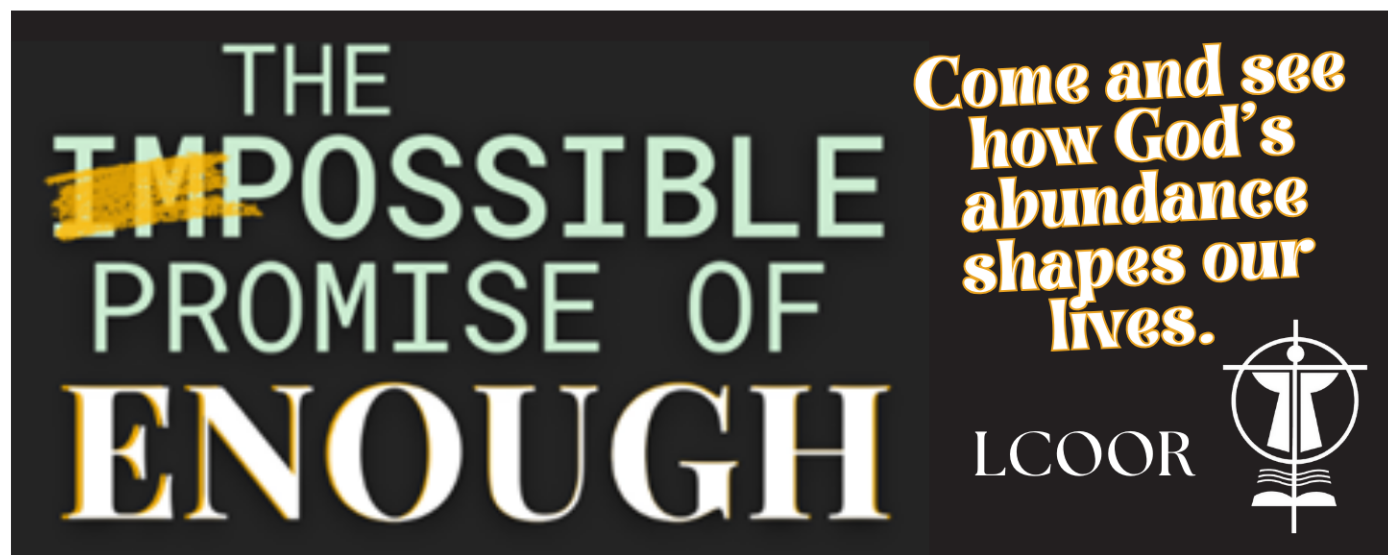


Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

The Latest Word

October 2025

“Making God Known Through Word and Deed.”



THE
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PROMISE OF
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Come and see
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abundance
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lives.

LCOOR

Stewardship Campaign 2026

God's promises are at the heart of Scripture, yet we often live in the in-between—waiting, hoping, and trusting in God's abundance. Explore how God's promise challenges our ideas of scarcity and reveals true abundance.

- **Impossible Promise of Provision**
October 18, 19, 22
- **Impossible Promise of Resources**
October 25, 26, 29
- **Impossible Promise of Rest**
November 1, 2, 5
- **Impossible Promise of Enough**
November 8, 9, 12
- **Impossible Promise of Liberation**
November 15, 16, 19

Join us for worship and conversation as we explore God's promises together.

Ladies' Night Out - Monday, November 10

The LCOOR Fellowship Committee will host another fantastic Ladies' Night Out on **Monday, November 10th with doors opening at 6 p.m. and the event beginning at 6:30 p.m.**

The annual event provides a memorable night of fellowship, delectable desserts and entertainment from Dave Nerdig.

Tickets are \$15 and are available in the church office and at the Welcome Center. This year, you also have the option to reserve a table for \$120 with table reservations open October 1st - 30th. We look forward to having you join us for an evening of laughter and fellowship!

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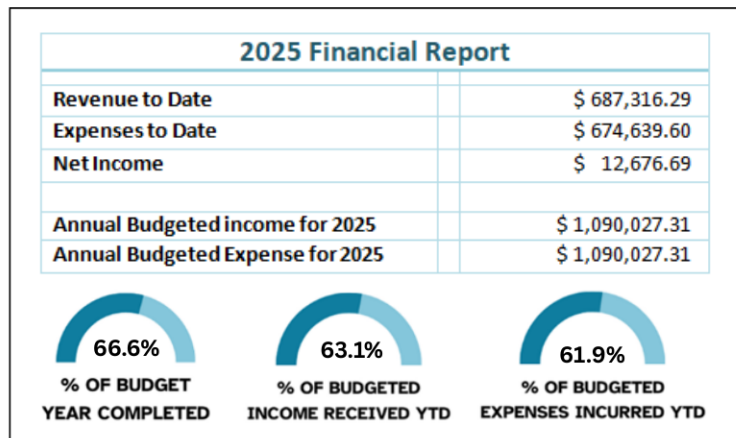
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August Mission of the Month Update

St. Dysmas

- This ministry received **\$1,763.94** through Special Offering received, the Noisy Can and Budgeted Funds.

