



Ruins of an ancient temple in Corinth.

September 6, 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 worshiping with us this morning! We are blessed by your presence, and God is glorified. Please join us for coffee following the service.

September 6, 2026

Usher

Toni Sherman

Acolyte

Ransom Lundberg

Nursery

Legacy Lundberg

Security

Ron Johnson

Sound System

Bill Zavadil

Lector

Feliz Lundberg

Communion Assistant

Sharlene Parker

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Rick and Sue Fields

Coffee Hour

Judy Williams

Flowers

Lydia Auge

Tellers

Toni Sherman/Sharon Johnson

Julian Estates / Bonaventure

Jeff DeBord/Ron Heilman

September 13, 2026

Usher

Sharlene Parker

Acolyte

Delilah Harvey

Nursery

Legacy and Harmony Lundberg

Security

Dick Schmidt

Sound System

Troy Turner

Lector

Toni Sherman

Communion Assistant

Toni Sherman

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Toni Sherman/Ardis Kilber

Coffee Hour

Toni Sherman

Flowers

Steve and Ann Vonderau

Tellers

Sharlene Parker/Denise Alvord

Julian Estates / Bonaventure

Ron and Sharon Johnson



Order of Worship

September 6, 2026, 15th Sunday after Pentecost

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.”

Living Word is affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. (<https://lcmc.net>)

Contact Us

Pastor (253) 370-4651 (mobile)
Pastor.Eric.LWL@outlook.com

Office (253) 846-1276
office@LivingWordLutheranChurch.org

Website: <https://LivingWordLutheranChurch.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LWLCGraham>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@LivingWordLutheranChurchGraham>

Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Monday – Thursday

Dan’s Hours: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Tuesday – Thursday (206) 719-7884
10515 269th Street East, Graham, WA 98338

Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Lydia Auge
in remembrance of Al Auge's birthday.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Prelude

Praise Song

"Hymn Of Heaven"

Verse 1

How I long to breathe the air of Heaven,
Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets;
To look upon the one who bled to save me,
And walk with Him for all eternity. **(Chorus 1)**

Chorus 1

There will be a day
When all will bow before Him.
There will be a day
When death will be no more.
Standing face to face
With him, who died and rose again.
Holy, holy is the Lord.

Verse 2

And ev'ry prayer, we prayed in desperation;
The songs of faith
We sang through doubt and fear.
In the end, we'll see that it was worth it
When He returns to wipe away our tears. **(Chorus 1)**

Verse 3

And on that day we join the resurrection,
And stand beside the heroes of the faith.
With one voice, a thousand generations
Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Forever He shall reign. **(Chorus 1)(Chorus 2)**

Chorus 2

So, let it be today
We shout the hymn of Heaven.
With angels and the Saints
We raise a mighty roar.
Glory to our God
Who gave us life beyond the grave.
Holy, holy is the Lord.
Holy, holy is the Lord.
Holy, holy is the Lord.

CCLI Song # 7168994 Bill Johnson | Brian Johnson | Chris Davenport | Phil Wickham © Brian and Jenn Publishing; CDaves Music; Songs For TIM;
Phil Wickham Music; Simply Global Songs; Bethel Music Publishing CLI License # 3226184

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.

Verse 1

Alas! And did my Savior bleed?
 And did my Sov'reign die?
 Would He devote that sacred head
 For sinners such as I! **(Refrain)**

Verse 2

Was it for crimes that I have done
 He groaned upon the tree?
 Amazing pity! grace unknown!
 And love beyond degree! **(Refrain)**

Verse 3

Well might the sun in darkness hide
 And shut His glories in.
 When Christ, the mighty Maker, died
 For man the creature's sin. **(Refrain)**

Verse 4

But drops of grief can ne'er repay
 The debt of love I owe:
 Here, Lord, I give myself away –
 'Tis all that I can do! **(Refrain)**

Refrain

At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light
 And the burden of my heart rolled away –
 It was there by faith I received my sight,
 And now I am happy all the day!

