

## This Week at Epworth

### World Communion Sunday, Oct. 2

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Bazaar Set-up begins
- 1:30 p.m. North Valley 4-H
- 2:30 p.m. Out of the Darkness  
Valley City Walk

### Monday, October 3

- 7:00 p.m. Valley Troubadours

### Tuesday, October 4

- 9:00 a.m. BC Ministerial
- 1:30 p.m. Sermon Text Study
- 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts

### Wednesday, October 5

- 7:00 p.m. Youth
- 7:00 p.m. Choir

### Thursday, October 6

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. No Cub Scouts

### Friday, October 7

- Bazaar & Luncheon Prep

### Saturday, October 8

- 10:30 a.m. UWF Bazaar
- 11:00 a.m. Soup & Sandwich  
Luncheon

### Sunday, October 9

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Flu Shot Clinic
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Worship

*17th Sunday after Pentecost*

October 2, 2022

10:30 am Worship



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## Previous Sundays—

*Faith and Love over Fear*

*In What do We Place  
Ultimate Faith?*

*Blessed to be a Blessing*

## Sermon Series

**Today—*Fanning the  
Flames of Authentic  
Faith***

—by Rev. Duane Coates

### Next Sunday—

Oct 9— Rev. Duane  
Coates

### Our Mission

To make disciples  
of Jesus Christ for the  
transformation of the world.

### Our Vision

Living, sharing and growing  
in God's love by bringing the  
world to Christ and Christ to  
the world through open  
hearts, open minds, and  
open doors.

### Our Strategy

Radical Hospitality  
Spiritual Growth  
Signature Ministries  
Collaborative Leadership

## Sunday Worship

**10:30 a.m.**

—Traditional/Praise Team

*Where + is indicated, standing or sitting, we praise God.  
You are invited to read aloud the **bold text**.  
Large print hymnals are available upon request to an usher  
On the screen—Leader=white text, People=yellow text*

## The Church Gathers to Worship

### +Call to Worship—

Leader: We gather today recalling the faith of our ancestors.

**All: Thank you, God, for the parents, grandparents and others  
who raised us with a spirit of courage, not fear.**

Leader: We gather today around a family table  
as wide and long as God's love for us.

**All: Thank you, God, for connecting us with Christians  
around the world on this World Communion Sunday.**

Leader: We gather today, asking for the Holy One  
to rekindle the gifts that are within us.

**All: Thank you, God, for surrounding us with your grace, mercy, and  
peace. Amen.**

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### +Opening Song—No. 578, *God of Love and God of Power*

## The Church Lifts Prayers to God

### Prayer of Confession in Unison

Merciful God,

**We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not done your will, we have broken your law,  
we have rebelled against your love,  
we have not loved our neighbors,  
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Free us for joyful obedience,**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Word and Table: Service 1, The United Methodist Hymnal;  
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### Lifting our Joys and Concerns

Leader: Lord, in your mercy / in our joy

**People: Hear our Prayer**

**Call for Children—No. 445, *Happy the Home When God Is There***

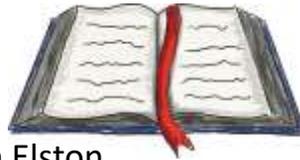
Happy the home when God is there, and love fills every breast;  
when one their wish, and one their prayer, and one their heavenly rest.

Happy the home where Jesus' name is sweet to every ear;  
where children early speak his fame, and parents hold him dear.



**Time Mostly for Children**—Hayley Winkler

**Presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders**—Dylan Elston  
Kaydence Jensen  
Lucy Ranum



Pastor to People: These are the baptized children of your church. They are now equipped with the tool that we believe contains all that's necessary for salvation. Will you, by your prayers and example, lead these children in the examination of Scripture to learn and to deepen our faith?

