



March 10, 2024

A Special Message to First-Time Visitors

We are delighted to have you with us today! Here are a few things you might want to know as you prepare for worship.

We love to see children at worship and welcome them in the sanctuary. There are activity bags available in the hallway for them should they become restless. We also have a nursery located in the wing opposite the sanctuary staffed by two capable, loving attendants.

The restrooms are located just outside the hallway leading to the sanctuary, with a wheelchair/handicap accessible restroom down the hall. If you need help finding any of these, please ask an usher.

We have a "Welcome" packet for you with more information about Living Word Lutheran Church.

At the beginning of the service, the ushers distribute red pads for all in attendance to complete. Please complete the form so we can provide a more personal ministry.

Prayer request cards are included for you to fill out and place in the plate when offering is taken. The pastor will then, with your permission, share the concern and pray for your need during the prayer time.

We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday to all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. You are invited to commune with us. The dark red liquid is wine and the lighter colored liquid is grape juice.

We welcome the opportunity to visit with you. Please join us for coffee & cookies immediately following the service.

Your presence today is a blessing. May our collective worship be acceptable and pleasing to God, our Father.

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Usher

Judy Williams/

Harmony Lundberg/James Mullin

Security

Bill Zavadil

Sound System

Troy Turner

Lector

Dan Owen/James Mullin

Communion Assistant

Lorraine Stargel

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Lorraine Stargel/Ardis Kilber

Coffee Hour

Carol Brennan/Nancy Martin

Flowers

*** No flowers during Lent ***

Tellers

Judy Krumwiede/Linda Kupka

Sharlene Parker

Julian Estates Worship Leaders

Ron & Sharon Johnson

Bonaventure

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March 17, 2024

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Security

Don Brennan

Sound System

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Lector

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Bonaventure

TBD



Order of Worship March 10, 2024, 4th Sunday in Lent Pastor Eric Lundberg

Abbreviations: LBW-Green Hymnal, HWC-Light Blue Hymnal WOV-Dark Blue Hymnal ESV English Standard Version R: Reader C: Congregation P: Pastor

Please remember to silence all electronic devices upon entering the sanctuary.

Before the service we talk to God. During the service God talks to us.

After the service, we talk to each other.

Pastors' Corner

Good morning and Welcome to Living Word!

I am so glad that you chose to worship with us this morning. We are spending this Lent season doing a spiritual assessment of our walks with the Lord. I feel that we, as Christians, can get very comfortable with our faith and fall out of step with an active and advancing God. The church was not designed to stay still - we are designed to advance. As we enter worship this morning, let's allow our hearts and minds to be open to the Holy Spirit. Let's allow him to point out things in our lives that do not belong and surrender those things to him. The presence of God is very near - He desires to be with us. Lent is all about removing the mess we created in our own hearts, so that he can replace that with his plan, purpose and righteousness!

God Bless You!

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MISSION STATEMENT

"We, God's people of Living Word Lutheran Church, grounded in Holy Scripture are called to follow and share the inspired Word of God in Christ, to live as faithful and obedient servants, reaching out to all people with the love of Jesus Christ."

Our worship begins with background music about five minutes before the stated start time. Please take this opportunity to find a seat and quietly prepare your heart for worship.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Prelude "The Cross of Christ"

Praise Song "Lion and the Lamb"

"The Lion And The Lamb"

Verse 1

He's coming on the clouds:
Kings and kingdoms will bow down,
And every chain will break,
As broken hearts declare His praise,
For who can stop the Lord Almighty? (Chorus)

Verse 2

So open up the gates,
Make way before the King of kings.
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free,
For who can stop the Lord Almighty (Chorus)

Chorus

Our God is the Lion, The Lion of Judah.

He's roaring with power, And fighting our battles, And every knee will bow before Him.

Our God is the Lamb: The Lamb that was slain For the sins of the world.

His blood breaks the chains,

And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb;

Every knee will bow before Him

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Special Music "Jesus Is Better" Led by Naomi Lundberg

Verse 1

There is no other so sure and steady
My hope is held in Your hand
When castles crumble and breath is fleeting
Upon this rock I will stand
Upon this rock I will stand
(Chorus)

Chorus

Glory glory we have no other King But Jesus Lord of all We raise the anthem Our loudest praises ring We crown Him Lord of all

Verse 2

Your kindly rule has shattered and broken
The curse of sin's tyranny
My life is hidden 'neath Heaven's shadow
Your crimson flood covers me
Your crimson flood covers me

Bridge

In all my sorrows Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
In ev'ry vict'ry Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
Than any comfort Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
More than all riches Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
And our souls declaring Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
And our song eternal Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
(Chorus)

Prayer of the Day (all pray) God of all mercy, by your power to heal and to forgive, graciously cleanse us from all sin and make us strong; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

We Worship with Confession

Confession and Forgiveness (Psalm 51)

- P: We come to this moment of confession in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen!
- <u>P:</u> Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your loving-kindness; in Your great compassion blot out our offenses. <u>C:</u> Wash us from our wickedness and cleanse us from our sins.
- <u>P:</u> You, O God, know our sin. Nothing is hidden from You. Therefore, You are justified when You speak, and You are right when You judge.
- <u>C:</u> Make us pure, O God. Wash our slate clean. Turn from our sin and remember it no more.
- P: Hide Your face from our sins. Grant us mercy, even though we are unworthy.
- <u>C:</u> Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from Your presence and take not Your Holy Spirit from us.
- P: Give us the joy of Your saving help and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit.
- <u>C:</u> Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your loving-kindness; in Your great compassion blot out our offenses.
- P: Let us take some time to confess our sins before God.

