

9:00 WORSHIP
AUGUST 31, 2025
TWELFTH 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

“There is a Redeemer”

BOB211

Greeting and Response—Psalm 90

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: Relent, Lord! How long will it be?

C: Have compassion on your servants.

P: Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,

C: that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

P: Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,

C: for as many years as we have seen trouble.

P: May your deeds be shown to your servants,

C: your splendor to their children.

P: May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us;

C: establish the work of our hands for us—

ALL: yes, establish the work of our hands.

Prayer of the Day “Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merit of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” Amen.

Praise Song

“10,000 Reasons”

Children’s Message

“Feed My Lambs”

First Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Please Stand

Verse

“Ancient Words”

P: The Holy Gospel according to John 3:16-21

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son. This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

“Ancient Words”

Sermon
Sermon Hymn
Please Stand
Apostle's Creed
Offering Hymn

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

“Create In Me”

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn

“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer”

LBW229

LBW343

P: The Lord asks, whom shall I send?

C: Here am I, send me!

Pianist: Kristi Seehafer
Lector: Kristopher Vietmeier

**The Church and Office will be closed on
Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day.
In case of an emergency please call or text
Pastor Curtis directly on his cell phone at (708)359-1491,
or Michelle at (708) 308-6912.**

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Living Word's Calendar

SUNDAY (8/31) 9:00 Worship
10:00 Coffee Fellowship

MONDAY LABOR DAY— CHURCH AND OFFICE CLOSED

THURSDAY 9:00 Community Coffee Fellowship

SUNDAY (9/7) WINTER WORSHIP HOURS BEGIN
8:45 Sunday School
9:00 Coffee Fellowship
10:00 Worship with Communion/Rally Sunday

Announcements

Prayers for Dave Hepper, Shirley Kindt, Sue Hippen, Jenna Johnson, Stacy Simonson, John DeAngelis, Hailey Heinje, Sharon Brown, Keaton Johnson, Collis Dahle, Tom Dorry, Bob Hornstein, Caleb Stanton, Myles Maas, and the Buttke Family.

Radio Broadcast is given in honor of Collis and Brenda Dahle's 55th Anniversary.

Communion Assistants are needed to be called on for coverage. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Get ready for Rally Sunday on September 7th! Sunday School begins at 8:45am, Coffee Fellowship at 9am, Worship with communion at 10am, followed by a potluck lunch and an afternoon filled with activities! Invite a friend and join us for a joyful time of worship, learning and fun!

Living Word Warriors are hosting a Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser on Sunday, Sept. 21st at 1:00. Adult teams and Kid teams are welcome. A concession stand will be open with food and drinks. Registration is encouraged but not required. Proceeds benefit It Only Takes A Spark Cancer Walk.

Quilting resumes in September! Quilters meet at 9:00am on the Second and Fourth Tuesday of every month. Extra hands are needed, and everyone is welcome to join, regardless of skill!



Mark Your Calendars

September 7 Rally Sunday WINTER WORSHIP HOURS BEGIN

September 17 Dynamic Disciples Resumes

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

September 21 Living Word Warriors Cornhole Tournament



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 August is dedicated to Gospel House Orphanage in Vietnam.



Servant Team

September 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**

Berdan, Daniel & Rachel
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Meister, Aaron & Teresa
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Quinn, Kristin
Sandvig, Brian & Janel
Weber, Kyle & Gretchen



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 and Rita Raffety

Avantara: Lane Lindquist