Prayer of the Day (all pray): **O God, we thank you for your Son who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow his commands; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We Worship by Confessing our Sins (from Lutheran Worship, Divine Service)

Pastor: 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 a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, imploring 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 transgressions to the LORD. C: **Who forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: (Facing altar which symbolizes God's presence):

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against you by thought, word, and deed; therefore, we flee for refuge to your boundless mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL: O most merciful God, since you have given your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for his 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, to the end that by your grace we may come to everlasting 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 his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on his name he gives power to become the children of God and has promised them his Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O LORD, unto us all. C: **Amen.**

We Hear and Read God's Word

The first reading is from Roman 13:8-14 (English Standard Version)

⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹ Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

(The Word of the Lord)

C: Thanks be to God

This reading is from Psalm 119:33-40 (ESV) (responsive)

R: ³³ Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end.

C: ³⁴ Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

R: ³⁵ Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

C: ³⁶ Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain!

R: ³⁷ Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways.

C: ³⁸ Confirm to your servant your promise, that you may be feared.

R: ³⁹ Turn away the reproach that I dread, for your rules are good.

C: ⁴⁰ Behold, I long for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life!

(R: Here ends this reading)

Children's Message

Announcements

The Preaching Text

(Please stand for the reading of the scripture lesson)

This reading is from the Book of Acts 18:1-11(ESV)

¹ After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. ² And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome. And he went to see them, ³ and because he was of the same trade he stayed with them and worked, for they were tentmakers by trade. ⁴ And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and tried to persuade Jews and Greeks.

⁵ When Silas and Timothy arrived from Macedonia, Paul was occupied with the word, testifying to the Jews that the Christ was Jesus. ⁶ And when they opposed and reviled him, he shook out his garments and said to them, "Your

blood be on your own heads! I am innocent. From now on I will go to the Gentiles." ⁷ And he left there and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshiper of God. His house was next door to the synagogue. ⁸ Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed in the Lord, together with his entire household. And many of the Corinthians hearing Paul believed and were baptized. ⁹ And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, ¹⁰ for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people." ¹¹ And he stayed a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

(R: The Word of the Lord)

C: Praise to you O Christ

Message

Offertory

Offering Hymn

"Create In Me"

LBW p. 96

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
And uphold me with your free Spirit.

The Words of Institution

Holy Communion

Communion Hymns

"Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

Refrain

Eat this bread, drink this cup.
Taste and see the goodness of God.
Bread of life, cup of love,
we rejoice in your presence.

Verse 3

Angels fold their wings around us,
guard through good and ill.
Those who seek the Lord will lack nothing;
taste, and have your fill. **Refrain**

Verse 1

I will bless the Lord at all times,
praise with heart and voice;
In my God I glory forever:
listen and rejoice **Refrain**

Verse 4

Saints of God, bow down and worship,
Bless the holy name.
Rise to tell God's greatness forever,
wondrous deeds proclaim! **Refrain**

Verse 2

Look upon the Lord, be radiant,
never turn away.
God will save in ev'ry affliction,
hear us when we pray. **Refrain**

With One Voice #706; Jeremy Young; OneLicense.net # 01247

"This Is My Body"

This is my body given up for you, this is my blood poured out for you.
This is my body given up for you, this is my blood poured out for you.
Body of Christ. Amen. Blood of Christ. Amen.
Body of Christ. Amen. Blood of Christ. Amen.

Edward V. Bonnemere; OneLicense.net # 53415

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.

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

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

HWC 234

Verse 1

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Thru all eternity.

Verse 3

Crown Him the Lord of life:
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

Verse 2

Crown Him the Lord of love:
Behold His hands and side-
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond'ring eye
At mysteries so bright.

Verse 4

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n:
One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit thru Him giv'n
From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise,
For Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, thru endless days
Adored and magnified.

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Pianist: Mary Kaye Owen

***Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!
Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for Coffee Hour following the service.***