

10:00 WORSHIP
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 16, 2025

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 *“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”* vs. 1,2,4,6 LBW 320

Greeting and Response—Psalm 98

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: Oh sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for he has done marvelous things!

P: His right hand and his holy arm

C: have worked salvation for him.

P: The Lord has made known his salvation;

C: he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

P: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness

C: to the house of Israel.

P: All the ends of the earth have seen

C: the salvation of our God.

P: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

C: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

P: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,

C: with the lyre and the sound of melody!

P: With trumpets and the sound of the horn

C: make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

P: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

C: the world and those who dwell in it!

P: Let the rivers clap their hands;

C: let the hills sing for joy together

P: before the Lord, for he comes

C: to judge the earth.

P: He will judge the world with righteousness,

C: and the peoples with equity.

Prayer of the Day: *“Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” Amen*

Praise Song *“Shout to the Lord”* BOB 198

Children’s Message *“Feed My Lambs”* chorus only BOB 55

First Reading: Malachi 4:1-6

“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Please Stand

Verse ***“Sanctuary”***

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to Luke, the 21st chapter (5-36)

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

(Please refer to the bulletin insert or the screens.)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *“He Leadeth Me”* LBW 501

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed LBW p. 65

Offering Hymn	<i>“Praise and Thanksgiving”</i> vs 1,3	LBW 409
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Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer LBW p. 71

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Benediction

Closing Hymn *“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”* LBW 551

P: The Lord asks, “Whom shall I send?”

C: Here am I, send me!

Pianist: Bob Frink

Lector: Craig Randleman

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Living Word's Calendar

SUNDAY (11/16)	8:45	Sunday School
	9:00	December Servant Team meets
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	ANNUAL MEETING
TUESDAY (11/18)	9:00	Faith Circle
	7:00	Love Circle
WEDNESDAY (11/19)	NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE	
	3:30	Confirmation
	3:30	Dynamic Disciples
THURSDAY (11/20)	9:00	Community Coffee Fellowship
SUNDAY (11/23)	8:45	Sunday School
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Worship

Announcements

Prayers for Dave Hepper, Shirley Kindt, Jenna Johnson, John DeAngelis, Hailey Heinje, Keaton Johnson, Karen Kiefer, Bob Hornstein, Myles Maas, Caleb Stanton, Kent Englund, Jon Liebe, Jane Altberg, Heather Dorsey, Karen Hallquist, and Bud Remund.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored today by Dave and Mary Hepper in honor of their birthdays and in thankfulness for their many blessings.

More than 40 quilts are in the fellowship hall ready for shipment to Sierra Leone. A heartfelt thanks goes out to our quilters who continue to create these beautiful quilts for those in need.

Christmas Care Connection: Please refer to the bulletin insert for more information. Needs Cards should be placed in the box in the fellowship hall no later than Monday, November 17.

Women of the church are invited to a Porch Pot Event on December 7 in Ortonville. Bring your own large outdoor flower pot with soil. Evergreen boughs and decorations are provided. The cost is \$45. A signup sheet with more details is in the fellowship hall.

Are you on Facebook? If so, please go to the Living Word Lutheran Church, Milbank, SD, and click on “like.” (Be sure to include “Milbank, SD” in your search or you may get a different Living Word Lutheran.)

We are compiling a list of members who have keys to the church. If you have one, please contact the church office.



Mark Your Calendars

- November 16** Living Word Warriors Community Fundraiser
from 11:00 to 1:30 at 4-H Complex
- November 18** Women's Connection at Central Church at 1:30
- November 30** Installation of Council and LWLW Officers
- December 3** Book of Romans Bible Study at 10:00
- December 3** First mid-week Advent meal at 5:30 followed by
6:30 worship
- December 6** Advent Tea at Trinity Lutheran in Revillo at 2:00
- December 7** LWLW Porch Pot Event at 2:30 in Ortonville
- December 13** St. Lucia Breakfast at 9:30
- December 14** Children's Christmas Program during worship
service
- December 14** Live Nativity at Living Word



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 November will be used for Christmas gifts for children at the Gospel House Orphanages in Vietnam. The total collected to date is \$153.29.

The total collected in October for Dynamic Disciples was \$2,761.13.



Servant Team

December 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**

Ballhagen, Chad

Beck, Warren & Janice

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Fenner, Marlin & Janice

Fish, Ethan

Fish, Cynthia

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Hansen, Richard & Sandra

****Heinje, Howard & Marcia**

Hepper, Dave & Mary

Hyde, Sharon

Redepenning, Jackie

Schell, Lisa

Rehn, Arnie & Donna

Strege, Steve & Vicki



Visitors

Welcome visitors. Please sign our guest book located in the fellowship hall. Thank you for worshiping 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: Larry Brook, Lil Colberg, Betty Kloster, and Rita Raffety

Avantara: Lane Lindquist

Gospel: Luke 21:5-36

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