

10:00 WORSHIP
EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 5, 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

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

LBW 151

Greeting and Response

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;

C: His love endures for ever.

P: The Lord's right hand is lifted high;

C: The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!

P: I will not die but live,

C: And will proclaim what the Lord has done.

P: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

C: The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: His love endures forever. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day *“O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through*

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.” Amen

Praise Song
Children's Message

“10,000 Reasons”
“Feed My Lambs” chorus only

BOB 55

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Verse

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to John, the 20th chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” Having said this, she turned around and saw



Mark Your Calendars

- April 9** **4:00-6:00 p.m. Grief Support Group (13 weeks)**
Milbank Visitor Center, facilitated by Jody Kuper
- April 15** **1:00 p.m. Romans Bible Study** continues
5:30 p.m. Milbank Christian Fellowship Children's Choir
Freewill offering meal to follow
- April 18** **Augustana District's 1st Men's Gathering**
Christ the King Lutheran, Hutchinson, MN
"Prodigal: The Road Home"
Registration is needed.
(Brochures are available on the table in the back)
- April 25** **Augustana District's Annual Convention**
Mt. Carmel, Alexandria, MN
Registration is needed.
- May 31-June 4** **VBS Rainforest Falls**



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 for the month of April is designated for the Mission Trip to Vietnam. Two young men from our congregation, Hunter Reede and TJ Wojahn, will be going on the next ALWM mission trip to Vietnam scheduled for this June. Funds collected will help defray the cost of their trip. A group of eight team members, including Pastor Bill Moberly and his wife Sally, will accompany them on this trip.



Noisy Change collected in the month of March for the Alpha Center totaled \$473.39.

Servant Team

May 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**

Balling, Bernie & Tina
Brook, Larry & Peggy
Buttke, Deb
Capp, Robert & Susan
Cramer, Zach & Emily
Hornstein, Barb
Keeton, Mark
Myklegard, Chuck

Nelson, Glenn & Joanne
Olson, Brad & Jackie
Schwandt, Kyle & Melanie
Sime, Kent & Susan
Veen, Charles & Nadine
Wellnitz, Jenny
Yaeger, Robert

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

2026 LWLC Council Contacts

President: Jackie Olson

Vice President: David Kruger

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Living Word Lutheran Women Officers

Coordinator: Sandy Christensen

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Mission Action: Gloria Cooley

Mission Growth: Linda Wagner

Mission Community: Marcia Heinje

Advisor: Brenda Seehafer

Pastor: Melanie Reiners

Living Word's Calendar

SUNDAY (today)	EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 Easter Breakfast Served by the Youth 8:30 Scavenger Hunt for the Kids No Sunday School 10:00 Worship/Communion
MONDAY (4/6)	Church/Office Closed
WEDNESDAY (4/8)	3:30 Confirmation 3:30 Dynamic Disciples 5:30 Council Meeting
THURSDAY (4/9)	9:00 Community Coffee Fellowship
SUNDAY (4/12)	8:45 Sunday School 9:00 Coffee Fellowship 10:00 Worship 11:00 Chapel Communion

Announcements

Prayers for Shirley Kindt, Jenna Johnson, Hailey Heinje, Keaton Johnson, Bob Hornstein, Myles Maas, Jon Liebe, Bob Johnson, Heather Zimny, Linda Wagner, Kay Groethe, and Heather Dorsey.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored today by Marlin and Shirley Schmidt in loving memory of Jeff Schmidt.

Sympathy and prayers to the family of Bruce Larson, whose funeral was held at the church last Tuesday.

Remember the congregational vote on the property playground equipment on Sunday, April 12.

"What About Me?" is a new Bible study coming soon. More information and a signup sheet are in the fellowship hall.

Feminine Products are being collected for ICAP in April by the women of the church. Donated items can be placed in the baskets in the fellowship hall.

New Member Sunday is approaching. If you are interested in becoming a member of Living Word, please contact Pastor Melanie or the church office.

"Women's Connection," an affiliate of Stonecroft Ministries, is a nondenominational women's group. Their next meeting in Milbank will be on April 21, 2026, from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. in the church fellowship hall at Central Church. Karen Anderson of Minnetonka, Minnesota, will share "From Light to Darkness," and the Muntean family, Heather Muntean and her four daughters, will provide the music. Come enjoy an afternoon of fellowship together with women in our area. Tickets are \$5. For reservations, please contact Peg Dohrer at 605-949-0311 or pldohrer@itcmilbank.com.



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Sharon Hyde in memory of Gary Hyde
Robert Yaeger family in memory of Gretta Yaeger
Tim and Sue DeJong and their family in memory of Lawrence and
Margaret DeJong and Chuck and Marion Scheff
Karen Kiefer in memory of Jim Kiefer and Sophie Langbehn
Sandy Christensen in memory of her father Robert Cudmore who
passed away six years ago
Kyle, Melanie, and Claire Schwandt in memory of Ivan and Margaret
Jorgenson
Steve and Vicki Strege in memory of Leonard and Eleanor Wiesner,
JJ and Darlene Eide, and Reid Strege
Howard and Marcia Heinje in memory of Marcia's brother Lester Crago,
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Thank you to everyone who have shared their Easter flowers with us
today. Feel free to take your flowers home after worship today.



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