



September 28, 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.

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.

### **September 28, 2025**

Usher

Carol Brennan

Acolyte

Grace Reichl

**Nursery** 

Legacy and Harmony Lundberg

**Security** 

Tony Deas

**Sound System** 

Troy Turner

Lector

Lorraine Stargel

**Communion Assistant** 

Nancy Martin

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Nancy Martin/Ardis Kilber

**Coffee Hour** 

Carol Brennan/Valerie Claiborne

**Flowers** 

Lena Duggan

**Tellers** 

Toni Sherman/Lorraine Stargel

Julian Estates / Bonaventure

Ron and Sharon Johnson

# October 5, 2025

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Toni Sherman

Acolyte

Harmony Lundberg

Nursery

Legacy Lundberg/Grace Reichl

Security

Ron Johnson

**Sound System** 

Bill Zavadil

Lector

TBD

**Communion Assistant** 

TBD

Communion Set-up/clean-up

**TBD** 

**Coffee Hour** 

Nancy Martin/Sharlene Parker

**Flowers** 

Lorraine Stargel

**Tellers** 

Toni Sherman/Denise Alvord

Julian Estates / Bonaventure

Jeff DeBord/Ron Heilman



# Order of Worship September 28, 2025, 16th 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."

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# Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Lena Duggan in honor of

## **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

### **Prelude**

## **Praise Song**

## Verse 1

In the Lord, the Lord alone
Are righteousness and strength.
The height and breadth
And length of love is found in Him.
In the Lord, the Lord alone
Are righteousness and strength.
In the Lord, in the Lord alone.

### "In The Lord Alone"

#### Verse 2

In the Lord, the Lord alone
Are life and health and peace.
His mercies and His loving kindness
Never cease.
In the Lord, the Lord alone
Are life and health and peace.
In the Lord, in the Lord alone.

### Verse 3

In the Lord, the Lord alone
Is ev'rything I need.
The Son of Man now reigning high
Will intercede.
In the Lord, the Lord alone
Is ev'rything I need.
In the Lord, in the Lord alone.

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

(please stand)

**IBELIEVE** 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

Verse 1

I must tell Jesus all of my trials, I cannot bear these burdens alone; In my distress He kindly will help me, He ever loves and cares for His own.

### "I Must Tell Jesus"

Verse 2
I must tell Jesus all of my troubles,
He is a kind, compassionate friend;
If I but ask Him, He will deliver,
Make of my troubles quickly an end.

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## Verse 3

O how the world to evil allures me! O how my heart is tempted to sin! I must tell Jesus, and He will help me Over the world the vict'ry win.

## Refrain

I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! I cannot bear my burdens alone; I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! Jesus can help me, Jesus alone.

Prayer of the Day (all pray): Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves. In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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

# C: O 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: O Lord...

C: We wait for You, our souls wait for You, and in Your Word we put our hope. Our souls wait for You, O Lord, more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning. O 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. O 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.

## We Hear and Read God's Word

# The first reading is from 1 Timothy 6:6-19 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain, <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. 8 But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. 9 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness. gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> I charge you in the presence of God, who

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

gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches. but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

## This reading is from Psalm 146 (ESV) (responsive)

Reader: 1 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Congregation: <sup>2</sup>I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

- <u>R</u>: <sup>3</sup> Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
- <u>C</u>: <sup>4</sup>When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.
  - R: <sup>5</sup> Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,
- C: 6 who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;
- R: <sup>7</sup> who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;
  - <u>C</u>: 8 the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.
    - <u>R</u>: <sup>9</sup> The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
    - C: 10 The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

(R Here ends this reading)

## Children's Message

### **Announcements**

# The Message

(Please stand for the reading of the scripture lesson)

## This reading is from the book of Acts 9:32-43 (ESV)

<sup>32</sup> Now as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints who lived at Lydda. <sup>33</sup> There he found a man named Aeneas, bedridden for eight years, who was paralyzed. <sup>34</sup> And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. <sup>35</sup> And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord.

<sup>36</sup> Now there was in Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which, translated, means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> In those days she became ill and died, and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. <sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to

him, urging him, Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup> So Peter rose and went with them. And when he arrived, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping and showing tunics and other garments that Dorcas made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> But Peter put them all outside, and knelt down and prayed; and turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. <sup>41</sup> And he gave her his hand and raised her up. Then, calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive. <sup>42</sup> And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup> And he stayed in Joppa for many days with one Simon, a tanner.

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

## Message

# Offertory

Offering Hymn (please stand)

# "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

### The Words of Institution

## **Holy Communion**

# **Communion Hymns**

### 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

#### 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)* 

# "Lamb of God"

#### 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

#### 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)* 

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# I Love You Lord (2X)

**HWC 80** 

I love You Lord, and I lift my voice To worship You, O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear: May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

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# "Nothing But The Blood of Jesus"

**HWC 195** 

Verse 1

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again?

Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

Verse 2

For my pardon, this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my cleansing this my plea,

Nothing but the blood of Jesus (Refrain)

Verse 3

Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; Naught of good that I have done.

Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

Verse 4

This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness,

Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

(Refrain)

Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**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**

# "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

**HWC 228** 

### Verse 1

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, And triumph evermore: (Refrain)

### Verse 2

The Lord, our Savior, reigns, The God of truth and love; When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above: **(Refrain)** 

## Verse 3

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The keys of death and hell Are to our Jesus giv'n: **(Refrain)** 

### Verse 4

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord the Judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home: (Refrain)

### Refrain

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

## **Postlude**

Pianist: 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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 5<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the Conference Room

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

12:10 - 1:15 - Choir Rehearsal