<A moment of silent prayer and reflection>

- P: Almighty God...
- <u>C:</u> We have fallen short of Your glory. We have done things with which You are not well pleased. We have failed to do things that would have helped our neighbor. We confess that sin has come between You and us. O God, We come before You now in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior to ask for Your forgiveness and a cleansing of our hearts. Hear our prayer. We want to be in a right relationship with You. Please remove all those things that we allow to get in the way. We are sorry for what we have done. We humbly come before You with our confessions and thanksgiving. Amen
- <u>P:</u> People of God, you have made confession of your sins before the Lord. Therefore, you are promised forgiveness through faith in Jesus Christ. So, by the authority of God our Father and Jesus Christ His only Son and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I boldly and confidently announce the forgiveness of all your sins. You have been washed clean and purified of your sins. Rejoice and be glad, for you are a child of God.
- C: Praise be to God! Amen!

Special Music

"Ancient Words"

We Hear and Read God's Word

The first reading is from the letter to the Ephesians, the 2nd chapter (ESV)

¹ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind ⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace

you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

(R: The Word of the Lord)
C: Thanks be to God

This reading is from Psalm 107 (ESV) (responsive)

Reader: ¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Congregation: ² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble

Reader: ³ and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

C: ¹⁷ Some were fools through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities suffered affliction;

- R: 18 they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.
- $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$: ¹⁹ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.
 - R: ²⁰ He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.
- C: 21 Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!
 - R: 22 And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

(R: Here ends this reading)

We Worship by Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Nicene Creed

<u>WE BELIEVE</u> in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

WE BELIEVE in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;

By the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

And his kingdom will have no end.

WE BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Announcements

This Reading is from Revelation, the 3rd chapter, verses 1-6 (ESV).

1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write:

'The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

"I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. ² Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. ³ Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you

will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you. ⁴ Yet you have still a few names in Sardis, people who have not soiled their garments, and they will walk with me in white, for they are worthy. ⁵ The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. ⁶ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

(R: The Word of the Lord)C: Praise to you O Christ

Message

Offertory

Offering Hymn

"With Grateful Joy"

With grateful joy for You, The Source of all life
We raise one voice
To You from whom all blessings flow

You are the Giver of life, You are the Lover of life
The good Sustainer of life
We live in You
We live in You

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The Words of Institution

Holy Communion

Communion Hymns

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The Lamb, the Lamb,

O Father where's the sacrifice?

Faith sees, believes

God will provide the Lamb of price! (Chorus)

Chorus

Verse 1

Worthy is the Lamb

Whose death makes me His own!

The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

Verse 2

The Lamb, the Lamb,

One perfect final offering.

The Lamb, the Lamb,

Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. (Chorus)

"The Lamb"

Verse 3

The Lamb, the Lamb,

As wayward sheep their shepherd kill.

So still, His will

On our behalf the law to fill. (Chorus)

Verse 4

He sighs, He dies,

He takes my sin and wretchedness.

He lives, forgives,

He gives me His own righteousness. (Chorus)

Verse 5

He rose, He rose,

My heart with thanks now overflows.

His song prolong

Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. (Chorus)

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"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Verse 1

Let us break bread together on our knees, Let us break bread together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees

With my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me!

Verse 2

Let us drink wine together on our knees, Let us drink wine together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees

With my face to the rising sun.

O Lord have mercy on me!

Verse 3

Let us bow 'round the altar on our knees,

Let us bow 'round the altar on our knees.

When I fall on my knees

With my face to the rising sun,

O Lord have mercy have mercy!

Verse 4

Let us praise God together on our knees,

Let us praise God together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees

With my face to the rising sun,

O Lord have mercy have mercy!

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

Verse 1

Jesus, name above all names, Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmauel, God is with us, Blessed Redeemer, living Word.

Verse 2

Jesus, loving shepherd, Vine of the branches, Son of God Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor Lord of the universe, Light of the world.

Verse 3

Jesus, Way of salvation, King of kings, Lord of Lords, The way the truth, and the Life, Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.

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Prayers of the Church

The LORD'S Prayer

The LORD'S Prayer (spoken)

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 and ever. Amen.

Hymn

"There's Something About That Name"

HWC 102

Jesus, Jesus; there's just something about that name.

Master, Savior, Jesus, like the fragrance after the rain;
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, let all Heaven and earth proclaim

Kings and kingdoms will all pass away,

But there's something about that name!

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Benediction (please stand)

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

On Our Way Rejoicing

Closing Hymn "Soon and Very Soon" Andrea Crouch

Verse 1 Verse 2

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King! Soon and very soon we are going to see the King! Soon and very soon we are going to see the King! Halleluia! Halleluia! We're going to see the King! No more crying there, we are going to see the King! No more crying there, we are going to see the King! No more crying there, we are going to see the King! Halleluia! Halleluia! We're going to see the King!

Verse 3

No more dying there, we are going to see the King! No more dying there, we are going to see the King! No more dying there, we are going to see the King! Halleluia! Halleluia! We're going to see the King!

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P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD! <u>C:</u> Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Musician: Mary Kaye Owen Choir Director: Dan Owen

We Worship By How We Live During the Week

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning!

If you are a visitor, we are blessed that you have joined us for worship.

Coffee hour will follow the worship service. Please join us!