

10:00 WORSHIP  
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 5, 2024

**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 Shall Reign”*

LBW 530

**Greeting and Response—Psalm 98**

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: Oh sing to the LORD a new song,

**C: for he has done marvelous things!**

P: His right hand and his holy arm

**C: have worked salvation for him.**

P: The LORD has made known his salvation;

**C: he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

P: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

**C: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

**C: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

P: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

**C: with the lyre and the sound of melody!**

P: With trumpets and the sound of the horn

**C: make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!**

P: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

**C: the world and those who dwell in it!**

P: Let the rivers clap their hands;

**C: let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD,**

P: for he comes to judge the earth.

**C: He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.**

**Prayer of the Day** *“O God, from whom all good things come: Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to think those things which are right, and by your goodness help us to do them; 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**

*“Our God Reigns”* vs. 1,2,3,5

**Children’s Message**

*“Feed My Lambs”* chorus only

BOB 55

**First Reading: Acts 10:34-48**

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.” While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

**Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-8**

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.



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## Living Word's Calendar

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TODAY (5/5) 9:00 Sunday School  
9:00 Coffee Fellowship  
10:00 Worship/Communion

WEDNESDAY 1:30 Impact  
3:30 Last day of Confirmation  
3:30 Last day of Dynamic Disciples  
4-5 Feeding South Dakota  
7:00 Council

THURSDAY 9:00 Community Coffee Fellowship

SUNDAY MOTHER'S DAY/SENIOR RECOGNITION  
9:00 Sunday School  
9:00 Coffee Fellowship  
10:00 Worship/Noisy Change to Alpha Center  
11:00 Chapel Communion  
6:00 Baccalaureate

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## Announcements

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**Prayers** for Shirley Kindt, Dave Hepper, Kelly Peterson, Bruce Larson, Rita Dahle's great-grandson, Dax, Tom Dorry, Kelsey Little (Jamie & Hope Pekelder's niece), Brad Zahn.

**Radio Broadcast** is sponsored by Susan Hippen in honor of her great-grandchildren.

**Sympathy and Prayers** to Lenore Kalber and family on the death of Dan. Dan passed away on April 30.

**Mark your calendar for May 19 as pastoral candidate, Pastor Ritchie Cole** will be visiting our church and community. He will preach the sermon that Sunday morning. A pot luck dinner will follow the service so Pastor Ritchie and his wife can get to know the congregation better. The call committee is organizing activities along with conducting an interview with him on Saturday.

Pastor Ritchie and his wife are from Oshkosh Wisconsin and has been serving Zion Lutheran Church as Associate Minister since 2011 along with General manager of Jericho Road, a 501c3 owned by Zion Lutheran Church. He supervised a childcare center; food pantry; senior apartment housing; thrift store; jail ministry; Freedom in Christ Ministry. The call committee is excited to get to know Pastor Ritchie better this weekend as we seek the Holy Spirits guidance as we consider Pastor Ritchie as our next Pastor. Please pray for the call committee and Pastor Ritchie. Living Word Call Committee.



## Mark your calendars

**May 12—Mother’s Day/Senior Recognition**

**May 19—Pastoral candidate Pastor Ritchie Cole visits/potluck**

**May 26—Summer Worship Begins—9:00 Worship, 10:00 Coffee**

I would like to invite the congregation to my **Graduation Open House**. It will be at the church on May 18th from 6-8pm. Everyone is welcome!  
Gabe Beckman



## 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 radio broadcast and/or providing flowers are on the table in the fellowship hall.

## Noisy Change

The **Noisy Change Offerings for April** will be collected for the Vacation Bible School which is June 23-27. The **April 14 Noisy Change Offering** was \$119.37 making the total for the month of April **\$1,080.07**.

**May’s Noisy Change** will go to Restore International, Inc.

**“Women’s Connection”**, an affiliate of Stonecroft Ministries, meeting will be held at Central Church, Milbank, SD on Tuesday May 21, 2024 at 1:30 – 3:00 P.M, in the church fellowship hall.

Tickets: \$5.00 – Light dessert will be served.

Speaker— Mary Roelofs, of Princeton, MN

“No Matter What”

Special Feature — Norma Kruger

“Beautiful Spring Flowers”

Music - Diane Stewart - Flutist

Sheila Dailie - Accompanist

Come enjoy an afternoon of fellowship together with women in our area.

For reservations: please contact:

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## Servant Team

**June Servant Team** will meet **Sunday, May 19** during Coffee Fellowship at 9:00. **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 at least one area 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.**

*“When a person trusts Jesus Christ for salvation, he or she is made a member of the body of Christ” (1 Corinthians 12:27)*

### \*\* Co-chairs

Christensen, Sandy

Cooley, Gloria

Cramer, Zach & Emily

Dockter, Randy & Lori

Dorry, Tom & Terie

Hepper, David & Mary

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Leininger, Scott & Jean

Meister, Aaron & Teresa

Rehn, Arnold & Donna

Seehafer, Phil & Kristi

Ziegler, Harold & Beverly



## Visitors

**Welcome 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. 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:** Lois Helm, Betty Kloster, Marilyn Stemsrud, Rita Raffety

**Avantara:** Elaine Hallberg, Lane Lindquist

**Wellshire Park Place:** Carol Forster

**Darcie’s Home Care:** 1405 Highview Dr—Ann Sandbakken

**In her home:** Orlean Lardy