



April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday
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

April 13, 2025

Usher
Carol Brennan
Acolyte
Grace Reichl
Nursery
Legacy and Harmony Lundberg
Security
Ron Johnson
Sound System
Troy Turner
Lector
Dick Schmidt
Communion Assistant
Toni Sherman
Communion Set-up/clean-up
Toni Sherman/Ardis Kilber
Coffee Hour
Judy Williams/Denise Alvord
Flowers
*** no flowers ***
Tellers
Toni Sherman/Denise Alvord
Julian Estates / Bonaventure
Ron Heilman

April 20, 2025

Usher
Lorraine Stargel
Acolyte
Feliz Lundberg
Nursery
Legacy Lundberg/Grace Reichl
Security
Bill Zavadi
Sound System
Troy Turner
Lector
Sharlene Parker
Communion Assistant
Nancy Martin
Communion Set-up/clean-up
Nancy Martin/Ardis Kilber
Coffee Hour
Sharlene Parker/Toni Sherman
Flowers
*** Easter Lilies ***
Tellers
Sharlene Parker/Lorraine Stargel
Julian Estates / Bonaventure
Ron Heilman



Order of Worship
April 13, 2025, Palm Sunday
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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Welcome and Opening Prayer

Prelude

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

LWLC Hand Chimes

(please stand)

Opening Hymn and Procession

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

LBW 108

Refrain:

All glory, laud and honor
To You, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

Verse 3

The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before You went.
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before You we present. **(Refrain)**

Verse 1

You are the King of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessed One. **(Refrain)**

Verse 4

To you, before Your passion,
They sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. **(Refrain)**

Verse 2

The company of angels
Are praising You on high;
Creation and all mortals
In chorus make reply. **(Refrain)**

Verse 5

Their praises You accepted;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious King. **(Refrain)**

We Worship by Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Nicene Creed

WE BELIEVE in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

WE BELIEVE in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;

By the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

And his kingdom will have no end.

WE BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Day (all pray): Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Choir

“Sing, Hosannah, Sing”

Joel Raney

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness (based on Psalm 130)

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, Oh 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 unto 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.

Special Music

“Ancient Words”

We Hear and Read God's Word

The first reading is from Isaiah, the 50:4-9 (ESV)

⁴ The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

⁵ The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward.

⁶ I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

⁷ But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.
Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me.

⁹ Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

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

This reading is from Psalm 31:9-16 (ESV) (responsive)

R: ⁹ Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also.

**C: ¹⁰ For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.**

R: ¹¹ Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors,
and an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

C: ¹² I have been forgotten like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

R: ¹³ For I hear the whispering of many—terror on every side!—
as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

C: ¹⁴ But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, “You are my God.”

R: ¹⁵ My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!

C: ¹⁶ Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love!

(Here ends this reading)

Special Music

“The Holy City”

Sharon Johnson

Children’s Message

Announcements

The Message Text

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel lesson)

The Gospel according to St. Matthew 21:1-11 (ESV).

21 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ “Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them.

⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” ¹¹ And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

(R: The Gospel of the Lord)

C: Praise to you O Christ

Message

Offertory

“In the Garden”

Hand Chimes

Offering Hymn

“Create in Me”

(unknown)

Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence O Lord,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me, the joy of Thy salvation,
And renew a right spirit within me.

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.

“Praise the Name of Jesus” (2X)

HWC 93

Praise the name of Jesus,
Praise the name of Jesus.
He's my Rock, He's my Fortress,
He's my Deliverer, In Him will I trust.
Praise the name of Jesus

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“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

Verse 1

Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
Blessed Redeemer, living Word.

Verse 2

Jesus, loving shepherd,
Vine of the branches, Son of God
Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor
Lord of the universe, Light of the world.

Verse 3

Jesus, Way of salvation,
King of kings, Lord of Lords,
The way the truth, and the Life,
Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.

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“His Name Is Wonderful”

HWC 101

Chorus

His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord;
He is the mighty King, Master of ev'rything, His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.
He's the Great Shepherd, The rock of all ages, Almighty God is He;
Bow down before Him, Love and adore Him, His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.

He's the Great Shepherd, The rock of all ages, Almighty God is He;
Bow down before Him, Love and adore Him, His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.

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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.

Response

“There's Something About That Name”

HWC 102

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.

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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

"Lift High the Cross"

LBW 377

Refrain

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name

Verse 3

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died. **Refrain**

Verse 1

Come Christians, follow where our captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. **Refrain**

Verse 4

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. **Refrain**

Verse 2

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. **Refrain**

Verse 5

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! **Refrain**

Postlude

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

Pianist: Mary Kaye Owen

Choir Director: Dan 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 – 2nd grade – 5th grade meet in the Conference Room

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