

10:00 WORSHIP
BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
JANUARY 11, 2026

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

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

LBW 90

Greeting and Response—Psalm 29

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: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

C: ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

C: worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

P: The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

C: the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

P: The voice of the Lord is powerful;

C: the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

P: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;

C: the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

P: He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,

C: and Sirion like a young wild ox.

P: The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire. The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;

C: the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

P: The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth

C: and strips the forests bare, and in his temple all cry, “Glory!”

P: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
C: the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.
P: May the Lord give strength to his people!
C: May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Prayer of the Day: *“Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful in their calling to be your children and inheritors with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ” Amen*

Praise Song

“Meekness and Majesty”

BOB 157

Children’s Message

“Feed My Lambs” chorus only

BOB 55

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: “I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them.”

Second Reading: Romans 6:1-11

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Please Stand

Verse

“Alleluia. Lord, To Whom Shall We Go?”

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to Matthew, the 3rd chapter (13-17)

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Hymn	<i>“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”</i>	LBW 87
Please Stand		
Apostles’ Creed		LBW p. 65
Offering Hymn	<i>“We Give Thee but Thine Own”</i> vs. 1,2	LBW 410
Prayers of the Church		
Lord’s Prayer		LBW p. 71
Please Stand		
Benediction		
Closing Hymn	<i>“Children of the Heavenly Father”</i>	LBW 474

P: The Lord asks, "Whom shall I send?"

C: Here am I, send me!

Pianist: Kristi Seehafer

Lector: David Kruger

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Living Word's Calendar

SUNDAY (01/11) 8:45 Sunday School
9:00 Coffee Fellowship
10:00 Worship/Chapel Communion

TUESDAY (01/13) 9:00 Quilting

WEDNESDAY (01/14) 3:30 Confirmation
3:30 Dynamic Disciples
5:30 Council Meeting

THURSDAY (01/15) 9:00 Community Coffee Fellowship

SUNDAY (01/18) 8:45 Sunday School
9:00 Coffee Fellowship
9:00 February Servant Team Meets
9:15 Altar Guild Meeting
10:00 Worship

Announcements

Prayers for Dave Hepper, Shirley Kindt, Jenna Johnson, Hailey Heinje, Keaton Johnson, Bob Hornstein, Myles Maas, Kent Englund, Jon Liebe, Karen Hallquist, Bob Johnson, and Heather Dorsey.

Altar Guild members and those who are interested in joining: There will be a short meeting next Sunday, January 18, at 9:15 before the church service. We will complete the monthly work schedule for the year ahead and discuss any questions or concerns you may have. If you cannot attend and have a certain month in which you would like to work, please let Linda Anderson know your choice before the meeting. Taking care of the altar is done in pairs and a service to our church which anyone can do. Our goal is to have 24 members with two women working each month. All are welcome!

Dynamic Disciples are looking for helpers from January 28 through March 25. Sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall if you are interested.

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.)



Mark Your Calendars

January 19 **Newsletter Items Due**

January 21 **Church Game Night at 5:15. See insert for details.**

April 18 **Augustana District's Men's Gathering in Hutchinson, MN. Watch for more information.**



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 January will go to Principal Dan Snaza to be used for student incidental needs at Milbank High School. The total collected to date is \$55.00.



Servant Team

February 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

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Seehafer, Todd & Brenda

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Vostad, Gene & Susan

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Weber, Don & Carol

Welcome 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

Fairway View-Granite View: Bob Hornstein