



June 1, 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.

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Usher
Sharlene Parker
Acolyte
Ransom Lundberg
Nursery
Legacy and Harmony Lundberg
Security
Ron Johnson
Sound System
Troy Turner
Lector
Claire DeBord
Communion Assistant
Nancy Martin
Communion Set-up/clean-up
Rick and Sue Fields
Coffee Hour
Nancy Martin/Sarah Harvey
Flowers
Reuben and Heidi Sturdivant
Tellers
Toni Sherman/Denise Alvord
Julian Estates / Bonaventure
Ron Heilman

June 8, 2025

Usher
Valerie Claiborne
Acolyte
Delilah Harvey
Nursery
Legacy Lundberg/Grace Reichl
Security
Duane Claiborne
Sound System
Bill Zavadil
Lector
Dan Owen
Communion Assistant
Toni Sherman
Communion Set-up/clean-up
Toni Sherman/Ardis Kilber
Coffee Hour
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Tellers
Sharlene Parker/Sharon Johnson
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Jeff DeBord/Ron Heilman



Order of Worship

June 1, 2025 7th Sunday of Easter

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 to the glory of God by Reuben and Heidi Sturdivant
In celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Prelude

“Holy Is the Lord”

arr. C. Tornquist

Praise Song

“Holy Forever”

Verse 1

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb,
And all who've gone before us
And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb.

Your name is the highest,
Your name is the greatest,
Your name stands above them all.
All thrones and dominions, all powers and positions,
Your name stands above them all.

And the angels cry, “Holy.”
All creation cries, “Holy.”
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.

Verse 2

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed,
Sing the song forever to the Lamb.
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name,
Sing the song forever to the Lamb.
We'll sing the song forever and amen.

And the angels cry, “Holy.”
All creation cries, “Holy.”
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.

Hear Your people sing, “Holy,”
To the King of Kings, “Holy.”
You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

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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.

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.

Opening Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

LBW 165

Verse 1

Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy,
Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons,
Blessed Trinity!

Verse 3

Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye made blind by sin
Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy;
There is none beside thee,
Perfect in pow'r
In love and purity.

Verse 2

Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before thee,
Which wert and art
And evermore shalt be.

Verse 4

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise thy name
In earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy,
Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons,
Blessed Trinity!

Prayer of the Day (all pray): **Almighty and eternal God, your Son our Savior is with you in eternal glory. Give us faith to see that, true to his promise, he is among us still, and will be with us to the end of time; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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: and you 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 Acts 16:16-34 (ESV)

¹⁶ As we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ She followed Paul and us, crying out, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." ¹⁸ And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers. ²⁰ And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, "These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. ²¹ They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practice." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. ²³ And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. ²⁴ Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, ²⁶ and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. ³⁴ Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

(The Word of the Lord)

C: Thanks be to God

This reading is from Psalm 97 (ESV) (responsive)

R: ¹ The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

**C: ² Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

R: ³ Fire goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around.

C: ⁴ His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

R: ⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

C: ⁶ The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

R: ⁷ All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!

C: ⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.

R: ⁹ For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

**C: ¹⁰ O you who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the lives of his saints;
He delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**

R: ¹¹ Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

C: ¹² Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

(Here ends this reading)

Children's Message

Announcements

The Message Text

(Please stand for the reading of the epistle lesson)

This reading is from St. Paul's letter to Titus 3:1-15 (ESV).

3 Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, **2** to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people. **3** For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. **4** But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, **5** he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, **6** whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, **7** so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. **8** The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people. **9** But

avoid foolish controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels about the law, for they are unprofitable and worthless. **10** As for a person who stirs up division, after warning him once and then twice, have nothing more to do with him, **11** knowing that such a person is warped and sinful; he is self-condemned.

12 When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. **13** Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. **14** And let our people learn to devote themselves to good works, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not be unfruitful.

15 All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith.

Grace be with you all.

(R: The Word of the Lord)

C: Praise to you O Christ

Message

Offertory

“Ancient Words”

arr. C. Tornquist

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.

“This Is My Body”

WOV 707

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.

“Blessed Assurance”

WOV 699

Verse 1

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood. **Refrain**

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Verse 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. **Refrain**

Verse 3

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. **Refrain**

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

"Across the Lands"

Verse 1

You're the Word of God the Father
From before the world began
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice
Let the skies declare Your glory
Let the land and seas rejoice **(Chorus)**

Chorus

You're the author of creation
You're the Lord of ev'ry man
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands

Verse 2

Yet You left the gaze of angels
Came to seek and save the lost
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross
With a prayer You fed the hungry
With a word You stilled the sea
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free **(Chorus)**

Verse 3

With a shout You rose victorious
Wresting victory from the grave
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home **(Chorus)**

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P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Pianist: Mary Kaye Owen

Choir Director: Dan Owen

***Thank you for worshiping with us this morning! Please join us for
Coffee Hour following the worship service.***