

10:00 WORSHIP
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 12, 2023

Prelude

Announcements

Please stand

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Opening Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

LBW 315

Greeting and Response—Psalm 70

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

C: O LORD, make haste to help me!

P: Let them be put to shame and confusion

C: who seek my life!

P: Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor

C: who delight in my hurt!

P: Let them turn back because of their shame

C: who say, “Aha, Aha!”

P: May all who seek you

C: rejoice and be glad in you!

P: May those who love your salvation

C: say evermore, “God is great!”

P: But I am poor and needy;

C: hasten to me, O God!

P: You are my help and my deliverer;

C: O LORD, do not delay!

Prayer of the Day *“Lord, when the day of wrath comes we have no hope except in your grace. Make us so to watch for the last days that the consummation of our hope may be the joy of the marriage feast of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” Amen.*

Praise Songs

“Renew Me”

BOB 189

Dynamic Disciples will play bells

Children’s Message

“Jesus Love Me” v. 1

RED 555

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? “I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Please stand

Verse

“Spirit of the Living God”

BOB 201

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to Matthew, the 25th chapter (vs 1-13).

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *“Jesus Calls Us; O’er the Tumult”* LBW 494

Please stand

Apostle’s Creed LBW p.65

Offering Hymn *“We Give Thee but Thine Own”* v. 1,2 LBW 410

Prayers of the Church

Lord’s Prayer LBW p. 71

Please stand

Benediction

Closing Hymn *“Lift High the Cross”* LBW 377

P: Go into all the world.

C: **Go to be a blessing!**

Pianist: Kristi Seehafer

Lector: Sandy Christensen

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Living Word's Calendar

TODAY (11/12) 9:00 Sunday School/Coffee Fellowship
10:00 Worship/noisy change (Christmas shoeboxes)

TUESDAY 9:30 Quilting

WEDNESDAY 3:30 Confirmation
3:30 Dynamic Disciples
7:00 Council

THURSDAY 9:00 Community Coffee Fellowship

SUNDAY 9:00 Sunday School/Coffee Fellowship
9:00 December Servant Team meets
10:00 Worship
11:00 Annual Meeting
Pancake Breakfast following meeting

Announcements

Prayers for Sandy Christensen, Marsha Meister, Karen Hallquist, Elyse Reede, Barb Kloster, Tom Dorry, Marlin & Shirley Schmidt, Kelsey Little (Jamie & Hope Pekelder's niece), Trisha Weber (daughter-in-law of Don & Carol Weber), Brad Zahn.

Flowers on the altar are honor of Bob & Susan Capp's 64th wedding anniversary and Bob's birthday which is November 14.

Attention Middle & High School youth—A very exciting opportunity is coming to Milbank. Central Church & American Lutheran Church are joining together for a CITY-WIDE youth lock-in on Friday and Saturday, November 17-18! Craig & Molly Sanborn, Nationwide Christian speakers, will kick off the event at 7 p.m. The entrance fee for the youth will be to bring a parent or other caretaker to hear the speakers (parents don't need to stay the entire night, but they do need to come to hear the message!) Following the speakers, the high school youth will be bussed to American Lutheran for the first part of the night and the middle schoolers will stay at Central. At 1:30 a.m. pizza will be served, and the groups will trade places. Middle school youth can be picked up between 6:30-7:00 on Saturday at American Lutheran. The high schoolers can be picked up at Central between 6:30-7:00. Students are encouraged to bring a snack to share with everyone! Frozen pizza donations are also accepted! Chaperones are also needed! For questions, contact Levi Waddell, 605-949-0519.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 16—Impact/Mission meets
November 19—Annual Meeting
November 19—Pancake Meal after annual meeting
December 10—Sunday School Christmas Program

Prayerfully consider sponsoring a **Radio Broadcast** of our church service on KMSD. The service is broadcast at 8:00 AM on Sunday mornings. The cost is \$65. Signup sheets for sponsoring a radio broadcast and/or providing flowers are on the table in the fellowship hall.

Welcome visitors. Please sign our guest book located in the fellowship hall. Thank you for worshipping with us at Living Word Lutheran Church. We hope your worship experience is a blessing. If you live in the area and wish to know more about Living Word and the salvation found in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, please pick up a tote that contains a brochure with more information. Thanks for visiting Living Word, and come back often.

“**Women’s Connection**”, an affiliate of Stonecroft Ministries, meeting will be held at Central Church, Milbank, SD on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at 1:30 – 3:00 P.M, in the church fellowship hall.

Tickets: \$5.00 – Light dessert will be served.

Speaker—Joyce Buseman of Centerville — “Insurance for a Secure Future”

Special Feature — Kim Goetschius — “Building Our Families “

Music - Vicki Strege — piano

Come enjoy an afternoon of fellowship together with women in our area.

For reservations: please contact:

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Servant Team

December Servant Team will meet on **Sunday, November 19th**, during Coffee Fellowship at 9:00. **Servant teams help usher, greet, furnish and/or serve treats for coffee fellowship, help with weddings if scheduled during the month, and help and/or furnish for funerals that may occur during the month. If every member who is able volunteers for at least one area of service during their month, the work of the church will be easily accomplished throughout the year. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please prayerfully consider being a co-chairman for your Servant Team.** “*When a person trusts Jesus Christ for salvation, he or she is made a member of the body of Christ*” ([1 Corinthians 12:27](#))

**** Co-chairs**

Ballhagen, Chad

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Fish, Cynthia

Fish, Ethan

Forster, Terry

Hallquist, Karen

Heinje, Chuck & Sally

Hyde, Gary & Sharon

Maas, Scott & Laurie

McMahon, Adam & Amanda

Nelson, Bob & Pam

O’Farrell, Larry & Pat

Peterson, Don & Kelly

Redepenning, Jackie

Varpness, Angela

Shut-ins

Living Word Lutheran Church shut-ins would welcome a visit or phone call.

St. William’s Care Center: Lois Helm, Rita Raffety

Avantara: Elaine Hallberg, Lane Lindquist

Wellshire Park Place: Gordon Johnson, Marilyn Stemsrud, Chris Nelson, Carol Forster

Darcie’s Home Care: 1405 Highview Dr—Ann Sandbakken

Their own homes: Orlean Lardy, Bob Crist