



**July 24, 2022**

**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. Pastor Mike 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.

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.

**July 24**

**Acolyte**

*John Madden*

**Ushers**

*Judy Ostendorf*

**Security**

*Dave Ostendorf*

**Sound System**

*Bill Zavadil*

**Lector**

*Linda Deas*

**Communion Asst.**

*Sharon Johnson*

**Communion Set-up/clean-up**

*Peggy Byus/Lorraine Stargel*

**Coffee Hour**

*Judy Krumwiede/Toni Sherman*

**Flowers**

*Ardis Kilber*

**Tellers**

*Judy Krumwiede/Linda Kupka*

*Sharlene Parker/Al Auge*

**Julian Estates Worship Leaders**

*Sharlene Parker/Ron Heilman*

**Bonaventure**

*Pastor Mike Byus*

**July 31**

**Acolyte**

*Claire Debord*

**Ushers**

*Sharlene Parker*

**Security**

*Mike Stankovich*

**Sound System**

*Raeanne Mitchell*

**Lector**

*Tony Deas*

**Communion Asst.**

*Nancy Martin*

**Communion Set-up/clean-up**

*Nancy Martin/Yvonne Olson*

**Coffee Hour**

*Raeanne Mitchell/Heidi Sturdivant*

**Flowers**

*Jeff & Sarah DeBord*

**Musician**

*Debbie Stankovich*

**Tellers**

*Judy Krumwiede/Linda Kupka*

*Sharlene Parker/Al Auge*

**Julian Estates Worship Leaders**

*Skip & Kathy Whelan*

**Bonaventure**

*Pastor Mike Byus*



**Pastors Corner**

“A grain of mustard seed ... the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs” (Matt. 13:31-32).

In this parable of the mustard seed, Jesus said that the kingdom of God, like a seed, contains spontaneity and divine vitality, the inherent forces of a life that can fashion its own self. This parable is one of the simplest, yet it contains one of the most profound messages. No one can predict how big something will grow. We should never “despise the day of little things,” because God has a way of multiplying our small endeavors and giving us tremendous results.

Walk with Jesus and be like a mustard seed.  
Praise His holy name.

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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.”**

**Living Word is affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ**

**LWLC FINANCIAL REPORT**

In Person Offering	\$2,467.00
Online Offering	\$ 0
Julian Estates – 7-3	\$ 210.00
Julian Estates – 7-10	\$ 115.00
Bonaventure	\$ 0
<b>Deposit Total:</b>	<b>\$2,792.00</b>

**LWLC ATTENDANCE REPORT**

Last Week’s Attendance	54
Julian Estates Attendance – 7-3	6
Julian Estates Attendance – 7-10	11
Bonaventure	7

**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.**

**Living Word Lutheran Church  
Order of Worship  
July 24, 2022, The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
\*Congregation Stands  
Pastor Mike Byus**

Our worship begins with the prelude. When you hear the bell ring, take a seat and quietly prepare your heart for worship.

**Prelude**

**“Give Thanks”**

**Praise Hymn**

**“Give Thanks”**

**Chorus (sing 2x)**

Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One  
Give thanks because He's given  
Jesus Christ His Son

**Verse (sing 2x)**

And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done for us

**Ending**

Give thanks, Give thanks

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**Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**\*Opening Hymn (by special request)**

**“How Great Thou Art”**

**LBW 532**

**Verse 1**

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
Thy pow'r through-out the universe displayed;  
**(chorus)**

**Verse 4**

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, What joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow In humble adoration  
And there proclaim, “My God how great Thou art!” **(chorus)**

**Verse 2**

When through the woods and forest glades I  
wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;  
**(chorus)**

**Chorus**

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

**Verse 3**

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin; **(chorus)**

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**Prayer of the Day (We Pray Together) – God of glory, Father of love, peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### **We Worship with Confession**

**P:** We begin our time of worship in the name of God our Creator, Jesus our redeemer and the Holy Spirit our sustainer of life, Amen.

