



**April 19, 2026**

**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 people.

The restrooms are located just to the right as you enter the building and before the sanctuary, with a wheelchair-accessible handicap restroom down the hall past the hallway doors leading inside the sanctuary. If you need help finding any of these, please ask an usher.

Each row has a red pad with a form 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 the 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.

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! We are blessed by your presence, and God is glorified. Please join us for coffee following the service.

April 19, 2026

**Usher**  
Feliz Lundberg  
**Acolyte**  
Ransom Lundberg  
**Nursery**  
Legacy Lundberg  
**Security**  
Duane Claiborne  
**Sound System**  
Ron Johnson  
**Lector**  
Sharlene Parker  
**Communion Assistant**  
Nancy Martin  
**Communion Set-up/clean-up**  
Nancy Martin/Ardis Kilber  
**Coffee Hour**  
Sharlene Parker/Sharon Hurd  
**Flowers**  
TBD  
**Tellers**  
Toni Sherman/Denise Alvord  
**Julian Estates / Bonaventure**  
Jeff DeBord/Ron Heilman

April 26, 2026

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**Acolyte**  
Delilah Harvey  
**Nursery**  
Legacy and Harmony Lundberg  
**Security**  
Tony Deas  
**Sound System**  
Bill Zavadil  
**Lector**  
Feliz Lundberg  
**Communion Assistant**  
Lorraine Stargel  
**Communion Set-up/clean-up**  
Lorraine Stargel/Nancy Martin  
**Coffee Hour**  
Lorraine Stargel/Heidi Sturdivant  
**Flowers**  
Phil and Sharon Hurd  
**Tellers**  
Sharlene Parker/Bob Martin  
**Julian Estates / Bonaventure**  
Ron and Sharon Johnson



**Order of Worship**  
April 19, 2026, 3rd Sunday of Easter  
Pastor Eric Lundberg

**LBW-Green Hymnal, HWC-Light Blue Hymnal, WOV-Dark Blue Hymnal**  
*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.*

**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.”

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**Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Prelude**

**“You Are My All in All”**

**arr. C Tornquist**

**Praise Song**

**“How Majestic Is Your Name”** *(by special request)*

**HWC 30**

**Verse**

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

**Chorus**

O Lord, we praise Your name. O Lord, we magnify Your name:  
Prince of Peace, mighty God; O Lord God Almighty. **(Repeat Verse and Chorus)**

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**We Worship by Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Apostles' Creed**

*(please stand)*

**I BELIEVE** in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

**I BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our LORD. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I BELIEVE** in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Opening Hymn**

**“And Can It Be”** *(by special request)*

**HWC 203**

**Verse 1**

And can it be that I should gain  
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me? **(Refrain)**

**Verse 2**

He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race!  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For, O my God, it found out me. **(Refrain)**

**Verse 3**

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night.  
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray:  
I woke— the dungeon flamed with light!  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. **(Refrain)**

**Verse 4**

No condemnation now I dread:  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, thru Christ my own. **(Refrain)**

**Refrain**

Amazing love (Amazing love)! How can it be (how can it be)  
That Thou, my God, Shouldst die for me!

**Prayer of the Day** (all pray): **O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; 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 by Confessing our Sins

**Pastor:** Remembering our baptism into Christ Jesus, we gather as we are to live, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.**

**P:** Beloved in the LORD, let us draw near with faithful hearts and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the name of our LORD Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P:** Our help is in the name of the LORD. **C: Who made heaven and earth.**

**P:** I said, I will confess my sins unto the LORD. **C: May God forgive the offense of my sin.**

**P:** *(Facing altar which symbolizes God's presence):* Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,  
**C: We confess to You that we are by nature sinners and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, pleading for and seeking Your grace for the sake of our LORD Jesus Christ.**

<A moment of silent prayer and reflection>

**P:** Most merciful God **C: You have given Your only begotten Son to die for us. Have mercy upon us, and for Jesus' sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.**

**P:** *(Facing the congregation, declares God's grace):* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for Jesus' sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on Jesus' Name, He gives power to become children of God and bestows on them His Holy Spirit. Those who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O LORD, unto us all. **C: Amen. All: Praise the LORD!**

## We Hear and Read God's Word

### The first reading is from Luke 24:13-35 (ESV)

<sup>13</sup> That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them.

