



October 19, 2025
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 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.

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.

## October 19, 2025

Usher

Valerie Claiborne

Acolyte

Ransom Lundberg

Nursery

Legacy Lundberg/Grace Reichl

**Security** 

Bill Zavadil

**Sound System** 

Troy Turner

Lector

TBD

**Communion Assistant** 

Toni Sherman

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Toni Sherman/Ardis Kilber

**Coffee Hour** 

Nancy Martin/Sarah Harvey

**Flowers** 

Bob and Nancy Martin

**Tellers** 

Sharlene Parker/Sharon Johnson

Julian Estates / Bonaventure

Tony and Linda Deas

Ron Heilman

## October 26, 2025

Usher

Carol Brennan

Acolyte

Delilah Harvey

Nursery

Legacy and Harmony Lindberg

Security

Duane Claiborne

Sound System

Bill Zavadil

Lector

Grace Reichl

**Communion Assistant** 

Sharlene Parker

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Lorraine Stargel/Nancy Martin

**Coffee Hour** 

\*\*\* Reformation Potluck \*\*\*

**Flowers** 

Larry and Mary Vollmer

**Tellers** 

Toni Sherman/Bob Martin

Julian Estates / Bonaventure

Ron Heilman



# Order of Worship October 19, 2025 19th 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)

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## Flowers today are given by Bob and Nancy Martin with thanks for all of God's blessings.

## Welcome and Opening Prayer

**Dick Schmidt** 

## **Prelude**

## **Praise Song**

## "Glory to God in the Highest"

**Refrain** Glory to God in the highest, Sing! Glory to God!
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on Earth!

**Verse 1**: Lord, God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father; We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory! **C**: (Refrain)

**Verse 2**: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer! **C**: (Refrain)

Verse 3: Women: For You alone are the Holy One,
Men: You alone are the Lord, the Most High, Jesus Christ,
All: with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father! C: (Refrain)

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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.

<u>I BELIEVE</u> 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.

<u>I BELIEVE</u> 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**

## "Now the Feast and Celebration"

**WOV 789** 

#### Refrain

Now the feast and celebration, All of creation sings for joy To the God of life and love and freedom; Praise and glory forevermore!

#### Verse 1

Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, Whose blood has freed and united us To be one great people of God. *(refrain)* 

#### Verse 2

Power and riches, wisdom and might, All honor and glory to Christ forever. *(refrain)* 

#### Verse 3

For God has come to dwell with us, To make us people of God; To make all things new. *(refrain)* 

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Prayer of the Day (all pray): God of love, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them; keep us from those things that harm us; and guide us in the way of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## We Worship by Confessing our Sins

<u>L</u>eader: 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. <u>Congregation: Amen.</u>

- L: 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.
- L: Our help is in the name of the LORD. **C: Who made heaven and earth.**
- L: I said, I will confess my sins unto the LORD. C: May God forgive the offense of my sin.
- L: (Facing altar which symbolizes God's presence): Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,
- <u>C:</u> 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>

L: 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.

<u>L</u>: (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 Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 3:14 – 4:5 (ESV)

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

**4** I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup> preach the word; be ready

in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup> For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup> and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup> But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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

## This reading is from Psalm 121 (ESV) (responsive)

Reader: <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

Congregation: <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

R: <sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

<u>C</u>: <sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

<u>R</u>: <sup>5</sup> The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

<u>C</u>: <sup>6</sup> The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

R: <sup>7</sup> The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

<u>C</u>: 8 The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

(R Here ends this reading)

Children's Message Jeff DeBord

#### **Announcements**

## The Message

(Please stand for the reading of the scripture lesson)

The Gospel according to Luke 18:-14 (ESV).

<sup>1</sup> And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup> And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup> For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup> yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup> And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup> I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

<sup>9</sup> He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: <sup>10</sup> "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup> The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' <sup>13</sup> But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' <sup>14</sup> I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

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

Message Naomi Lundberg

Offering Ron Johnson

Offertory

"As the Grains of Wheat" Offering Hymn **WOV 705** 

#### Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.

Verse 1 Verse 2

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst, may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain*  Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come when all creation shares this feast with you. *Refrain* 

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The Words of Institution

**Holy Communion** 

"Lamb of God" **Communion Hymns** 

Now the Feast and Celebration

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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"He Is Lord" **HWC 105** 

Verse 1 Refrain

Emptied of His glory; God became a man, To walk on earth in ridicule and shame. A Ruler, yet a Servant; a Shepherd, yet a Lamb;

A Man of Sorrows, agony and pain.

Verse 2

Humbled and rejected, beaten, and despised. Upon the cross the Son of God was slain. Just like a lamb to slaughter, a sinless sacrifice;

But, by His death His loss became our gain. (Refrain)

Verse 3 Satan's forces crumbled like a mighty wall.

He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!

Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess

He is Lord, He is Lord!

That Jesus Christ is Lord.

The stone that held Him in was rolled aside. The Prince of Life in glory was lifted over all,

Now earth and heaven echo with the cry. (Refrain)

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"Alleluia" HWC 91

## Verse 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### Verse 3

He is worthy, He is worthy!

## Verse 2

He's my Savior, He's my Savior!

## Verse 4

I will praise Him, I will praise Him!

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## **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**

## "Praise to You, O God of Mercy"

**WOV 790** 

## Verse 1

Praise to you, O God of mercy! Thanks be to you forever! Raising high the weak and lowly: Thanks be to you forever!

#### Verse 2

From of old you loved and sought us! Thanks be to you forever! Truth and justice you have taught us: Thanks be to you forever! (*Bridge*)

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## **Bridge**

Strong is your faithfulness, strong is your love, rememb'ring your covenant of life with us.

#### Verse 3

Praise to you, O God of mercy!
Thanks be to you forever!
Raising high the weak and lowly:
Thanks be to you forever! Thanks be to you forever!

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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 1st grade meet in the Youth Room

11:15 – 12:00 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 5<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the Conference Room

11:15 – 11:55 – Youth meet in the Library or the Sanctuary

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

12:10 - 1:00 - Choir Rehearsal