**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 you.

<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**

#### **This Reading is from the Book of Genesis, the 18th Chapter. (ESV)**

<sup>20</sup> Then the LORD said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous <sup>21</sup> that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know." <sup>22</sup> The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD. <sup>23</sup> Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?" <sup>26</sup> The LORD said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup> Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, <sup>28</sup> what if the

number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?" "If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it." <sup>29</sup> Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?" He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it." <sup>30</sup> Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?" He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup> Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?" He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup> Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

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

**This Reading is from the Book of Psalms, the 138<sup>th</sup> Psalm (ESV)**  
(to be read responsively)

R: I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

**C: <sup>2</sup>I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.**

R: <sup>3</sup>On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

**C: <sup>4</sup>All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth,**

R: <sup>5</sup>and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.

**C: <sup>6</sup>For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.**

R: <sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.

**C: <sup>8</sup>The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

**\*The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke, the 10th Chapter (ESV)**

<sup>38</sup> As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

<sup>41</sup> "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, <sup>42</sup> but few things are needed or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

(The Gospel of Our Lord)  
**C: Praise to you O Christ**

**We Worship by Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Apostle's 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.

**Message**

**\*Offertory**

**"Ancient of Days"**

**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.**

## \*Offering Prayer

### Words of Institution

### Communion

### Communion Hymns

#### “Lamb of God”

##### Verse 1

Your only Son no sin to hide  
But You have sent Him from Your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod  
And to become the Lamb of God (*chorus*)

##### Verse 2

Your gift of love they crucified  
They laughed and scorned Him as He died  
The humble King they named a fraud  
And sacrificed the Lamb of God (*chorus*)

##### Verse 3

I was so lost I should have died  
But You have brought me to Your side  
To be led by Your staff and rod  
And to be called a lamb of God (*chorus*)

##### Chorus

Oh, Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God  
I love the holy Lamb of God  
Oh wash me in His precious blood  
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

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#### “Only By the Blood of the Lamb (sing 2x)

Only by the blood of the Lamb  
Only by the blood of the Lamb  
We've overcome  
In His grace we now stand  
Only by the blood of the Lamb

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#### “White as Snow” (sing 2x)

White as snow white as snow  
Though my sins were as scarlet  
Lord I know Lord I know  
That I'm clean and forgiven

##### Chorus

Through the power of Your blood  
Through the wonder of Your love  
Through faith in You I know  
That I can be white as snow

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**“Jesus Your Name”**

**Verse 1**

Jesus Your name is power  
Jesus Your name is might  
Jesus Your name will break ev'ry stronghold  
Jesus Your name is life

**Verse 2**

Jesus Your name is healing  
Jesus Your name gives sight  
Jesus Your name will free ev'ry captive  
Jesus Your name is life

**Verse 3**

Jesus Your name is holy  
Jesus Your name brings light  
Jesus Your name above ev'ry other  
Jesus Your name is life

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**Prayers of the Church**

**The LORD'S Prayer**

**The LORD'S Prayer** (congregation sings)  
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.

**Announcements**

**Flowers today are given by Ardis Kilber in memory of husband Martin and daughter Tracy.**

**Benediction ( Pastor)**

**“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**

**Verse 1**

Lord, teach us how to pray aright,  
With rev'ence and with fear.  
Though dust and ashes in your  
sight,  
We may, we must draw near.

**Verse 2**

We perish if we cease from prayer;  
Oh, grant us pow'r to pray.  
And when to meet you we  
prepare,  
Lord, meet us on our way.

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**“Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright”**

**Verse 3**

Give deep humility;  
the sense Of godly sorrow give;  
A strong desire, with confidence,  
To hear thy voice and live;

**Verse 4**

Faith in the only sacrifice  
That can for sin atone;  
To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes  
On Christ, on Christ alone.

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**Verse 5**

Give these, and then your will be done;  
Thus strengthened with all might,  
We, through your Spirit and your Son,  
Shall pray, and pray aright.

**Worship By How We Live During the Week**

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

**Musician: Mary Kaye Owen**

**Choir Director: Dan Owen**

***Thank you for worshipping 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!***