

9:00 WORSHIP
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 17, 2017

Prelude

Announcements

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Opening Hymn

“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”

LBW 424

Psalm 23

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: The Lord is my shepherd;

C: I shall not be in want

P: He makes me lie down in green pastures

C: and leads me beside still waters.

P: He revives my soul

C: and guides me along right pathways for his name’s sake.

P: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

C: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P: You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

C: you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

P: Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Prayer of the Day *“O Lord, keep your church, we pray, in your perpetual mercy and, because the frailty of our nature cannot but fail without you, keep us from all things harmful, and lead us to all things helpful for our salvation; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.” Amen.*

Song of Response

“You Are My Hiding Place”

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First Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.” So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this command before he died: ‘Say to Joseph, ‘Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.’” And now, please forgive the transgression of the

servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Second Reading: Romans 14:1-12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master^[a] that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.” So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

Verse

“Ancient Words”

Insert

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mer-

cy on you?' And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Children's Sermon

Kay Groethe

Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles

Installation of Sunday School Teachers

Sermon

Sermon Hymn/Offering

"Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

LBW 307(words)

LBW 35 (tune)

Offertory

"Make Me a Servant"

Insert

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn

"Because He Lives"

Insert

Pianist Vicki Strege

Lector Ardell Nelson

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Gloria Cooley in memory of Rueben Aden's birthday on September 15th.

Flowers on the altar are given in honor of Harold & Bev Zeigler's 57th Wedding Anniversary and Roger & Tammy Christensen's 1st Wedding Anniversary.

Prayers for Dick Forster, Darlene Eide, Rosella Naeve, Susan Vostad, Tom Kiefer (Jim Kiefer's brother), Tim Ramsey, Ardell Nelson, Helen Dahle, Roy Boone (Dennis & Joanne Schmig's son), Lester Schimmel, (Orgene & Karen McCrea's brother in law), Nancy Collins (Dan Kalber's sister), Nancy Weber, Jersey Peschong, Marvel Black, Bella Rademacher (4 yr old daughter of Travis & Tabitha Rademacher), Ruth Modin, Vicky Hedge, Pastor Jim Hulberg, Sandy Wood, Chris Nelson, Bob Crist, Pastor Jean Marc, Berdette Bryngelson.

Visitors please sign our guest book located in the fellowship hall. Thank you for worshipping with us at Living Word Lutheran Church. We hope your worship experience is a blessing.

"May the Lord bless you and keep you." Numbers 6:24

**In case of an emergency call
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TODAY	8:45	Sunday School
	8:45	Adult Education - Pastor Kent - “A Closer Look at Islam”
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	9:00	Servant Team meets
	10:00	Worship
	6:30	Diabetes Support Group
MONDAY	5:30	CBS Leaders
	7:00	Community Bible Study
TUESDAY	7:30	Dawn Circle meets at the church
	9:00	Faith Circle meets at the church
	9:00	Mary/Martha Circle meets at the church
	7:00	Sr. High Youth Group
	7:30	Love Circle meets at the church
WEDNESDAY	9:00	Searcher’s Bible study
	3:30 - 5:30	Confirmation/Jr. High Youth Group
THURSDAY	9:00	Community Coffee Fellowship - Open to the Public
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God’s Blessings to the 3rd Graders who will be receiving their Bibles today: Drew Anderson, Tyler Heinje and Tayton Reede.

Dear Friends,

We know your prayers, along with many others, were life-saving. Thank you all. Dick was told he only had 1 week to live if he had no treatment, for just diagnose lymphoma, several weeks ago. God is good! Please keep praying. Bless you! Dick and Carol Forster

Pastor Kent has challenged the congregation to read the Bible books John thru Jude before January 1st. If you would like to take the challenge sign up sheet is on the table in the fellowship hall.

The Mission Project for our Living Word Women’s organization in September is **Non Food** Items for the Grant County Food Pantry. Some examples would be personal care items, paper products, soaps, etc. Anyone who wishes to contribute may drop off items at the church or take them to the Court House.

Sign up sheets for Flowers on the altar and/or sponsor the Radio Broadcast are on the table in the fellowship hall. Prayerfully consider sponsoring a **Radio Broadcast** of our church service on KMSD. The service is broadcast on KMSD at 8:00 AM on Sunday mornings. The cost for Radio Broadcast is \$65.

Would you be interested in making Chrismons for the church Christmas tree? If you are interested in helping, there is a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall.

Living Word Lutheran Church shut ins would welcome a visit or phone call.

St. William's Care Center: Ruth Modin, Lois Helm - 204,

Phyllis Murphy - 223

Golden Living Care Center: Marvel Black, Evy Berg - 106, Clarice Durbin - 310, Darlene Eide

Park Place: Frank Brown - 206, Pat Johnson—307, Curt & Elaine Hallberg - 310, Marlene Storm, Chris Nelson , Janice Johnson - 313, and Luvilla Weber - 324, Ruth Malkerson - 317

Clara Pederson - 520 Friendship Circle #A3

Betty Nordquist - 1520 3rd Ave SW, Willow Creek #9, Watertown, SD -
605-878-2344

Rosie Naeve - #4 Lantern Townhouse LN

Ken and Kay Strandvold - 1103 Washington Drive

Ken and Fran Kunde—702 S 1st St

The 2017 South Dakota **Right to Life Convention** is being held on September 23 at Abbey of the Hills. Keynote speaker will be Brian Johnston along with several local speakers. The deadline for registration is September 18. Registration forms are available in the Fellowship Hall.

