



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

2001 2nd Street NW - Watertown, South Dakota

Email: office@lcoorwatertown.org Website: <https://lcoorwatertown.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/lcoor/> YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@LutheranChurchofOurRedeemer>



20th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday October 15, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Today we remember our mission. —————→ **We are making God known through word & deed.**

We gather together to ask God's blessing; —————→ **Blest be the tie that binds us together.**

We gather together to lift high our voices; —————→ **Blest be the song that brings life to our spirits.**

We gather together to praise God's holy name; —————→ **Blest be the God of grace and God of glory! Amen!**

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(Time of silence for reflection)*

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Opening Song

“What A Beautiful Name”

You were the Word at the beginning One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is What a beautiful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is Nothing compares to this What a beautiful Name it is The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is Nothing compares to this What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus What a wonderful Name it is The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You The veil tore before You You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring The praise of Your glory For You are raised to life again

You have no rival You have no equal Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is Nothing can stand against What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus

What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is The Name of Jesus

CCLI Song # 7068424 Ben Fielding | Brooke Ligertwood © 2016 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 631100

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray together. **Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Special Music

“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms” Arr. Jason W. Krug

Handbell Choir
Directed by: Bev Splinter

First Reading

Isaiah 25:1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Second Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Church

Gospel Acclamation

“Breathe”

This is the air I breathe This is the air I breathe Your holy presence living in me
This is my daily bread This is my daily bread Your very word spoken to me

(Chorus) And I I'm desperate for You And I I'm lost without You (x2)

This is the air I breathe This is the air I breathe

CCLI Song # 1874117 Marie Barnett © 1995 Mercy / Vineyard Publishing For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 631100

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:1-14

And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.’ But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.’ And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Overbo

Hymn of the Day

“O God Our Help in Ages Past”

#632 vs. 1-4

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home,
Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood or earth received its frame,
From everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer Song

“Lord Listen To Your Children”

Lord listen to Your children praying Lord send Your Spirit in this place

Lord listen to Your children praying Send us love send us pow'r send us grace

CCLI Song # 22829 Ken Medema Words: 1973 Hope Publishing Company; Music: 1973 Hope Publishing Company For use solely with the SongSelect® [Terms of Use](#). All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 631100

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: *Jessica Fischer, Ashlea West, Doug Schimmel, Avery West, Joyce Foster, Barb Papka, Kevin Stark, brother of Carol (Ron) Bergan, Verdelle Anderson,*

Death: *Dorothy Iverson- Mother of Rod (Nancy) Iverson & Grandmother of Mark (Alyssa) Iverson;*

Prayer Song

“Lord Listen To Your Children”

Lord listen to Your children praying Lord send Your Spirit in this place

Lord listen to Your children praying Send us love send us pow'r send us grace

CCLI Song # 22829 Ken Medema Words: 1973 Hope Publishing Company; Music: 1973 Hope Publishing Company For use solely with the SongSelect® [Terms of Use](#). All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 631100

Offering

Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew

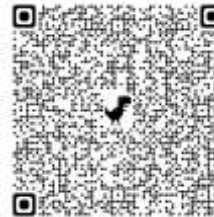
Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month:

Cameroon Partner Ministry

Special Offering

To provide Bibles in the Shona and Ndebele languages for people in Zimbabwe

Ndebele Bible costs \$15 each & Shona Bible costs \$20 each



Stewardship Moment

Offertory Response

“Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful”

#184

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Welcomed into your presence, O God

Invited to your banquet

We bring to you these gifts. Accept them as a response to your generosity.

They are wedding gifts

Given in anticipation of the great wedding feast of your Son.

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Communion

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

You have invited us to this banquet, O Christ

A banquet where the table is spread with your body... your blood.

Fill us with this rich food, O Christ.

Then we will be strengthened to invite everyone into your kingdom.

And give us eyes that see in this meal yet another banquet

A heavenly banquet... to which we have an invitation!

You are the Lord forevermore.

Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

The God of glory, † Jesus Christ,

name above all names,

and the Spirit who lives in you,

bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

“This Is Amazing Grace”

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness Whose love is mighty and so much stronger

The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder

The King of Glory the King above all kings

(Chorus) (Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace This is unfailing love

That You would take my place That You would bear my cross

You laid down Your life That I would be set free

Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order Who makes the orphan a son and daughter

The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance

The King of Glory the King above all kings (Chorus)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy worthy worthy oh! (Chorus)

CCLI Song # 6333821 Jeremy Riddle | Josh Farro | Phil Wickham © 2012 Phil Wickham Music; Seems Like Music; Sing My Songs; Bethel Music Publishing; WC Music Corp. For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 631100

Call to Service

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

Copyright © 2023 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS023757. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Serving This Morning

Preaching: Pastor Overbo; **Sound & Projection:** Pam Berg & Gannon Keever; **Worship Team;**
Blessing Assistants: Henley Kistler & Paisley Neale; **Lector:** Kaleb Bohling; **Ushers:** Eric Beutler & Buck
Crouse; **Communion Assistants:** Roger & Pat Crom, Christy Kallenberger, Kaleb Bohling; **Coffee**
Servers: Welcome Center: Nancy Rogers & Deb Ernst;

*Altar Flowers are given in honor of Kathy Scharn's
90th Birthday from her children and grandchildren.*

*Additional Altar Flowers are given in celebration of
Tim Riddle & Anita Richter's wedding on October 13, 2023.*



God uses money as a tool
to help us grow.

"Take care! Be on your
guard against all kinds of
greed; for one's life does not
consist in the abundance of
possessions".

Luke 12:15

*Notice: This worship service is livestreamed and shared on YouTube & LCOOR's Facebook page.

OCTOBER 15, 2023

HYMN OF THE WEEK

We've Come This Far by Faith

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Is there a friend or relative who thinks and acts similar to you? Explain.
- How does faith in Jesus guide and influence the way we live with others?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Philippians 4:1-9.

Two women who have worked side by side with Paul are urged to *"be of the same mind in the Lord"* (v. 2). Paul does not explain his specific concerns. They are co-workers in the gospel and need help from the community. What Paul urges is that they face whatever the issue may be with the mind, the attitude, of Christ. Paul describes the mind of Christ with words like rejoicing, prayer, and thanksgiving. All of this leads to the peace of God. In our own time, we in the church are co-workers, and yet we, too, need help to live together in peace. Paul's message leads us to pursue our issues with one another with truth, honor, justice, purity, excellence, and praise. Simply put, the gospel leads us to remember and pursue what is commendable for our life together, not on what divides us. Paul emphasizes that his words are worth thinking about again and again.

Discuss: How can reflecting on the mind of Christ help you receive the peace of God as you live with others in the church?

Pray: **God of peace, help us to see each other with the mind of Christ that we may live with one another in peace and with honor and justice for all through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week, in what ways can you show humility and gentleness toward others this week?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalms 23 is the shepherd David's song to God and one of the most well-known scriptures in the Bible. David likens how a shepherd cares for sheep to how God loves each one of us. Draw or make a sheep using cotton, cardboard, glue, and crayons/markers. Think or talk about ways a shepherd cares for sheep and then about how God cares for you.

Pray: **Lord, thank you for caring for me and leading me with love. Amen.**

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org



taking
faith
home

THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

New Member orientation is
Wednesday, October 25 at 5:15 p.m.

If you are interested in attending please contact
Twila in the church office at (805) 886-2696.
New Members will be recognized during
worship services on October 25, 28, & 29th.

"**SAY**
Cheese!"



STOP BY OUR
"PHOTO STUDIO" IN
THE GATHERING
SPACE TO UPDATE
YOUR PHOTO FOR
OUR ONLINE
DIRECTORY!

**God's Love Made Real:
A Conversation with Presiding Bishop Eaton**

October 17 | 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. CST

Registration is encouraged, but not required. This event will
take place on Zoom. This webinar is especially for people
who care about the ELCA and live in Minnesota, North
Dakota or South Dakota. Once you register, you will receive
the Zoom Meeting link.

Web address to register:

community.elca.org/gods-love-made-real-with-elca-presiding-bishop



**SALVATION ARMY
DONATIONS**

Canned Soups

As the weather cools down, let's help
replenish the shelves at the Salvation
Army Food Pantry with canned soups.
You may drop off your donations in
Kathy's Karts here at the church.
Thanks for your generosity!



**OCTOBER MISSION
OF THE MONTH**



Cameroon Partner Ministry
Mission of the Month dollars are
above and beyond your regular
giving. Please clearly mark your
offering with Mission of the
Month. Thank you!

