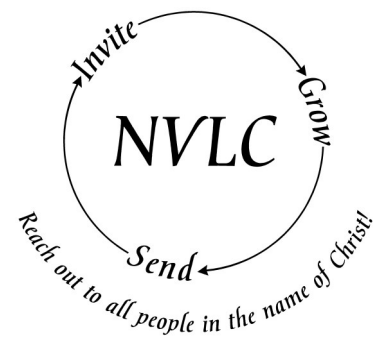


North Valley Lutheran Church
Member of First Faith Valley Lutheran Parish

1988 220th Avenue
Centuria WI 54824
715-825-3559
office@nvlch.org
www.nvlch.org



Worship Schedule

8:00am Worship All Sundays in November at North Valley.

Video Messages can be found on our Facebook page

Offerings can be mailed to the office or given online at nvlch.org.
You can also set up giving through your banks automatic bill pay.

Staff

Church Email: office@nvlch.org

Admin. Asst.: Laurene Edge
9:00am-4:00pm Mondays

Please notify the church office if you have a new address or phone number changes.

Newsletter articles are due the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Bulletin announcements are due Tuesdays before 11:00am.

Pastoral Support: Pastor Tamra Harder 715-501-3681



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First Faith Valley Lutheran Parish Corner
November, 2024

"United in Christ to strengthen our Ministries to adapt, grow and serve"

“From Worry to Wonder”

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

From Jesus’s “Sermon on the Mount” **Matthew 6:34** *New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition*
³⁴ “**So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.**”

As we are in the last weeks of the Season of Pentecost “Green and Growing” and process for Calling a new Pastor for our Parish. Brother Paul reminds us in his letters to the Church that “**God is Calling**”

As we are on this journey as Congregations and a Parish to Call a new Pastor, we each need to listen to the Lord as to what are our Gifts of the Spirit and the Fruits of the Spirit in the Life of our Congregations and Parish. The following scriptures remind us of those.

Spiritual Gifts - 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 NRSV

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

The Fruit of the Spirit - Galatians 5:22-26 NRSV

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

We need to ask ourselves; **What am I being CALLED to DO as part of this Journey and beyond?** As Paul states in 1 Corinthians chapter 12 we are **ALL** to work together in telling the World about God’s Love towards **ALL** people through his son Jesus not just the pastor. As God calls us “From Worry to Wonder”.

Parish Council Items-

Confirmation – We have again joined with Luck Lutheran for our Confirmation Program. We have 4 students. Pastor Mary Ann Bowman is leading Confirmation again this year. She has 2 Mission/Field Trips planned for this year THANK YOU Pastor Mary Ann!!

Our Pastor Team - This past year has been Pastors Dave and Peter have been bringing the message each week and Pastor Tamra has been our Visitation Pastor calling on people as needed and helping member through Life events.

Thank you Pastors!!

However, Pastor Dave has informed the Parish Council that his last Sunday with us will be December 29, 2024 due to health reasons. The Parish Council accepted his resignation with regrets but many THANKS for his time with us.

I am working with the Synod not only to find a Pastor to call but to fill Pastor Dave’s spot on our Bridge Pastor Team in the meantime. Pastor Tamra will be filling in from time to time as well until we fill Pastor Dave’s spot.

We are doing well financially, meeting payroll and other expenses.

Staff & Church Council

Pastoral Support	Tamra Harder
Admin. Asst.	Laurene Edge
Accompanist	Carol Medchill
Parish Nurse	Suzanne Grill
Custodian	Kristie Kuenkel
President	Kristie Wagner
Vice President	Charlie Christen-
Secretary	Bette Tooley
Treasurer	Tom Tellijohn
Other Council Members	Jan Kruse Myron Olson Joey Nelson Don Prose
W/ELCA Reps.	Myrna Anderson Donna Berg Suzanne Grill Tricia Olson Marilyn Nehring
Youth Rep.	

The Parish Worship Schedule

So, for November and December it is **8am North Valley, 9:30am Faith** and **11am First**.

The **last Sunday of the month will be a Parish Worship at 9:30 at Faith**, November 24th Christ the King Sunday and December 29th New Year's Eve.

Advent - Christmas Worship:

A Parish Advent Service will be held with Bishop Martin Halom, Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at Faith. Fellowship meal begins at 5pm; Service at 6:30pm. Faith – Main Dish; North Valley – Salads; First – Desserts

Bishop Halom had submitted 3 potential themes: Community in Christ; Christ, be our light; Hanging on to hope.

We chose "Hanging on to Hope" The Parish choir will sing, maybe the Bishop will play his trumpet?!

We will have communion

Christmas Eve Worship times with Lay Lead Julie Dunn: 4pm North Valley; 5:30 Faith; 7pm First.