**People to Children: We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray that God will lead you, your family, and us in reading and studying Scripture regularly in our homes, in classes here at church and in our worship. We look forward to learning together as we grow in our knowledge and understanding of Holy Scripture. Amen.**

**Hymn of Dedication**—No. 601, *Thy Word Is a Lamp*

## The Church Hears God's Word

Luke 17:1-10 (Faith the size of a mustard seed)

Response—Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**+Hymn of Preparation**—TFWS, No. 2226, *Bind Us Together*

**Sermon Scripture**—2 Timothy 1:1-14

Response—Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Message**—*Fanning the Flames of Authentic Faith* by Rev. Duane Coates

**Responses to the Word**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**—

*A time of individual prayer of confession*

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

That proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God. Amen.**

Passing the Peace—*Did you have a dimmer-switch experience or toggle-switch experience that turned you on to faith?*



## In Our Prayers This Week

**In Hospital**

**Fighting Cancer**

Sue Olson

Rev. Jolene Knudson-Hanse

Duane Triebold

Jan Barlow

Rita Beaudry

Herbert Triebold

**In Hospice Care**

**Prayer Requests**

Our 4GoG Ministries  
mental health concerns

Pastor Dayne, Aimee, &  
Camille

Lori Glaser

Bonnie Burchill

Bishop Laurie Haller

World Leaders

Military

People of Ukraine

Pastor Paul

Pastor Duane

Jake Steen

**In Joy**

Fall is here!

Bazaar prep week!

Joy of Ministry

If you or a member of your family is going into the hospital or moving from one care center to another and you would like the church to know about this, please call the church office at 701-845-0340 or email [office@epworthvalleycity.com](mailto:office@epworthvalleycity.com). This helps our church family care for one another.

## Ministers of the Gospel

All members of the congregation.

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## +The Great Thanksgiving—page 15

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**People: Christ has died; Christ is Risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Leader: All honor and glory is yours,  
almighty God, now and for ever.

**All: Amen**

## The Lord's Prayer in Unison

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Everyone is welcome to the Lord's Table regardless of age or membership.

## Prayer After Communion—

Announcements—

**+Closing Song—**No. 714, *I Know Whom I Have Believed* (v. 1-3)

**+Dismissal with Blessing—**

Leader: We have praised God, been fed and nourished; and we are sustained in our faith. As we go from here, let us respond to the holy calling.

**All: We will become hope for others. We will invite others to  
the table of grace. We will share our resources and be a voice  
for justice, sharing the words and teachings of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: May the faith of our ancestors come to life in you and be expressed to everyone you meet so, it is available to every new generation. **Amen.**

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**+Postlude—**



# October

Anniversaries & Birthdays

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Laura & Derek Bruns
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Bruce Ranum
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ellie Kvilvang  
Jan McCarthy
- 5<sup>th</sup> Lily Nielson
- 6<sup>th</sup> Kevin Rohrbeck



## St. Mary's Fall Supper —

Today, October 2, 2022 serving from 4-7 p.m. Located six miles east of Dazey, ND. Turkey, trimmings, corn, homemade sauerkraut, and dessert. Takeout meals available and also a chair lift. Unique gift baskets and decorated pumpkins for sale.



**American Foundation for Suicide Prevention**



**OUT OF THE DARKNESS**  
Community Walks

**Out of the Darkness Walk**—The Out of the Darkness VC Walk to support suicide prevention is scheduled for today, Sunday, October 2, @ VCSU's Lokken Stadium. Registration begins at 2:30 p.m. and the walk begins at 3:00 p.m. Need info? Call 701-845-7316.

## Faith Lutheran's Annual Fall Festival—

Faith Lutheran's Annual Fall Festival is scheduled for Sat., Oct. 15, 10 a.m.—1 p.m. The youth will be serving homemade soups-to-go.

**Clean Your Closet Ministry**—Shanara Lint is planning to have a Free-Clothing Garage Sale next spring for impacted families in need. She will be collecting clothing all fall and winter. So, when you are going through your closets as seasons change and find you have gently used items that you no longer want, please consider donating them for Shanara's ministry project. You may drop items off at the church, and she will pick them up each week.



