

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

WHO IS THE...

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026, 9:30 A.M.

JESUS

I am the...

WAY
TRUTH
LIFE

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'.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

Amen.

Opening Hymn

"Lord God, We Praise You"

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Teacher Recognition

Senior Recognition

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.**

Kyrie

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Canticle of Praise

"This is the Feast"

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

⁵⁵ Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

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

Psalm

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

² **Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.**

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead and guide me.

⁴ **Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**

⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O LORD, God of truth.

¹⁵ **My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

¹⁶ Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

Second Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." ⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸ and "A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th Chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

John 14:1-14

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." ⁸ Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

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

Hymn of the Day 

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

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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.

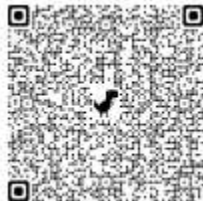
Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/Ill: *Katie Stavig, Bud Webb, Dave Wicks, Earl Lammler, Tammy Stoltenburg, Lynn Bromley, Gwen Anderson, Buck Schaack- Brother of Joyce (Marvin) McGillivray, Liz Ewald- Friend of Lesa Franken, Jeff Feldmeyer, Vince Brueggeman- Father of Karla Christensen, Karla Stimson, Robin Faulstich- Sister-in-law of Phyllis Bowersox, Michelle LeBlanc- Granddaughter of Bev Eggen, Darlene Jurgens- Aunt of Arlyn Adolphsen, Sophie Holida, Chad Jutting- Brother of Todd (Lesli) Jutting and Todd (Joy) Freimark, Larry Martin- Father of Codi (Ben) Storm*

Death: *Marty VanHeel, Shannon Tesch- Sister-in-law of Joe (Marlys) Tesch, Dolly Gugel- Aunt of Bev Splinter & Sister-in-law of Annette Gugel, Shannon Tesch- Sister-in-law of Joe (Marlys) Tesch, Gary Bender- Grandfather of Kyndal and Kasen Bender*

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:*



Church on the Street

<p>Offering Received (April 20-26) Promised: \$5,508.50 Non-Promised: \$3,888.00 Mission of the Month: \$210.01</p>
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Offertory Response

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”


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Offering Prayer

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving 

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Holy, Holy, Holy 

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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.

Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

Announcements (Timmerman Scholarship Presentation by Mission & Endowment Committee Representative)

Blessing

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace
✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”

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Call to Service

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Serving

Preaching: Pastor Dan Overbo; **Organist:** Kristy Tostenson; **Lector:** Megan Major;

Communion Assistants: Megan Major, Devyn Bollinger;

THE WEEKLY WORD

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

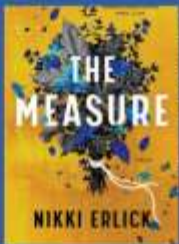
Spring Market: Craft Show and Vendor Fair - Saturday, May 9

Join us for our Spring Market: Craft Show and Vendor Fair at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer in Watertown, SD on **Saturday, May 9 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

With over 50 vendors, you'll find a wide variety of handmade crafts, unique gifts, home décor, and specialty items. Bring your friends and family and spend the day browsing, supporting local creators, and celebrating spring with us!

May Book Club

The LCOOR Book Club will meet on Thursday, May 28 at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. The book for May is *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick.



The Latest Word - Monthly Newsletter

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

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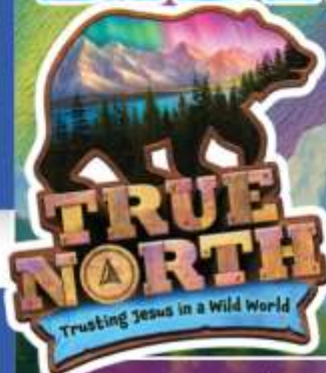
Volunteer at Worship

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

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5-8PM | MEALS SERVED

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Summer Worship Schedule

Our summer worship schedule will begin on Sunday, May 24, 2026.

- Saturdays at LCOOR at 5:30 p.m.
- Sundays at Memorial Park at 9:00 a.m.
- Sundays at LCOOR at 10:30 a.m.

It's Road Ditch Time!

What a great family project. **Bags and instructions are available at the Welcome Center.** Grab bags and instructions for a section—pick up the trash—take the bags to your blue container—know you helped keep our environment clean. If you need a vest or have questions—call Al—605-553-6791. Let's clean this up before Memorial Day. Thank you for helping with this church service project.

Fishing League

Registration for LCOOR's Fishing League is open at the Welcome Center! Come fish with us as we meet at various area lakes **each Wednesday from 6-9 p.m. beginning June 3.** Teams of two to four people are invited to join the league for some friendly competition and fellowship. Locations will be announced in a group text each Wednesday! There is no cost to register and shirts will be provided by Thrivent.

Calendar & Attendance

Sunday May 3

8:45 a.m. Church School (Last Day)
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion, Senior Recognition, Teacher Recognition, & Timmerman Scholarship Presentation
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Monday May 4

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday May 5

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday May 6 (Last Day of Worship)

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
5:00 p.m. Community Meal
5:45 p.m. Church School (Last Day)
6:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion, Senior Recognition, Teacher Recognition, & Timmerman Scholarship Presentation
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Luther League (9-12 Grade)

Thursday May 7

9:00 a.m. Quilting
4:00-8:00 p.m. Marty VanHeel Visitation
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday May 8

Church Office Closes at Noon
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
10:00 a.m. Marty VanHeel Funeral

Saturday May 9

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Spring Market: Craft & Vendor Show
5:30 p.m. Worship

Sunday May 10

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Attendance

Sunday, April 19 Livestream: 90

Wednesday, April 22: 101

Saturday, April 25: 72

Sunday, April 26: 459

Church Staff

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Dan Overbo

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Wendy Kruger, Paraprofessional

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Custodian

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CAR QUESTION FOR THE RIDE HOME:

What was your favorite part of worship today?