Special Gifts and Memorials Received

Befriender Ministry

- In memory of Pastor Sam Hatlestad from Milt & Chris Carter



Mission & Endowment Grant Applications Now Open!



The Mission & Endowment Committee at LCOOR is excited to invite groups to apply for grant funding to support special ministry projects.

- Application forms are available in the **Church Office** and at the **Welcome Center**.

 **Deadline to apply:** Friday, November 7 at **12:00 Noon**.

Don't miss this opportunity to help bring new ministry ideas to life!

Thrivent Choice Dollars Received in September



- \$34 for Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer
- \$89 for LCOOR Preschool

Thank you Tony Beyer, Gary Eide, Wendy Olson and Jodi Spilde.

October Mission of the Month – Salvation Army One Roof Project

The One Roof Project is an assistance program established by The Salvation Army to centralize services that are often fragmented, making it easier for people facing complex challenges—such as homelessness, financial crisis, unemployment, health issues, or utility shutoffs—to access help in one place. Instead of navigating multiple agencies, clients come to a single location or contact point and receive holistic, wrap-around support.

The Salvation Army's One Roof Project offers more than emergency help—it offers a path forward. By bringing multiple services together, it reduces the burden on those already facing tremendous challenges. The model shows that when communities invest in coordinated, compassionate assistance, they not only meet urgent needs—they help people rebuild stability, hope, and dignity. **Please consider making a special gift-above and beyond your regular offering-to support the mission of this community resource.**



RaiseRight™

Turn your everyday shopping into support for our Preschool! With gift cards, fundraising has never been easier—it fits right into your lifestyle. **Here's how it works:** we buy gift cards at a discount and sell them to you at face value. When you use them for your regular shopping, the Preschool earns money—sometimes up to 20%!

We keep a variety of cards on hand, including Hy-Vee, Walmart, Wendy's, Buffalo Wild Wings, and Menards. Stop by the Welcome Center before or after worship, or visit the church office during the week, to see what's available.

LCOOR News & Events



Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

We need YOU in the Praise and Rejoice Choir! This is the perfect time to try the choir out to see if it is for you. Text Kristy Tostenson at (605) 949-1372 for more information. **During the month of October, the choir will rehearse on Sunday, October 5 and Sunday, October 26 in the chapel following worship.**



All Ages Invited to Harvest Fest

All ages are invited to join us for **Harvest Fest on Wednesday, October 8 beginning at 5 p.m.** We will have live entertainment by Jaded (6 p.m. start), food from BBQ Pitstop available for purchase, free snacks, carnival games and an inflatable obstacle course! We are still in need of a variety of volunteers to help with this event. To sign up to volunteer or to bake for our cake walk, visit our website at www.lcoorwatertown.org, click the 'Serve' tab on the main menu and find the Harvest Fest Volunteer Sign-up or Harvest Fest Cake Walk Sign-up. We ask that volunteers wear a flannel shirt or a costume so that volunteers will be easy to pick out of the crowd! Thank you! **Please note that there will be no worship service or other activities on October 8.**



Calling All Crafters, Vendors and Shoppers!

Join us for our Fall Market – Craft and Vendor Fair at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer in Watertown, SD! This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your handmade goods, unique products, or small business offerings just in time for the holiday season.

To sign up as a vendor, visit our website at www.lcoorwatertown.org, click the 'Serve' tab on the main menu and find the Fall Market Vendor Sign-up or scan the QR code.



Once you've signed up, we'll reach out to you via email to collect payment. You can choose to pay online or send/drop off your payment at the church office:

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer
2001 2nd St. NW
Watertown, SD 57201

Vendor Setup Times:

- Friday, November 21 | 6:00 – 9:00 PM
- Saturday, November 22 | 6:45 – 8:45 AM

Spots are limited, so be sure to sign up early! We look forward to a great day of community, creativity, and connection.

Shoppers: mark your calendars, call your friends and we look forward to seeing you on Saturday, November 22 from 9am-3pm.

LCOOR News & Events

Circle Bible Study

Priscilla and Martha Circles will meet in October. They will be focusing on the Bible study in the Gather magazine. Copies of the study can be found at the Welcome Center or in the church office. All are welcome to attend either study!

- Priscilla Circle will meet at **9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct 8th**, in the Gathering Space.
- Martha Circle will meet at **2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20th**, in the Gathering Space.



