

9:00 WORSHIP
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 9, 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

“Oh, Worship the King” vs. 1,3-5

LBW 548

Greeting and Response—Psalm 18

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: I love you, O Lord, my strength.

C: The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,

P: my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,

C: my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

P: I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,

C: and I am saved from my enemies.

P: The cords of death encompassed me;

C: the torrents of destruction assailed me;

P: the cords of Sheol entangled me;

C: the snares of death confronted me.

C: to my God I cried for help.

P: From his temple he heard my voice,

C: and my cry to him reached his ears.

Prayer of the Day: *“Gracious Father, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world. Give us this bread, that he may live in us and we in him, Jesus Christ our Lord.” Amen*

Praise Song

Children's Message

“Seek Ye First”

***“Feed My Lambs”* chorus only**

BOB 55

First Reading: Job 38:4-18

“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? “Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’? “Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. “Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

Second Reading: Romans 10:5-17

For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Please Stand

Verse

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

WOV 612

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to Matthew, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn *“I Love to Tell the Story”* LBW 390

Apostles' Creed LBW p. 65

Offering Hymn	<i>“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>	LBW 564
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Lord's Prayer LBW p. 71

Closing Hymn *“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”* LBW 467

P: The Lord asks, “Whom shall I send?”
C: Here am I, send me!

Pianist: Kristi Seehafer
Lector: Gene Vostad

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*** Community FYI ***

The Visiting Neighbor Program is designed to assist the elderly and disabled of Grant County. Services include assistance with personal care, laundry, and light housekeeping duties which gives residents the ability to remain independent in their homes. If you would like to learn more about the program or are in need of assistance, please contact coordinator Marie Loutsch 605-949-0510. Memorials may be sent to the Visiting Neighbor Program in care of the Grant County Treasurer, 210 E. 5th Ave., Milbank, SD 57252.

Living Word's Calendar

SUNDAY (today)	9:00	Worship
	10:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Chapel Communion
TUESDAY (8/11)	2:30	Vespers
	9:00	Quilting
	11:00	"What About Me" Study
WEDNESDAY (8/12)	5:30	Council Meeting
THURSDAY (8/13)	9:00	Community Coffee Fellowship/Central Church as Guests
	9:00	Worship/Dedication/ Blessing of the Backpacks
SUNDAY (8/16)	10:00	Potluck Brunch
	10:00	September Servant Team Meets



Announcements

Prayers for Myles Maas, Bob Hornstein, Jon Liebe, Bob Johnson, Heather Zimny, Heather Dorsey, Marshall Voeltz, Arianne Fink, and Hailey Heinje.

Radio broadcast is sponsored today by Susan Hippen.

Upcoming Bible Studies will start the week of Sept. 7. Sign up in the fellowship hall if you are interested in any of these opportunities. Registration deadline: Aug. 19.

- 1) Romans (15 weeks)
- 2) James (5 weeks)
- 3) "Experiencing God" by Henry Blackaby (12 weeks)

"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. Sign up in the fellowship hall if you are interested in attending. **First Event:** Thursday, Sept. 10, Shady Beach, Dinner 5:30 p.m.

"Women's Connection" will be held at Central Church, Milbank, on August 18 at 1:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Tickets: \$5.

Speaker - Paula Zukowski, Shoreview, MN "A Real Fixer-Upper"

Special Feature - Laura Stahl - homemade soap making

Music - Shirone Spolar

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

Prayer Team of a small group of people to pray in person on a regular basis) is being formed. 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.



Mark Your Calendars

- August 22** **MADE Men, MHS Theater, 10 a.m.**
Speaker: Tom Henderson, founder of RESGEN
- 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.



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 help 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 \$84.76.



Noisy Change collected in the month of July for the Gospel House Kids Orphan Ministry in Vietnam totaled \$726.87.

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