



LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

THE IMPOSSIBLE PROMISE OF RESOURCES

REFORMATION SUNDAY | SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025, 9:30 A.M.

Welcome (please pass the black welcome pads)

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 words and deeds'.

Call to Worship

Day after day, an abundance of God's love,

Morning by morning, new signs of blessing:

A gentle rain, an awesome sunset,

A friend's embrace, a child's smile,

A new insight, a sense of peace,

A shared meal, a treasured moment.

All around us and deep within us are signs of God's presence.

How can we not sing of God's faithfulness?

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, Giver of all life, advocate of the forgotten, breath of sabbath rest. **Amen.**

Together we confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. *(Silence is kept for reflection)*

God who provides, **We confess that we are captive to greed, mistrust, and despair. We cannot free ourselves from habits of hoarding and complaining.**

God who remembers, **We fear our neighbor's need and forget our dependence on you. We spoil the gift of daily bread.**

God who delivers, **We repent of seeing only scarcity and worrying about what we lack. We plead for your presence: grant us rest, set us free, and teach us your generous ways.**

Children of God, there is more than enough. God's mercies are new every day: through Christ Jesus, the Bread of life, God gathers us together, forgives all our sin, restores our strength and showers us in mercy. **Thanks be to God!**

Take joy in God's abundant forgiveness, body and soul, and rise to serve with boldness.

We await your day of jubilee. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Opening Song

"10,000 Reasons"

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. **Merciful God, you have already given us the supplies and the skills we need to answer your call. Come to us now and open our hearts, that we may be generous with the bounty you have placed in our midst. Center our work in Jesus Christ, our mercy seat and corner stone. Amen.**

Children's Sermon (congregation please sing 'Jesus Loves Me' as children gather)

First Reading

Exodus 35:1-18

¹Moses assembled all the congregation of the Israelites and said to them: These are the things that the Lord has commanded you to do: ²Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day you shall have a holy sabbath of solemn rest to the Lord; whoever does any work on it shall be put to death. ³You shall kindle no fire in all your dwellings on the sabbath day. ⁴Moses said to all the congregation of the Israelites: This is the thing that the Lord has commanded: ⁵Take from among you an offering to the Lord; let whoever is of a generous heart bring the Lord's offering: gold, silver, and bronze; ⁶blue, purple, and crimson yarns, and fine linen; goats' hair, ⁷tanned rams' skins, and fine leather; acacia wood, ⁸oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, ⁹and onyx stones and gems to be set in the ephod and the breastpiece. ¹⁰All who are skillful among you shall come and make all that the Lord has commanded: the tabernacle, ¹¹its tent and its covering, its clasps and its frames, its bars, its pillars, and its bases; ¹²the ark with its poles, the mercy seat, and the curtain for the screen; ¹³the table with its poles and all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; ¹⁴the lampstand also for the light, with its utensils and its lamps, and the oil for the light; ¹⁵and the altar of incense, with its poles, and the anointing oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the entrance, the entrance of the tabernacle; ¹⁶the altar of burnt offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils, the basin with its stand; ¹⁷the hangings of the court, its pillars and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court; ¹⁸the pegs of the tabernacle and the pegs of the court, and their cords;

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

Psalm

Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸**Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰**"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."**

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Poem

“'1517': A poem by the late Pastor Gary Westgard”

Gospel Acclamation

“Lord Reign in Me”

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

Sermon

"The Impossible Promise of Resources"

Pastor Laura Overbo

We're excited to join a nationwide project with Luther Seminary, exploring what makes sermons compelling in today's world. Your input is crucial. You can participate by listening to the weekly sermon then scan the QR code or copy the link below for a quick and anonymous survey.

https://luthersem.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6fiwTYzxUpJ2SHA



Hymn of the Day

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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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.