October Book Club

The LCOOR Book Club will meet **Thursday, October 23 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Youth Room. The book for October will be *When Crickets Cry* by Charles Martin.

Diamond Dinner Attendees

If you attended LCOOR's 75+ Diamond Dinner on Saturday, September 6, please see Karri Willhite in the church office or at the Welcome Center to pick up your gift. Due to shipping delays, we were unable to hand these gifts out at the time of the event.



Redeemer's Kitchen - October 19

Overwhelmed? Busy? Or maybe you're just tired of the same thing every night for supper? We can help! **Redeemer's Kitchen will meet the 3rd Sunday of each month beginning after the 9:30 a.m. worship** to prep seven freezer meals.

October Menu:

- Coconut Curry
- Shrimp Stir Fry
- Stuffed Bell Pepper Soup
- Chicken Enchilada Soup
- Cauliflower Pizza Bake
- Cilantro Lime Chicken with Rice
- Sausage Pesto Bake
- Peanut Butter Cookies

YUM!

More information, including pricing and sign-up are available at the Welcome Center or by contacting Karri in the church office at karri@lcoorwatertown.org or (605) 886-2696.

Church Directories are HERE!

Our new church photo directories have arrived and are ready for pick up at the Welcome Center! If you had a photo taken or submitted a photo, please stop by and collect your copy from the designated boxes. A limited number of extra directories are also available, free of charge, on a first-come, first-served basis for those who did not have a photo included.



Faith Formation & Youth Updates

Church School & Confirmation Schedule Reminders

- **Church School** is Sunday at 8:45 a.m. and Wednesday at 5:45 p.m.
- **Confirmation** is Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

There will be no church school Wednesday, Oct. 8 and Sunday, Oct. 12



Junction Youth Group

A youth Group for **1st – 4th grade**. We will meet **Thursday, October 2 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** Join us for a bible verse, games, crafts, snacks and fellowship. Friends are always welcome!



Milestone: Kindergarten "What's Fair"

Kindergarteners and their parents will learn that the world is unfair at times but we can help our children with their disappointments and teach them to turn to God to deal with unfairness. **Parents and students please join us Sunday, Oct. 26 and Wednesday, Oct. 29 during church school** for this special milestone.

9-12 GRADE

Luther League

Luther League Youth Group

A youth group for **9th - 12th grade** will meet **every Wednesday immediately following church service**. Please join us for a variety of bible study, treats, games, service projects and fellowship.



Milestone: 4 Year Old Keys to Forgiveness & Spark Story Bible

4-year-olds will receive their Spark Story Bible on **Sunday, Oct. 19 and Wednesday, Oct. 22 during church school**. Students and their parents will learn the importance of saying 'I'm sorry' and hearing the words 'you are forgiven'. **Parents please attend this milestone with your child.**



Route 56 Youth Group

A youth Group for **5th & 6th grade**. We will meet **Thursday, October 16 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** Join us for a bible verse, games, crafts, snacks and fellowship. Friends are always welcome!

LCOOR Preschool



It's been a great first month of school and we're so excited to see what the rest of the school year has in store for us!! A big THANK YOU to all who have been so generous in purchasing items off our giving tree, it's greatly appreciated!!



Join us **Thursday, October 30th at 9:00 a.m.** in the Great Hall here at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer! Our LCOOR Preschoolers will be dressed up and ready celebrate the fun of Halloween! Those who are interested can bring candy to hand out for roughly 20 students. All are welcome to attend!



October Calendar

October 13

No School (Native American Day)

October 22

Chapel

October 30

Halloween Parade & Party (wear your costume!)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 8:30am Confirmation Workshop 8:45am Church School 9:30am New Members Received 9:30am Worship 10:30am Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal	29 8:00am Watertown Sandwich Ministry 11:00am Patricia Wicks Funeral 6:45pm AI-Anon	30 11:00am Area Pastor TEXT STUDY 1:00pm Staff Meeting	1 8:00am Watertown Sandwich Ministry 12:15pm Men's Lunch 5:00pm Community Meal 5:30pm Confirmation Workshop 5:45pm Church School 6:30pm New Members Received 6:30pm Worship 7:15pm Handbell Rehearsal 7:15pm Luther League (9-12 Grade)	2 9:00am Quilting 5:15pm AI-Anon 6:00pm Adult Bible Study with Pastor Dan 6:00pm Junction (for grades 1st to 4th)	3 Church Office Closes at Noon 8:00am Watertown Sandwich Ministry	4 3:00pm Tyler Johnson & Jaime Endres Wedding 5:30pm Worship with Holy Communion 6:30pm Saturday Evening Meal
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