

9:00 WORSHIP
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 30, 2026

Prelude
Announcements
Children’s Message
Please Stand

“Jesus Loves Me” vs. 1

RED 555

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

“Here I Am, Lord”

BOB 86

Greeting and Response—Psalm 26
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: Vindicate me, O Lord,
C: for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.
P: Prove me, O Lord, and try me;
C: test my heart and my mind.
P: For your steadfast love is before my eyes,
C: and I walk in your faithfulness.
P: I do not sit with men of falsehood,
C: nor do I consort with hypocrites.
P: I hate the assembly of evildoers,
C: and I will not sit with the wicked.
P: I wash my hands in innocence
C: and go around your altar, O Lord,
P: proclaiming thanksgiving aloud,
C: and telling all your wondrous deeds.
P: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house

C: and the place where your glory dwells.
P: Do not sweep my soul away with sinners,
C: nor my life with bloodthirsty men,
P: in whose hands are evil devices,
C: and whose right hands are full of bribes.
P: But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity;
C: redeem me, and be gracious to me.
P: My foot stands on level ground;
C: in the great assembly I will bless the Lord.

Prayer of the Day: “God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord.” Amen

Praise Song

“Goodness of God”

First Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21
O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? Therefore thus says the Lord: “If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

Second Reading: Romans 12:9-21
Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Please Stand
Verse

“Spirit of the Living God”

BOB 201

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *“I Love Your Kingdom, Lord”* LBW 368

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed LBW p. 65

Offering Hymn	<i>“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>	LBW 564
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Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer LBW p. 71

Please Stand

Benediction	<i>“The Blessing”</i>
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Closing Hymn *“Onward, Christian Soldiers”* LBW 509

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

C: Here am I, send me!

Pianist: Vicki Strege

Lector: Adam/Alex McMahon

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*** Community FYI ***

Community Bible Study, an interdenominational Bible study, will be starting at Valley Baptist, 409 West Sixth Avenue, Milbank, on Monday, September 14, at 7 p.m. with both online and in-person groups also held other days of the week. This year Ephesians, Colossians, 1 Peter, and 2 Peter will be studied. You can register on line at milbankeve.cbclass.org or call Darrel Kessler at 605-380-4515 or Joyleen O' Farrell at 605-949-0854.

Living Word's Calendar

SUNDAY (today)	9:00	Worship
	10:00	Coffee Fellowship
THURSDAY (9/3)	9:00	Community Coffee Fellowship
SUNDAY (9/6)	9:00	Worship/Communion
	10:00	Coffee Fellowship

Announcements

Prayers for Myles Maas, Bob Hornstein, Jon Liebe, Bob Johnson, Heather Zimny, Heather Dorsey, Marshall Voeltz, Hailey Heinje, Sandy Christensen, and Rochelle Reede.

Flowers at the altar today are given by Don and Carol Weber in honor of their 63rd wedding anniversary, which is on August 31.

“What About Me” Study will not be meeting Sept. 1 and 8. The Study will resume on Sept. 15.

Upcoming Bible Studies will be starting soon. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

- 1) James (5 weeks) - Begins Sept. 16, 1 p.m.
- 2) “Esther” by Kelly Minter - Begins Sept. 13, 9 a.m.
- 3) “Experiencing God” by Henry Blackaby (12 weeks) - Begins Sept. 10, noon

"Gal Pals" - Once a month, a social event will be offered. Women can sign up every time or when it works for them. We will gather input each time from the group before planning the following month's event. Please contact the church office if you are interested in attending. **First Event:** Thursday, Sept. 10, Shady Beach, Dinner 5:30 p.m.

New Member Sunday will be September 13. If you are interested in becoming a member of Living Word, please contact Pastor Melanie or the church office.

A Prayer Team has been established and met a few times. If interested, please contact the church office.

Network for Children in Sierra Leone is the August mission project of the women of the church. Their needs include pens/pencils; crayons; loose-leaf, lined paper; jump ropes; tennis balls; and money for food and misc. items. Donated items can be placed in the baskets in the fellowship hall. Monetary donations can be placed in the box near the church office.

“Women’s Connection” will be held at Central Church, Milbank, on Sept. 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Tickets: \$5.

Speaker - Janie Krohn, Yankton, “Finding the Magnificent in the Mundane”

Special Feature - StoneCroft “Silent Auction”

Music - Vicki Strege

Reservations: contact Peg Dohrer (605) 949-0311 or pldohrer@itcmilbank.com.



Mark Your Calendars

- September 13** **Rally Sunday/New Member Sunday**
September 19 **Women of the Word (WOW) Fall Gathering**
Resurrection Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN
Keynote Speaker: Rev. Julie Smith
9 a.m., Cost \$25
Registration Deadline: September 7
- October 4-7** **LCMC Annual Gathering**
Lutheran Church of Hope, West Des Moines, IA
Registration Deadline: September 10.
- October 4** **MADE Men Fall Cookout**
Schmidt's Landing, 3-7 p.m.



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 August will go to Building Our Families. This organization functions as a community hub that links families to the support they need. Rather than creating new systems, they connect and strengthen existing ones. They help families access services, stay engaged, and move between programs without falling through the cracks. This coordinated approach improves outcomes for families while reducing the strain on emergency, healthcare, and child welfare systems. The total collected to date is \$625.03



Servant Team

September Servant Team. Servant teams help usher, greet, furnish and/or serve during coffee fellowship time, help with weddings if scheduled, and help and/or furnish for funerals that may occur. 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)

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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, and Rita Raffety

Avantara: Lane Lindquist

Fairway View-Granite View: Bob Hornstein