



February 11, 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 young women.

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.

February 11, 2024

Usher
Judy Williams
Security
Dennis Krumwiede
Sound System
Troy Turner
Lector
Linda Deas/James Mullin
Communion Assistant
Sharlene Parker
Communion Set-up/clean-up
Lorraine Stargel/Ardis Kilber
Coffee Hour
Yvonne Olson/Nancy Martin
Flowers
Dennis & Judy Krumwiede
Tellers
Judy Krumwiede/Linda Kupka
Sharlene Parker
Julian Estates Worship Leaders
Ron & Sharon Johnson
Bonaventure
Ron & Sharon Johnson

February 18, 2024

Usher
Sharlene Parker
Security
Don Brennan
Sound System
Bill Zavadil
Lector
Sharon Johnson
Communion Assistant
Nancy Martin
Communion Set-up/clean-up
Carol Brennan/Ardis Kilber
Coffee Hour
Heidi Sturdivant/Lorraine Stargel
Flowers
*** no flowers during Lent ***
Tellers
Judy Krumwiede/Linda Kupka
Sharlene Parker
Julian Estates Worship Leaders
Mike & Gayla Fenimore
Bonaventure
Ron Heilman



Order of Worship

**February 11, 2024, Transfiguration of Our Lord
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 honored that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Today, we remember the transfiguration of Jesus. That day he revealed himself to Peter, James, and John in a divine and supernatural way. He showed them who he was before he became a man and who he would be again. Today, we are going to begin a spiritual assessment as a church. We are going to look at our hearts and our spirits and present them before God. We are going to allow him to reveal anything inside of us that holds us back from truly seeing Jesus. Not only are we in awe of the transfiguration of Jesus, but we want to be transformed into his likeness.

As we worship, let's allow the Holy Spirit full access to our hearts and minds and follow his leading as we look to Jesus the author and finisher of our faith!

God bless you and thank you for worshipping with us today!

Pastor Eric Lundberg

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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

Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Dennis and Judy Krumwiede in honor of their parents.

Prelude

“The Love of God”

arr. LaRowe

Praise Song

“We Are Here to Praise You”

Chorus

We are here to praise You
Lift our hearts and sing
We are here to give You
The best that we can bring

Verse 1

And it is our love
Rising from our hearts
Ev'rything within us cries
Abba Father

Verse 2

Help us now to give You
Pleasure and delight
Heart and mind and will that say
I love You Lord

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Opening Hymn *(please stand)*

“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”

Chorus

Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship.
Come just as you are before your God.
Come.

Verse 2

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives,
Willingly our knees will bow.
With all our heart, soul, mind and strength,
We gladly choose You now. **(chorus)**

Verse 1

One day every tongue will confess You are God.
One day every knee will bow.
Still, the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now. **(chorus)**

Ending

Come. Come. Come, just as you are, come.

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Prayer of the Day (all pray): **Almighty God, on the mountain you showed your glory in the transfiguration of your Son. Give us the vision to see beyond the turmoil of our world and to behold the king in all his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Special Music

“Oh Lord, You're Beautiful”

led by Naomi Lundberg

Verse 1

Oh Lord, You're Beautiful,
Your face is all I seek.
And when Your eyes are on this child,
Your grace abounds to me.

Bridge

I want to take Your Word
And shine it all around.
First help me just to live it Lord.
And when I'm doing well,
Help me to never seek a crown,
For my reward is giving glory to You.

Verse 2

Oh Lord, please light the fire
That once burned bright and clear.
Replace the lamp of my first love
That burns with holy fear.

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We Worship by Confessing Our Sins

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness (Psalm 130)

P: We continue our worship by confessing our sins...

P: Out of the depths, we cry out to You, Oh Lord. Oh Lord hear our voice. Let Your ears be attentive to our cry for mercy. If You, Oh Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are to be feared.

C: **Oh Lord, hear our cry.**

P: God promises to hear our prayers and to never forsake us. Trust that our cries to God are heard by Him and that, in the name of Jesus, reconciliation will happen. Let's take some time to cry out to God asking for forgiveness, trusting that God is waiting to hear from us.

<A moment of silent prayer and reflection>

P: Oh Lord...

C: **We wait for You, our souls wait for You, and in Your Word we put our hope. Our souls wait for You, Oh Lord, more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning. Oh Lord hear our prayer and forgive us our sins for we know that in You there is mercy; in You there is hope; in You there is life. Hear our cries and grant us Your grace in the name of Your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

P: We have cried out to the Lord and the Lord has heard our prayers. Oh people of God, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love. And with Him, is full redemption. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord, and by his authority, I declare onto you the complete forgiveness of all your sins. Rejoice and be glad for we have a God who loves us and wants to spend eternity with us. Praise be to God, Amen.

We Hear and Read God's Word

The first reading is from 2 Kings 2:1-12 (ESV)

¹ Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. ³ And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁴ Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵ The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him,

"Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁶ Then Elijah said to him, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷ Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸ Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on

me.”¹⁰ And he said, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so.”¹¹ And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went

up by a whirlwind into heaven.¹² And Elisha saw it and he cried, “My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” And he saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel lesson)

The Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.

² And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵ And Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for

Elijah.” ⁶ For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” ⁸ And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. ⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

R: The Gospel of the Lord
C: Praise to you, O Christ

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

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.

Children’s Message

Announcements

The preaching text is from Revelation, chapter 2. (Read by confirmation student, James Mullin)

¹ “To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: ‘The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.

² “I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles and are not, and found them to be false. ³ I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. ⁴ But I have this against you, that you have

abandoned the love you had at first. ⁵ Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. ⁶ Yet this you have: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. ⁷ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.’

(Here ends this Reading)

Message

Offertory

“Because I Love You”

JW Peterson”

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

“The Lamb”

Verse 1

The Lamb, the Lamb,
O Father where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes
God will provide the Lamb of price! (Chorus)

Chorus

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)

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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Verse 1

O Master, let me walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; Help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Verse 2

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

Verse 3

Teach me your patience! Still with Thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong;

Verse 4

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only Thou canst give,
With Thee, O Master, let me live.

“Just As I Am (I Come Broken)”

Verse 1

Just as I am without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that thou bidst me to come to thee
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

Verse 2

Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot
To thee whose blood can cleanse each spot
O Lamb of God, I come, I come **(Chorus)**

Chorus

I come broken to be mended,
I come wounded to be healed.
I come desperate to be rescued,
I come empty to be filled.
I come guilty to be pardoned,
By the blood of Christ, the lamb.
And I'm welcomed with opened arms
Praise God, Just as I am

Verse 3

Just as I am I would be lost
But mercy and grace my freedom bought
And now to glory in Your cross
O Lamb of God, I come, I come. **Chorus**

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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”

Jesus, 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.

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

“Christ, Be Our Light”

Bernadette Farrell

Verse 1

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see. **Chorus**

Chorus

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Verse 2

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. **Chorus**

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Message – Final Thoughts

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: 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!***