All day	Youth at Synod Gathering -t Cast Away Club in DL
Sun	9:00am	Trad. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00am	Family Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall
	11:00am	Cont. Worship with Holy Communion & Holy Baptism
		Youth return from Synod Event in DL

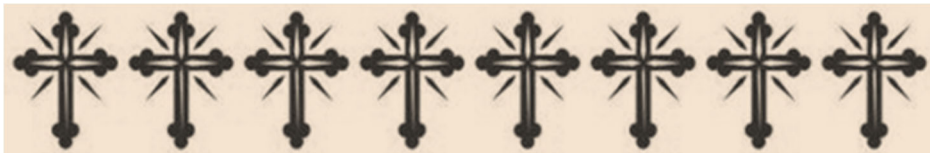
We are so happy you are with us today! If you are visitor, please stop by the Welcome Desk after worship & look for me. We have a gift for you.

Thank you so much for the amazing food pantry snack donations to the community impact fund for schools! We were able to deliver all the food to the schools this past week! We received a big amount of gratitude from all the social workers.

Our community impact team is collaborating with Global Refuge to get new winter coats for new immigrants and refugees. We will start the collection on Sunday, September 27th and run it through Sunday, October 11th. Global Refuge is asking for new winter coats from size 2T to Adult XXL. They are also in need of hats, gloves, and scarves. If you cannot contribute a winter item but would like to donate funds, you can do so by using the QR code on the poster in the narthex. Thank you all for your consideration.

Today we pray for the families & friends that have recently lost loved ones. The funeral service for Lloyd Iverson, Jane Whaley's father, was held on Saturday, September 12th, and a private funeral was held for Terry Potter on Thursday, September 17th. Both services were held at Faith Journey Lutheran Church. We also pray for the family & friends of Melanie Zick (Betty Potter's sister-in-law). Please keep all of them in your thoughts & prayers.

We are launching a new Women's Bible Study. This study will meet at 7:00am on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Deaner's Diner. Hope to see you on Oct. 15th!



Worship Assistants: 9:00am

Ushers: Jolanda Anderson Bev Fuss

Reader: Dan Knudsvig

Communion Assistants: Marlene Batterberry Sarah Vigstol

Greeters: Marlene Batterberry

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.

It hurts to lose someone.

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. We want to help you on your journey toward recovery. Our new GriefShare sessions will begin Thursday, September 10th at 6:30 PM downstairs in a classroom at Faith Journey Lutheran church. [127 2nd Ave E](#) in West Fargo, ND. Please call Pastor Sue @ [701-282-3309](tel:701-282-3309), Phyllis [701-239-6064](tel:701-239-6064), Bonnie @ [701-318-0949](tel:701-318-0949) for more information.

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

Register for Confirmation Program for students in Grades 6th – 8th! The Program is free, but registration is necessary. The first class will be on Wednesday, Sept. 23 with a meal being served at 6pm. Class will begin at 7pm. Contact Maren Kramer with questions. The QR code for registration for both Confirmation & Sunday School are posted on the pews.

Register for our FREE Family Sunday School Program with kids aged 4 yrs. – 5th Grade & Adults! We begin TODAY at 10am in the Fellowship Hall.

Registration with down payments for the 8th – 12th grade National Lutheran Youth Gathering will close on September 27th, 2026.

Funds collected through the Noisy Offering through the end of December will go to support God's Global Barnyard, a program through ELCA World Hunger, that assists families in the developing world build self-sufficiency through livestock, chickens, bees, fish & other food producing resources. Thank you for your continued support.



SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

September 13, 2026 – 106

September MTD – 204

**Care & Share Offerings for September 2026
go to Fraser LTD**

**DO I NOT HAVE THE RIGHT
TO DO AS I PLEASE WITH
WHAT IS MINE? OR ARE
YOU ENVIOUS BECAUSE I
AM GENEROUS?'**
– MATTHEW 20:15

**Faith Journey Lutheran Church
Sunday September 20th, 2026**

**Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost
9am**

WIFI Guest: Faith-Guest

Password: FaithJourney

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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

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

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Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday
Friday

9:00 – 4:00pm
9:00 – 12noon