<sup>16</sup> But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad.

<sup>18</sup> Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the

things that have happened there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body, they came back

saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.”

<sup>25</sup> And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, <sup>29</sup> but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward

evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them.

<sup>31</sup> And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?”

<sup>33</sup> And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, <sup>34</sup> saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

(The Word of the Lord)

**C: Thanks be to God**

**This reading is from Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (ESV) (responsive)**

R: <sup>1</sup> I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

**C: <sup>2</sup> Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

R: <sup>3</sup> The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

**C: <sup>4</sup> Then I called on the name of the Lord: “O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”**

R: <sup>12</sup> What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me?

**C: <sup>13</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,**

R: <sup>14</sup> I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

**C: <sup>15</sup> Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.**

R: <sup>16</sup> O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.

**C: <sup>17</sup> I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.**

R: <sup>18</sup> I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

**C: <sup>19</sup> in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!**

(R: Here ends this reading)

**Children’s Message**

**Announcements**

## The Preaching Text

*(Please stand for the reading of the epistle lesson)*

**This reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians 1:15-29 (ESV)**

<sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. <sup>21</sup> And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup> if indeed you continue in the faith, and steadfast, not shifting from the

hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup> Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup> of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup> For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

(R: The Word of the Lord)

C: Praise to you O Christ

### Message

### Offertory

“The Risen Christ”

arr. Tornquist

### Offering Hymn

“Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise”

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Thank the Lord and sing his praise;  
Tell ev'ryone what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord  
Rejoice and proudly bear his name.  
He recalls his promises  
And leads his people forth in joy  
With shouts of thanksgiving.  
Alleluia.  
Alleluia.

### The Words of Institution

### Holy Communion

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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## "The Old Rugged Cross"

HWC 186

**Verse 1**

On a hill far away stood an old, rugged cross,  
 The emblem of suffering and shame;  
 And I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
 For a world of lost sinners was slain. **Refrain**

**Verse 2**

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
 Has a wondrous attraction for me;  
 For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above  
 To bear it to dark Calvary. **Refrain**

**Verse 3**

In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,  
 A wondrous beauty I see;  
 For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died  
 To pardon and sanctify me. **Refrain**

**Verse 4**

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,  
 Its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
 Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,  
 Where His glory forever I'll share. **Refrain**

**Refrain**

So, I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
 Till my trophies at last I lay down;  
 I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
 And exchange it some day for a crown.

**Prayers of the Church****The Lord's Prayer****The Lord's Prayer** (sung)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors  
 and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
 For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**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

“The Love of God” *(by special request)*

HWC 67

#### Verse 1

The love of God is greater far  
Than tongue or pen can ever tell,  
It goes beyond the highest star  
And reaches to the lowest hell;  
The guilty pair, bowed down with care,  
God gave His Son to win:  
His erring child He reconciled  
And pardoned from his sin. *(Refrain)*

#### Refrain

O love of God, how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure—  
The saints’ and angels’ song.

#### Verse 2

When years of time shall pass away  
The earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,  
When men, who here refuse to pray,  
On rocks and hills and mountains call,  
God’s love so sure shall still endure,  
All measureless and strong:  
Redeeming grace to Adam’s race—  
The saints’ and angels’ song. *(Refrain)*

#### Verse 3

Could we with ink the ocean fill  
And were the skies of parchment made,  
Were ev’ry stalk on earth a quill  
And ev’ry man a scribe by trade,  
To write the love of God above  
Would drain the ocean dry,  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole  
Tho stretched from sky to sky.

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

### Postlude

Pianist: Mary Kaye Owen

***Thank you for worshiping with us this morning! Please join us for  
Coffee Hour and Sunday School following the worship service.***

***10:45 – Refreshment Time (Coffee Hour) in the Fellowship Hall***

***11:05 – 11:15 – Gather in the sanctuary for Sunday School Opening Exercises***

***11:15 – 12:00 – Kindergarten to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade meet in the Youth Room***

***11:15 – 12:00 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 5<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the Conference Room***

***11:15 – 11:55 – Youth meet in the Library***

***11:15 – 11:55 – Adults meet in the Sanctuary for Adult Sunday School***

***12:15 – 1:00 – Choir Rehearsal***