As of August 31, 2017, LWLC's financial information was as follows:

General Fund YTD Income: \$130,480.15

General Fund YTD Expenses: \$106,165.06

General Fund Income for August: \$15,194.71

General Fund Expenses for July: \$25,237.30

General Fund Checking Account Balance: \$162,263.30

Dedicated Checking Account Balance: \$17,098.29

Building Fund Balance: \$6,329.60

Loan Balance: \$92,635.46

Living Word Lutheran Church Sunday School Teachers
2017-2018

Sunday School Coordinator: Susan Sime
Kindergarten: Tina and Devon Balling
1st & 2nd Grade: Lori Dockter/Lori Kasuske
3rd Grade: Marcia Heinje
4th Grade: Sue DeJong/Vicki Strege
5th Grade: Shirley Zahn/Brian Sandvig
6th-7th -8th Grades: Linda Anderson
High School & Adult - Pastor Kent

Substitutes:

David Kruger
Jen Anderson
Heidi Meister
Lisa Aker
Mary Kinder

Music

Kay Groethe

Sunday's Schedule:

8:45 am -9:30 Sunday School begins in classrooms with Attendance, Story and Worksheets, etc. 9:30-9:45
9:45 Kids are dismissed to parents

Special Dates:

September 17th : 1st Day of Sunday School
November 26th : No Sunday School/ Thanksgiving Weekend
December 16th : Christmas Program Practice
December 17th : Christmas Program
December 24th & 31st : No Sunday School / Christmas Break
January 7th : Sunday School back in Session in 2017
April 8th : No Sunday School / Easter Sunday
May 19th : Last day of Sunday School

“Make Me A Servant”

Make me a servant humble and meek
Lord let me lift up those who are weak
And may the prayer of my heart always be
Make me a servant make me a servant
Make me a servant today

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CCLI Song # 33131

“You Are My Hiding Place”

You are my hiding place,
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance,
whenever I am afraid I will trust in You,
I will trust in You, let the weak say,
“I am strong in the strength of the Lord.”

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“I am strong in the strength of the Lord, I will trust in You.”

“Ancient Words”

Verse 1

Holy words long preserved
For our walk in this world
They resound with God's own heart
O let the ancient words impart

Chorus

Ancient words ever true
Changing me changing you
We have come with open hearts
O let the ancient words impart

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O let the ancient words impart
O let the ancient words impart

CCLI Song # 2986399

“Because He Lives”

Verse 1

God sent his son,
they called him Jesus;
He came to love,
Heal, and forgive;
He lived and died
to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my
Savior lives.

Refrain

Because he lives
I can face tomorrow;
Because he lives
all fear is gone;
Because I know
he holds the future,
And life is worth the living just be-
cause he lives.

Verse 2

How sweet to hold
a newborn baby,
And fell the pride,
and joy he gives;
But greater still
the calm assurance,
This child can face uncertain days
because he lives.

Refrain

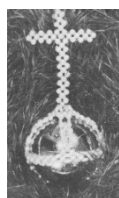
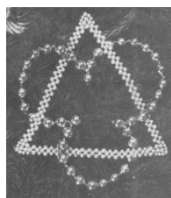
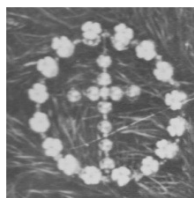
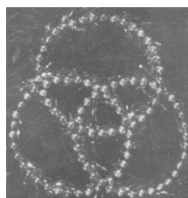
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Verse 3

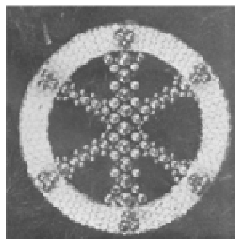
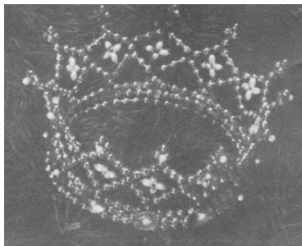
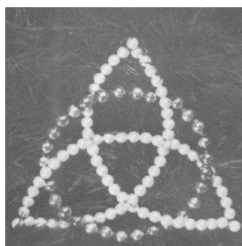
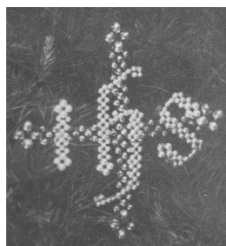
And then one day
I'll cross the river;
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death
gives way to vict'ry.
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll
know he lives.

Refrain

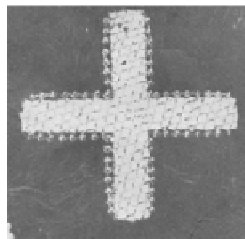
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LOOKING FOR INTERESTED
ADULTS OR YOUTH
WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE CHRISMONS
TO DECORATE
THE CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE
PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEET
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL



Chrismons speak
of Our
Lord Jesus Christ



If there is interest we will have group work sessions as well as make kits and directions available so you can work on the projects at home.

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