

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

I AM the Resurrection and the LIFE!

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT | SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026, 9:30 A.M.



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'.

Call to Worship

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Oh that my words were written! **Oh that they were inscribed in a book!**

Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Together we confess:

Almighty God, we have sinned against you in our thoughts, words and actions. We turn from the life you have given us, following our own sinful desires and seeking to please ourselves instead of pleasing you. Have mercy on us and forgive us.

God has had mercy on us. He sent his Son to be our Savior. Jesus died on the cross for us, suffering the penalty of death in our place. Through faith in his name we have forgiveness and life. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We know that our Redeemer lives! We have forgiveness and life in his name!

Opening Song

"What a Beautiful Name"

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. **Lord Jesus, you are the Resurrection and the Life. You suffered and died on the cross and rose up from the grave on the third day, conquering sin, death and devil. We pray that you would reign as Lord in our lives today and every day. Let your love and life overflow through us into the lives of others so that they too might come to know and worship you as Lord. Fill us with joyful anticipation of the day of resurrection yet to come, when we too will rise from our graves to live forever in your presence. Amen.**

First Reading

Job 19:23-27

Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

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

Psalm 130 (sung)**Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 15:16-26

For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

Gospel Acclamation

"Way Maker"

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 11th Chapter.

Gospel Reading

John 11:17-27

Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

The gospel of the Lord.

Sermon

"I Am the Resurrection and the LIFE!"

Cathy Zubke

Hymn of the Day

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

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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

"Here's My Heart"

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/Ill: *Betsy Spartz- Daughter of Denise Schmahl and Sister of Alissa (Mark) Iverson, Katie Stavig, Bud Webb, Dave Wicks, Earl Lammler, Buck Schaack- Brother of Joyce (Marvin) McGillivary, Tammy Stoltenburg, Liz Ewald- Friend of Lesa Franken, Vince Brueggeman- Father of Karla Christensen, Karla Stimson, Brad Bergh- Son of Margaret Bergh, Robin Faulstich- Sister-in-law of Phyllis Bowersox, Lynn Bromley, Karen Larsen- Sister-in-law of Darlene Bailey, Michelle LeBlanc- Granddaughter of Bev Eggen, Marv Sherrill*

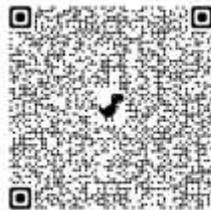
Prayer Song

"Here's My Heart"

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:*

Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center & Fallout Shelter Ministries



Offering Received (March 9-15)

Promised: \$5,888.50

Non-Promised: \$10,756.00

Mission of the Month: \$68.79

Lent: \$184.00

Offertory Response

"Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil"

Offering Prayer

You are the giver of life, O God, and you are the giver of new life, resurrected life. Accept these gifts for they are evidence of the new life you have given us. 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.

Diminishing Lights Ceremony

Benediction

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,
And everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.

Do you believe this? ...

Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Announcements

Sending Song

"Your Grace is Enough"

Call to Service

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Serving

Preaching: Cathy Zubke; **Worship Team;** **Ushers:** Pam Raeder; **Lector:** Chelsea Hodenfield;

THE WEEKLY WORD

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER

Timmerman Scholarship Deadline

Are you a member of Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer and a graduate of Watertown High School? If you're entering your first or second year of education or technical training at a South Dakota state-supported institution, you may be eligible for the Timmerman Scholarship! **Each recipient will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to help with educational expenses.**

Applications and more information are available:

- In the church office
- At the Welcome Center
- Online at www.lcoorwatertown.org under the RESOURCES tab

Deadline to Apply: March 31, 2026 - Don't miss this opportunity to support your education!

Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday (March 29):

- 9:30 a.m. Worship with Special Music, Procession of Palms, and Sunday Church School Students Sing (3-Year-Old's - 6th Grade)
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Fruit of the Spirit Celebration

Maundy Thursday (April 2):

- Worship with First Communion and Holy Communion at 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday (April 3):

- Tenebrae Worship at 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday (April 5):

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Special Music
- 9:30 a.m. Worship with Special Music

**Holy Communion at both services*



LCOOR Spring Festival - Fruit of the Spirit Celebration

All ages are invited to join us at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on **Sunday, March 29 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** for our Spring Festival, Fruit of the Spirit Celebration! Each of the nine gifts, called the Fruit of the Spirit, will be represented by a fun, hands-on activity station as we learn and grow together. **We are looking for 24 volunteers to help with the Spring Festival and the sign-up is located at the Welcome Center.**

Route 56 Youth Group

Route 56, a youth group for **5th-6th grade**, will be meeting on **Thursday, March 26 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** This will be a game night with bingo and a Tenzi competition, so come ready to play! It's a great chance to grow in your faith while hanging out with friends and meeting new ones.

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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Global Health Ministries - Hospice Kits

Palliative care and hospice programs continue to be an important ministry of the church overseas in countries where thousands of people benefit every year from their special care for people living with HIV/AIDS, cancer, and other devastating illness. The need has not diminished, and your gift of these Kits is a blessing to those who receive them. **Kit Instructions can be found at the Welcome Center or online at www.ghm.org/hospice-kits.**

Calendar & Attendance

Sunday March 22

Spring Plant Order Deadline
No Church School or Confirmation (Spring Break)
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. LCOOR Mobile Soup Kitchen

Monday March 23

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

Tuesday March 24

11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday March 25

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
5:00 p.m. Community Meal (suggested donation \$3/person; \$10/family)
5:30 p.m. Confirmation Workshop
5:45 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. Worship
7:15 p.m. Luther League (9-12 Grade)

Thursday March 26

10:00 a.m. Book Club
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon
6:00 p.m. Route 56 Youth Group (5-6 Grade)

Friday March 27

Church Office Closes at Noon
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

Saturday March 28

5:30 p.m. Worship

Sunday March 29 (Palm Sunday)

8:30 a.m. Confirmation Workshop
8:45 a.m. Church School
9:30 a.m. Worship with Church School Kids Singing
10:30 a.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Spring Festival - Fruit of the Spirit Celebration

Monday March 30

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

Tuesday March 31

Timmerman Scholarship Deadline
11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday April 1

No Worship, Meal, or Activities (Holy Week)
8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

Attendance

Sunday, March 8 YouTube: 134

Wednesday, March 11: 118

Saturday, March 14: 78

Sunday, March 15: N/A due to weather

Church Staff

Senior Pastor

Dan Overbo

Associate Pastor

Laura Overbo

Director of Faith Formation

Wendy Kruger

Welcoming & Caring Ministries

Karri Willhite

Business Manager

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Business Administrative Assistant

Megan Thyen

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Nikki Landmark, Director/Teacher

Wendy Kruger, Paraprofessional

Sound & Technology

Sam Langner

Custodian

Roman Gainor



CAR QUESTION FOR THE RIDE HOME:

Name a worship song that deeply moves you,
and describe why.