Prayer Song

"Holy Spirit"

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/Ill: Betsy Spartz- Daughter of Denise Schmahl and Sister of Alissa (Mark) Iverson, Katie Stavig, Bud Webb, JoAnn Roti, Carter Silvernail- Son-in-law of Ron & Carol Bergan, Margaret Matyska, Dave Wicks, Lucille Olson, Buck Schaack- Brother of Joyce (Marvin) McGillivray, Jim Wollan, Liz Ewald- Friend of Lesa Franken, Brad Bergh- Son of Margaret Bergh, Robin Faulstich- Sister-in-law of Phyllis Bowersox, Dorothy Syhre

Death: Harold Hopper- Father of Monte (Michele) Hopper, Michael Mark Carter- Brother of Cathy (Ed) Gerrish, Charlene Wilkins, Bradley (Brad) Howell- Husband of Renee Howell, Jeff Iverson- Brother of Rod (Nancy) Iverson

Prayer Song

"Holy Spirit"

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:
Salvation Army One Roof Project



Offertory Response

"More Precious than Silver"

Offering Prayer

Everlasting God, you created us and it's your grace that blooms within us. From our work, our investments, and out of our creativity we bring to you our tithes and our offerings, asking that your blessing might be added to them and that in turn they might fertilize the wilderness of this world for the growth of your way of holiness in our midst. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our gracious 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/Stewardship Campaign

*ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN IN HONOR OF OUR PARENTS, BILL & SHARON MALCOM'S
67TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY FROM LYNNITA KLUCKMAN, BRENT MALCOM AND FAMILIES.*

Blessing

God of surprising manna gifts, God of more-than-enough at the edges, God, food for the journey, keep you in grace and sustain you, now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song

"This is Amazing Grace"

Call to Service

Go in peace. There is more than enough.

Thanks be to God.

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Serving

Preaching: Pastor Laura Overbo; **Worship Team;** **Greeters:** Shane & Becky Conger; **Ushers:** Cliff & Sharon Knox;

Lector: Ainsley Falconer;

THE WEEKLY WORD

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LCOOR Preschool Halloween Parade

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!



LCOOR Sewing Ministry Group



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer's Sewing Ministry Group will gather on **Tuesday, October 28 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** in Assembly A. Sewers and non-sewers are both welcome to come and help out with this important ministry.

Ladies' Night Out

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, entertainment from Pastor Dave Nerdig, storyteller and music by Bruce Reinhardt.

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!

Hey, guys! Can you help? We need 15 men to help serve the coffee and water to the 40+ tables at Ladies' Night Out. Please let Karri Willhite in the church office know if you are willing to help. Thanks in advance!



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**.

Help bring new ministry ideas to life!

Calendar & Attendance

Sunday October 26

8:30 a.m. Confirmation Workshop
8:45 a.m. Church School with Kindergarten Milestone
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Monday October 27

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday October 28

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Sewing Ministry Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday October 29

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
5:00 p.m. Community Meal
5:30 p.m. Confirmation Workshop
5:45 p.m. Church School with Kindergarten Milestone
6:30 p.m. Worship
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Luther League Youth Group (9-12 Grade)

Thursday October 30

9:00 a.m. Preschool Halloween Parade
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday October 31

Church Office Closes at Noon
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery

Saturday November 1

5:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion
6:30 p.m. Saturday Evening Meal

Sunday November 2 - All Saints' Sunday

8:30 a.m. Confirmation Workshop
8:45 a.m. Church School
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Monday November 3

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

Tuesday November 4

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:00 p.m. Quilting Bible Study

Wednesday November 5

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
5:00 p.m. Community Meal
5:30 p.m. Confirmation Workshop
5:45 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion
7:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Luther League Youth Group (9-12 Grade)

Attendance

- Sunday, October 12 Livestream: 112
- Saturday, October 18: 74
- Sunday, October 19: 302
- Wednesday, October 15: 148

Church Staff

Senior Pastor

Dan Overbo

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Let's Talk About Money

Have you ever heard money talked about in church? When?
Do you remember any Bible stories that include money?