## Epworth Ministry Review

Attendance: Sun., Sept. 25, In-person—61  
Online views—23

Sunday School—8 Adult SS—12

Youth—September 28—16

Stewardship: Sept. 25-29, 2022

Daily Expenses—\$2,606.00

Building/ Trustees—\$.00

Glory of God's House—\$75.00

Sunday School—\$7.25



## In Ministry Today

Organist—Cyndi Hill

Music—

Music Director—Lance Drevecky

Livestream—Matt Nielson

Projection—Emily Hoff

Greeters—Derek & Katie Woehl

Ushers—George & Jan McCarthy

Lector—Derek Woehl



### Welcoming Pastor Duane—

Pastor Duane would like to get to know our church family. Please consider inviting him and a few of your friends to your home, the church, or your favorite restaurant. Call Pastor Duane to invite and schedule.



Bazaar 2022!—October 8th is just around the corner! Please help us make this year a wonderful success! Bring your

crafts, basket fillers, and helping hands to the church during bazaar prep week Oct. 2-6! We put in long days of assembling baskets, preparing spaces, and seeing to all the fine details that make our bazaar something special. Please remember to bake something for the Heavenly Bakery and bring them Fri., Oct. 7, or early Sat., Oct. 8. Price lists and instructions will be available. We are collecting donations for lefsa. This is a nice option if you don't bake. Leave donations in the office or with Jan McCarthy. Don't forget to come and shop! The Bazaar starts at 10:30 a.m. and serving for lunch begins at 11:00 a.m.



### Holiday Decorations Wanted!—

If you have nearly new or gently used holiday decorations you do not want or need anymore, Kathy Miller would love to add them to her repurposed holiday décor room at the Bazaar. Please bring donations to the church before Oct. 7th. Thank you!



### Choir Practice—

Choir practice is scheduled for Wednesdays, Oct. 5, 12, & 19 at 7:00 p.m. Lance would love to see new faces! Your voices are welcome and needed!



### Servant Leadership Meeting—

The SLT will meet on Monday, October 10th at 5:30 p.m.

**Indoor Trick or Treat**—Our annual Indoor Trick or Treat Event here at Epworth is scheduled for Mon., Oct. 31, 5-7 p.m. We will have dinner this year! Sign up sheets are out for volunteers and for treat tables. Donations of candy for the Epworth Table are welcome too!



Flu Shot Clinic—A Flu Shot Clinic will be held at Epworth on Sunday, October 9, from 9:45-10:30 am.

Vaccinations will be provided by City-County Health District Nurses. Please bring your insurance card(s) with you to the office area in the church. If you have questions, feel free to call 845-8518 for more info.



GREAT PLAINS FOOD BANK

### Food Distribution

**Scheduled**—The

Great Plains Food Bank truck will be arriving on Monday, October 10! Food distribution time will be from 1:30 to 3 p.m. It will include a variety of fresh and shelf-stable foods. We are looking for 6 or 7 volunteers! Please call the church office if you would like to assist with this ministry. 845-0340. Volunteers are essential to the success of this important ministry! Thanks to all those that continue to volunteer for each distribution!



### October is Pastor

**Appreciation Month—**

October is almost here so it is time for Pastor

Appreciation Month! Please let Pastor Duane know that he is appreciated in some way this month. Send a card, e-mail, text message with your note of appreciation. Small gifts throughout the month are also welcome!



### We Love Washington School

**Ministry**—For the month of

October, we will have another "Fill the Fridge" event to show care for the teachers and staff of Washington School by gathering drinks items to Fill the Fridge of the workroom. Donations of soda (especially diet drinks, such as Diet Coke go well), tea, water, etc. are appreciated. You may drop off your donations in the church office area.

### Church Family Supper—

Join us! Church Family Supper is scheduled for Wed., Oct. 12, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. We look forward to sharing this time of food and fellowship!