



Welcome

Inspired by the abundant hospitality of Jesus Christ, Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer welcomes **all** of God's children into the life of the church as 'we make God known through word and deed'.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection

Compassionate God, **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.** Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

"Built on a Rock"

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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. **O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 51:1-6

¹ Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the quarry from which you were dug. ² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah, who bore you, for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³ For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴ Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation, for a teaching will go out from me and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly; my salvation has gone out, and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look at the earth beneath, for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats, but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

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

Psalm

Psalm 138

¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

³ When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵ They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

⁶ **The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

⁸ **You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

Second Reading

Romans 12:1-8

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

*The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.***

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

Sermon

"Will the real Jesus please stand-up "

Pastor Dave Nerdig

Hymn of the Day

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

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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.

Prayers of the Church

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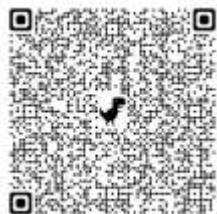
Tammy Stoltenburg, **Dianna** Lambert, **Sophie** Holida, **Karla** Stimson, **Nora** Hopper,
Larry Haaland- Friend of the Congregation, **Michelle** LeBlanc- Granddaughter of Bev Eggen,
Chad Jutting- Brother of Todd (Lesli) Jutting and Joy (Todd) Freimark, **Ramona** Voegele- Friend of Phyllis Boxersox,
Nicole Rude- Daughter-in-Law of Allen & Julie Rude, **David** Faulstich- Brother of Phyllis Bowersox

Offering

Text to Give: 888-303-5012 or Scan the QR code located in the pew

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

Companion Synods: Nicaragua & Cameroon



Offering: August 9-15

Promised \$7,363.50

Non-Promised \$3797.00

Mission of the Month \$204.56

Offering Prayer

You have called all people to your holy mountain and we are joyful in your house of prayer. Accept these offerings as sacrifices of praise, and signs of our thankfulness. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

Announcements

We will only have one worship service the weekend of August 29 & 30.

9:00am at foundation plaza (217 E Kemp Ave), see you there!

***In case of rain, worship will take place at LCOOR at 9:00 a.m.**

Blessing

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

“O Savior, Precious Savior”

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Call to Service

Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

Please greet one another with a word of peace as well as your name.

Serving

Preaching: Pastor Dave Nerdig; **Piano:** Kristy Tostenson, **Lector:** Marian Neshiem;

THE WEEKLY WORD

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

Diamond Dinner is September 5

Our annual Diamond Dinner 75+ Celebration will be held **Saturday, September 5th, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.** following Saturday night worship. We are looking for volunteers that are interested in serving at this event. Please contact Karri in the church office at karri@lcoorwatertown.org or (605) 886-2696 if you are interested in joining us for dinner or if you are interested in serving the meal.

Praise in the Park at Foundation Plaza

We invite you to join us at Foundation Plaza (217 E Kemp Ave) for Praise in the Park on **Sunday, August 30 at 9:00 a.m.** **This will be our ONLY worship service for the weekend of August 29-30.** Don't forget to bring your chairs and blankets, we can't wait to see you there! In case of rain, worship will take place at LCOOR.

The Latest Word - Monthly Newsletter

Please read our monthly newsletters for important information not covered in weekly announcements.

SCAN HERE



Volunteer at Worship

We are always seeking volunteers to assist during worship services. We encourage you to sign up!

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Is Your Child REGISTERED?

is your child registered for church school and confirmation? **If not, now is the time!** Scan the QR codes below or visit our website to get them signed up.

Activities resume on Sunday, Sept. 13 and Wednesday, Sept. 16. **Please see your August Newsletter for more information.**



CHURCH SCHOOL



CONFIRMATION

Thank You!

Again a big thank you to the Moes family for the sweet corn. This week's donation was **\$339** for Feeding South Dakota. In two weeks, LCOOR has donated **\$663** to Feeding SD thanks to the Moes family and sweet corn.

Handbell Choir Fall Kick-Off

The Handbell Choir will meet on **Wednesday, September 2 at 6 p.m.** for bell polishing, organization, and preparation for the season. Newcomers interested in helping or joining are welcome.

Local School Donations

We're collecting donations to help provide local students with some of the everyday essentials they need. **If you're able to help, we are currently collecting:** Deodorant, Body Wash, Small/Medium Shampoo & Conditioner, Hair Ties, Combs/Brushes, Size 1 Maxi Pads, Tampons with Plastic Applicators, Bars of Soap, Black Leggings (Girls), T-Shirts (Girls & Boys), Sweatpants (Boys), Hoodies (Girls & Boys), Socks (Girls & Boys), Underwear (Girls & Boys). Clothing sizes: Youth 6 through Adult XL. **Donations can be dropped off at the Welcome Center.**

Mission & Endowment Committee Opening

We will soon have an opening on our **Mission & Endowment Committee** and are looking for a member of our congregation who would be interested in serving. This committee helps oversee and support the church's mission and the responsible stewardship of our endowment resources. If you are interested in learning more or would like to be considered for this opportunity, **please contact Jodi or one of the Pastors.** We would love to hear from you!

Calendar & Attendance

Sunday August 23

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park

10:30 a.m. Worship at LCOOR

Monday August 24

September Newsletter Deadline

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. LATC Fall Kick-Off

6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday August 25

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Sewing Ministry Group

11:00 a.m. Text Study

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday August 26

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

Thursday August 27

10:00 a.m. Book Club

5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday August 28

Church Office Closes at Noon

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

Saturday August 29

3:00 p.m. Wedding (Sutton & Reyelts)

**NO WORSHIP SERVICE - Join us for Praise in the Park at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 30 at Foundation Plaza.*

Sunday August 30

9:00 a.m. Praise in the Park at Foundation Plaza

**This will be our only worship service for the weekend. We hope to see you there!*

Attendance

Sunday, August 8 Livestream: 86

Saturday, August 15: 63

Sunday, August 16 Lake: 251; **Town:** 64

Church Staff

Senior Pastor

Dan Overbo

Associate Pastor

Laura Overbo

Director of Faith Formation

Wendy Kruger

Faith Formation Assistant

Mallory Kohl

Welcoming & Caring Ministries

Karri Willhite

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CAR QUESTION FOR THE RIDE HOME:

What is something hard that God helped you through?



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