

9:00 WORSHIP
JUNE 29, 2025
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 16

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: Keep me safe, my God,

C: for in you I take refuge.

P: I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord;

C: apart from you I have no good thing.”

P: I say of the holy people who are in the land,

C: “They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.”

P: Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.

C: I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods

P: or take up their names on my lips.

C: Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup;

P: you make my lot secure.

C: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

P: surely I have a delightful inheritance.

C: I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

P: even at night my heart instructs me.

C: I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

P: With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

C: Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

P: my body also will rest secure,

C: because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,

P: nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

C: You make known to me the path of life;

P: you will fill me with joy in your presence,

C: with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Prayer of the Day “O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” Amen

Praise Song

“In Christ Alone”

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9b-21

And the word of the Lord came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” The Lord said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” The Lord said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him.” So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him. Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. “Let me kiss my father and mother goodbye,” he said, “and then I will come with you.” “Go back,” Elijah replied. “What have I done to you?” So Elisha left him and went back. He took his yoke of oxen and slaughtered them. He burned the plowing equipment to cook the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his servant.

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. So I say, walk by the Spirit,

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Living Word's Calendar

TODAY (6/29)	9:00	Worship
	10:00	Coffee Fellowship
THURSDAY	9:00	Community Coffee Fellowship
SUNDAY (7/6)	9:00	Worship—Guest Speaker Jordan Hins
	10:00	Coffee Fellowship

Announcements

Prayers for Dave Hepper, Shirley Kindt, Sue Hippen, Gary Hyde, Jenna Johnson, Stacy Simonson, Hailey Heinje, Sharon Brown, Keaton Johnson, and Linda Prisinger.

Weekly Prayer Time has resumed. Anyone who would like to gather for a short prayer session after each service is invited to meet at the front of the sanctuary. There will be a focus on prayers for our church, but it will also be open to all prayer requests. Whether you want to participate by praying aloud or wish to just gather with us in silence, you are welcome! Please join us.

Valleyfair Trip is scheduled for Wednesday, July 9, for any youth who just finished grades 6 through 12. The registration and \$50 cost per person are due by July 2. Registration forms that contain other important details about the day are available on the table in the fellowship hall. Please contact Central Church with any additional questions you may have.

LWLC Apparel is now available to order. An order form is included in our June newsletter, featuring styles, sizes, and design options. There is also a display in the fellowship hall. Please see the bulletin insert and newsletter for ordering deadlines and further details.

Orphan Grain Train Quarterly Newsletter: If you would like to receive the OGT newsletters, please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall.



Mark Your Calendars

July 4 Church Office Closed

**July 9 Valleyfair Trip—Leave from Central Church
For youth who just finished 6th-12th grades
Registration and money due to Central by July 2**

July 27 Family Night Picnic 5pm

**September 20 Women of the Word Fall Gathering in Perham, MN
Registration deadline September 8**



Radio Broadcast

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

Noisy Change

Noisy Change Collected in the month of June is dedicated to FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes).



Servant Team

July Servant Team. 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 several areas 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.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” (1 Peter 4:10)

****Co-chairs**

Anderson, Paul & Jen
Dornbusch, Kevin & Renae
Kasuske, Greg & Lori
**Larson, Bruce & Linda
Loeschke, Mark & Darla
O’Farrell, Larry & Pat
Prisinger, Dale & Linda

Redepenning, Doug & Annette
Seehafer, Phil & Kristi
Seehafer, Todd & Brenda
Steltz, Joel
Vostad, Gene & Susan
Weber, Colby
Weber, Don & Carol



Visitors

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.

Shut-ins

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

St. William’s Care Center: Lil Colberg, Lois Helm, Betty Kloster, Rita Raffety

Avantara: Lane Lindquist

Wellshire Park Place: Carol Forster