10:00 WORSHIP
REFORMATION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25, 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 ***"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*** LBW 229

Greeting and Response--Psalm 46
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: God is our refuge and strength,
C: a very present help in trouble.
P: Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way,
C: though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
P: though its waters roar and foam,
C: though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
P: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
C: the holy habitation of the Most High.
P: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
C: God will help her when morning dawns.
P: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
C: he utters his voice, the earth melts.
P: The Lord of hosts is with us;
C: the God of Jacob is our fortress.
P: Come, behold the works of the Lord,
C: how he has brought desolations on the earth.
P: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
C: he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.
P: "Be still, and know that I am God.
C: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
P: The Lord of hosts is with us;
C: the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Prayer of the Day: ***"Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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 ***"Majesty"*** BOB 154
Children's Message ***"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"*** vs. 1
Special Music

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7
Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28
Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

Please Stand
Verse ***"Ancient Words"***

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to John, the 8th chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?” Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

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

Sermon

Sermon Hymn	***“The Church’s One Foundation”*** vs. 1,2,4,5	LBW 369

Please Stand

Apostles’ Creed		LBW p. 65
Offering Hymn	***“We Give Thee but Thine Own”*** vs. 1,2	LBW 410

Prayers of the Church

Lord’s Prayer		LBW p. 71

Please Stand

Benediction

Closing Hymn	***“Lift High the Cross”***	LBW 377

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

Pianist: Bob Frink
Lector: Dave Hystad

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Community

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 at 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)	8:45	Sunday School
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Worship
TUESDAY (10/27)	9:00	Quilting
WEDNESDAY (10/28)	3:30	Confirmation
	3:30	Dynamic Disciples
	5:00	LIFT
THURSDAY (10/29)	9:00	Community Coffee Fellowship
	1:30	Prayer Team Meets
	4:00	Gal Pals
SUNDAY (11/1)	**All Saints' Sunday**	
	8:45	Sunday School
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Worship/Communion

Announcements

Prayers for Myles Maas, Jon Liebe, Bob Johnson, Heather Zimny, Marshall Voeltz, Hailey Heinje, Sandy Peeke, Garrett Rehn, Mary Peterson, Collis Dahle, and Jeanne Anderson.

Non-food items for the Grant County ICAP office (food pantry) is the October mission project of the women of the church. Donated items can be placed in the baskets located in the fellowship hall.

Gal Pals "Crafting and Dinner" will take place on Thursday, October 29, starting at 4 p.m. More information is on the signup sheet in the fellowship hall. The cost of the craft is $25; dinner will be at your own expense.

Altar Guild will meet on Sunday, November 8, at 9 a.m. A short meeting as well as signing up for 2027 duties is planned. New members are welcome to attend.

Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 15, following the church service. All reports are due to the church office by Monday, November 2.



Notice the banner on the wall to the right of the altar?
The dove is the most familiar symbol of the Holy Spirit. On Reformation Sunday, the color red symbolizes the blood shed by the martyrs of the church.



The color red is also used on the paraments, the decorative cloths placed on and around the altar and pulpit, on Reformation Sunday.

Mark Your Calendars

November 1	**All Saints' Sunday - Daylight Savings Time Ends. Set clocks back one hour.**
November 11	**Veterans Day**
November 15	**Annual Meeting**
November 26	**Thanksgiving Day**
November 26 - 27	**Church/Office Closed**
November 29	**Advent Starts**
December 12	**St. Lucia Breakfast, 9:30 a.m.**
December 13	**Youth Christmas Program**



Radio Broadcast

Prayerfully consider sponsoring a Radio Broadcast of our church service on KMSD Sunday mornings at 8:00 a.m. 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 October is designated for the Gospel House Orphanage in Vietnam to purchase Christmas gifts for the children. The four "Gospel houses" are the unofficial foster homes where about 40 rescued children live who are not able to be raised by their birth moms. The orphanages have grown out of the passionate prolife work of the staff leader, Dr. Hang. The total collected to date is $962.



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)

**Co-chairs
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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: Lil Colberg and Rita Raffety
Avantara: Lane Lindquist
Park Place: Ken Kunde
Peaceful Pines: Sue Hippen