There will be no service on Christmas Day, Wednesday December 25.

Remember the Newsletter Calendar is your friend. Please consider Worshiping with one of the other Churches if the time for your home Church does not work for you on a particular Sunday.

As we continue on our present **Journey** as members of the First Faith Valley Lutheran Parish with Pastors Peter, Tamra, Dave to look at how we will need to change as we look how we have done Ministry and how we will do Ministry going forward. We each as a **Child of God** need to live **The Way** we should go in our own life as well as the life of our Congregation. We need to ask ourselves, **Am I/are We** walking daily as **Children of God** Listening to/for His **Call**(Romans 8:16-17)? What am I being **called** to do as a **Child of God** to do as part of this **Journey** and beyond? **We are ALL** to work together ("**God's Work-Our Hands**") in telling the World about God's Love and showing God's Promised Blessings towards all people through his son Jesus.

The Altar Paraments

The color is still Green for **Growing**.

Sunday November 3rd is All Saint Sunday the Altar Paraments are White as we remember those who have gone before us to his Eternal Kingdom.

But the Season of **Advent** fast approaches (Sunday December 1st) the Altar Paraments change from Green (Pentecost) to Blue as we prepare to celebrate Jesus's first coming as a baby born in a cold, drafty, smelly stable and laid in a manger (we do not have it so bad, do we?). As we continue to work together as Congregations and a Parish with looking to **Build/Grow New** relationships with our fellow workers for God's Kingdom as well as **Refreshing** our current relationships with each other.

Listen for that **"Still Small Voice"** in the rushing wind.

2025 Parish Annual Meeting Date January 26, 2025 following Parish worship at North Valley

Parish Council meeting Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 6:30 pm at North Valley – Organizational

If you are in need of Pastoral support feel free to contact Pastor Tamra Harder, 715-501-3681
For other matters call the Church Office 715-648-5323
You can also contact me as well 715-483-3715(H) 715-557-0382(C)

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Yours in Our Eternal **Light** and **Hope**, Jesus Christ, Steve Jensen

November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8:00 North Valley 9:30 Faith 11:00 First BP Checks after church Pastor Dave Natzke Communion 9:30 Sunday School Time Change	4 Office hrs 9-4 10am Bible Class @ NV with Pastor Dave	5 	6 1pm Choir Practice 6p-7p Confirmation at Luck Lutheran	7	8	9
10 8:00 North Valley 9:30 Faith 11:00 First Pastor Peter Thankoffering Service & Veteran Recognition 9:30 Sunday School	11 Office hrs 9-4	12	13 9:30 Worship Comm 1pm Choir Practice 6p-7p Confirmation at Luck Lutheran	14	15	16 10-2 Craft and Bake Sale NV
17 9:30 Faith 8:00 North Valley 11:00 First Pastor Dave Communion 9:30 Sunday School	18 10am Bible Class @ NV with Pastor Dave Newsletter deadline 6:30 Council Mtg	19	20 1pm Choir Practice 6p-7p Confirmation at Luck Lutheran	21	22	23
24 9:30 Faith Combined service Pastor Peter ----- 9:30 Sunday School	25 Office hrs 9-4	26	27 1pm Choir Practice NO CONFIRMATION	28 	29 9:00 Decorate Church for Christmas	30

BIRTHDAYS

Paige Miller	11/01/2001
Oaklynn Olson	11/04/2017
Isaiah Morales	11/05/2009
Kyle Kletschka	11/06/1993
Carole Gallatin	11/07/1986
Amanda Wagner	11/10/1984
Brexlie Kletschka	11/11/2015
Eli Baerg	11/13/1998
Amelia McKinney	11/16/1989
Laif Bever	11/17/2002
Hannah Wagner	11/18/1997
Cheri Chappellear	11/21/1952
Karen Peper,	11/24/1964
Brady Olien,	11/26/2002
Tim Erickson,	11/27/1973

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Lyle & Bev Hopkins	11/06/1965
Nate & Randi Fisk	11/08/2014
Randall & Glenda Krueger	11/12/1965

Set your clocks back an hour before going to bed on Saturday night November 2nd!



BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY

Doug Bengtson	11/03/1996
Sadie Bengtson	11/03/1996
Brady Heilig	11/03/2013
Corbin Kruse	11/06/2016
Myrna Anderson	11/06/1955
Jessica Jaskolka	11/07/1993
Wyatt Kuenkel	11/07/1999
Henry Christensen	11/09/2019
Scarlett Christensen	11/09/2019
Kyler Woltz	11/13/2011
Austin Erickson	11/14/1999
Caleb Larson	11/15/2009
Isaiah Morales	11/15/2009
Suzanne Grill	11/17/1946
Lyle Hopkins	11/18/1946
Brexlie Kletschka	11/22/2015
Nash Kletschka	11/22/2015

OUR FINANCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 2024

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 7,718.16
CREDITS THIS MONTH	\$ 11,129.75
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	\$ 18,847.91
DEBITS THIS MONTH	\$ (6,670.82)
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 12,177.09

To provide a broader picture of church finances, we are now reporting monthly beginning and ending balances .