**\$15 OCTOBER
CRAFT NIGHT**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

Join us in the Gathering Space
at 6:30 p.m. to make your
own wooden scarecrow!

Sign up at the Welcome Center.



**We Need
Piano Players!**

To play with our Worship
Teams on Wednesday
Evenings & Sunday Mornings.



Contact Megan in the church office at
886-2696 or megan@lcoorwatertown.org

Altar Flower Sign Up



Opportunity to help beautify
our Sanctuary with flowers.
Please consider choosing a
weekend to provide altar
flowers in celebration or
memory of a loved one. Sign
up is at the Welcome Center.

Cost is \$60

COOKIES NEEDED

Sandwich Ministry is in need
of cookies. We have cookie
kits available for pick up at the
Welcome Center or church
office. You can also bake your
own & drop them off at the
church. Thank you!



**MISSION & ENDOWMENT
GRANT APPLICATIONS**



The Mission & Endowment Committee
at LCOOR is inviting groups to apply
for a grant for special ministry
projects. Application forms can be
picked up in the church office.

DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023.

October 15-22

Print too small? Large print bulletins are available at *all* worship services.

Sunday October 15

Stewardship Moment

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

8:30 a.m. Church School

8:30 a.m. Kindergarten Milestone

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship w/ Holy Communion

6:00 p.m. HS Youth Group

Monday October 16

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

6:00 p.m. MS Merge Youth Group

6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday October 17

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group

11:00 a.m. Text Study

12:00 p.m. God's Love Made Real- Zoom conversation with Presiding Bishop Eaton

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday October 18

Newsletter Deadline

Stewardship Moment

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch

4:45 p.m. Community Meal- Chicken Alfredo

5:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

5:30 p.m. Church School

6:30 p.m. 3rd Grade Bible Worship Recognition

6:30 p.m. Worship w/ Holy Communion

7:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:15 p.m. HS Hang-out in Youth Room

7:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Thursday October 19

9:00 a.m. Quilting

10:00 a.m. Pastors Conference in Summit

1:00 p.m. Chair Yoga

5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday October 20

Church Office Closes at Noon

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

9:00 a.m. Quilting

10:30 a.m. Memorial Service for Ardell Johnson

Saturday October 21

5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion

Sunday October 22

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

8:30 a.m. Church School

9:30 a.m. 3rd Grade Bible Worship Recognition

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship

6:00 p.m. HS Youth Group

6:00 p.m. Youth Music Team Practice

Attendance & Offering

October 1 Live Stream- 84

Saturday, October 7- 120

Sunday, October 8- 292

Wednesday, October 11- 131

Offering (10/8):

General Fund: \$12,454.50;

Church School: \$26.80;

Debt Reduction: \$40; Other: \$150

Mission of the Month: \$349.50;

Simply Giving Offering (10/2-10/6):

General Fund: \$9,917.55;

Debt Reduction: \$133; Other: \$386.65;

Mission of the Month: \$84.78;

Staff

Senior Pastor

Dan Overbo

Associate Pastor

Laura Overbo

Welcoming & Caring Ministries

Twila Schmitt

Director of Faith Formation

Philip Lickei

Business Manager

Jodi Spilde

Business Administrative Assistant

Megan Thyen

Preschool

Nikki Landmark, Director/Teacher

Wendy Kruger, Paraprofessional

Custodian

Adam Lauseng

OCTOBER 15, 2023 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Paul offers a guide for our life together.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Matthew 22:1-14	Parable of the wedding feast
Monday	Isaiah 25:1-9	A prayer of thanks to God
Tuesday	Philippians 4:1-9	Paul encourages his coworkers
Wednesday	Acts 2:43-47	Life among believers
Thursday	1 Peter 5:1-11	Tending the flock of God
Friday	2 Timothy 1:1-7	Timothy's spiritual background
Saturday	Psalms 23	The Lord is my shepherd
Sunday	Matthew 22:15-22	The question of paying taxes

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:9 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, give us your peace that we may live together as a community of faith with compassion and confidence through Jesus Christ, our Shepherd and Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this meal, a sign of your care for us that knows no end through Christ Jesus our Lord and Shepherd. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the goodness and mercy of God follow you all the days of your life. (Psalm 23:6)