Marilyn Nehring, Jim Dishon (Suzanne Grill's son), Kevin Jensen (Heidi Simmerman's brother), Carol Medchill, Linda Goulet

Continued Healing: Sharon Johnson, Matt Kludt, Amelia McKinney

Send words of encouragement:

Nursing Home/Assisted Living: Dana Tellijohn, Grace Odberg, Athelene Simon

Homebound: —, Delores Anderson, Charles & Cari Mayo

Carol Bengtson, Mary Lundquist, Elverna Blomgren

Condolences to the family of Rowan Anderson

Prayer Chain



Donna Berg	715-553-2038
Myrna Anderson	715-554-7049
Gwen Morrissette	715-781-3047
Anita Johnson	715-554-3785
Suzanne Grill	612-598-8197
Bette Tooley	701-436-6010
Joey Nelson	715 553-0262

If you have any prayer requests, please contact anyone on the list, giving them as little or as much information as you wish. All info will be treated with respect and kept confidential.

“God’s Unshakable Kingdom” - The theme for November

As the events of the world around us **shake** our confidence in our government as well as the other governments across the globe and natural disasters have us asking, “Where is God in all of this”? Yes, it **shakes** our Faith.

As the First Faith Valley Lutheran Parish looking to call a new Pastor, we have been and will be little **shaken** at times with the pace at which things will be going. Remembering that for 150+ years at First, 140+ years at North Valley and 75+ years at Faith through it all God has been there and continues to be with us and for us. We have had Pastor Peter, Pastor Tamra and Pastor Dave with us and our Parish guiding and urging us to look beyond our four walls and parking lots as well as how we personally share our Faith with others. We need to remind ourselves moment by moment, hour by hour, day by day, week by week, month by month and year by year that God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son and God the Holy Spirit, the great Three in One are the foundation of “**God’s Unshakeable Kingdom**”.

Psalm 9:7-8 NRSV

But the LORD sits enthroned forever, he has established his throne for judgment. ⁸He judges the world with righteousness; he judges the peoples with equity.

Daniel 2:44 NRSV

And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall this kingdom be left to another people. It shall crush all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever;

Revelation 17:14 NRSV

they will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful.”

John 18:36 NRSV

³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.”

Colossians 1:13 NRSV

He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,

John 14:2-3 NRSV

In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

We are members and inheritors of “**God’s Unshakable Kingdom**”.

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Yours in Our Eternal **Light** and **Hope**, Jesus Christ, Steve Jensen



Sunday School Important Dates

SAT OCT 19th 12-2pm	TRUNK OR TREAT
SUN OCT 20th 9:30am	SUNDAY SCHOOL HAYRIDE
SAT NOV 16th	CRAFT & BAKE SALE -Class makes premade tins to sell. Funds will go to sponsor a family for Christmas.
SUN DEC 15th	SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

North Valley
Lutheran Church

Craft and Bake Sale

Saturday Nov 16th
10am - 2pm

Location: NVLC
1988 220th Ave Centuria,
WI 54824

Vendors wanted. If interested, please contact
Anita Johnson
715-554-3785

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS EVERY SUNDAY AND ALWAYS AT 9:30.
Children of all ages are welcome!

MISSION AND SOCIAL ACTION – NOVEMBER 2024

The missionaries we are now sponsoring are Patrick and Jacqueline Bencke in Japan. The cost is \$20 per Sunday. See sign-up sheet. Please be sure to label your donation as a "missionary gift" which may be left in the offering plate. Thank you for your consideration of sponsoring our missionary in Japan.

OCTOBER

- 10-06 – Chuck & Jan Kruse
- 10-13 – Chuck & Jan Kruse
- 10-20 – Chuck & Jan Kruse
- 10-27 – Chuck & Jan Kruse

NOVEMBER—None

Mission and Social Action



FROM OUR PARISH NURSE

WALK FARTHER, FASTER AND PAIN-FREE

STOP THE WADDLE
Hip pain can make walking so uncomfortable that we start to alter our gait by waddling. To build strength and flexibility in the hips, try this.

1. Stand with a sturdy chair at your right. Rest your right hand on the chair for support.
2. Face forward and make sure your toes are pointed forward as well.
3. Shift your weight onto your right foot. Make sure you're steady and balanced.
4. Slowly lift your left leg out to the side as far as you can, hold a moment, and return.
5. Perform 10 lifts, then move to the other side of the chair and repeat with your right leg.

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