

The Festival of Reformation



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"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

October 29, 2023

DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (Sung by Quintet)

The Church's One Foundation

The words are printed below for you to meditate upon as the quintet sings the anthem this morning.

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is his new creation By water and the Word. From heav'n he came and sought her To be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth; Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With ev'ry grace endued.

The Church shall never perish. Her dear Lord, to defend, To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end. Though there be those that hate her And strive to see her fail, Against both foe and traitor She ever shall prevail.

Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900, abr., alt.

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Mark 10:47

Kyrie

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

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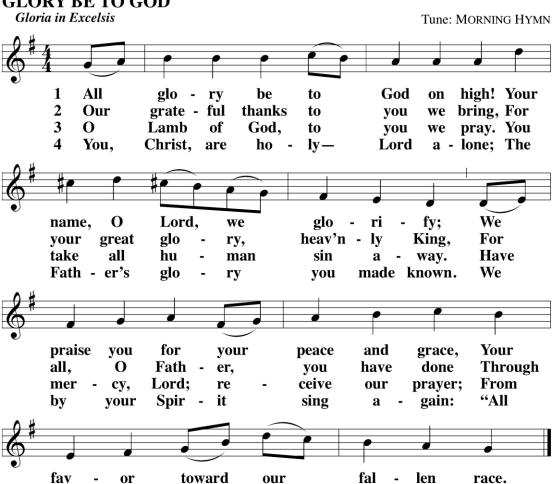
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THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED



FIRST LESSON

ALL: ¹⁰ Now, when Daniel learned that the document had been signed, he went to his house. It had windows on its upper story that opened toward Jerusalem. Three times each day he would get on his knees and pray and offer praise before his God. He continued to do that, just as he had been doing before this. ¹¹ Then these men came as a group and found Daniel praying and seeking favor from his God.

MEN: ¹² They then went and asked the king about the decree. "Your Majesty, did you not sign a decree that anyone who prays to any god or person for thirty days except to you, Your Majesty, would be thrown into the den of lions?" The king answered, "Indeed I did. The order is established as a law of the Medes and the Persians that cannot be revoked."

WOMEN: ¹⁶ Then the king gave the order, and Daniel was brought and thrown into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you." ¹⁷ A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the pit. The king sealed it with his signet ring and the signet rings of his nobles so that nothing could be changed with regard to Daniel's situation. ¹⁸ Then the king went to his palace. He spent the night without food, and no entertainment was brought before him. But he could not sleep.

PASTOR: ¹⁹ At dawn the king arose as soon as it was light and hurried to the lions' den. ²⁰ As he came near the pit, he cried out in a fearful voice. The king said to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, was your God, whom you serve continually, able to rescue you from the lions?" ²¹ Then Daniel spoke with the king. "Your Majesty, may you live forever! ²² My God sent his angel and shut the mouth of the lions. They have not hurt me because he found me innocent in his presence. Also before you, Your Majesty, I have committed no crime." ²³ Then the king was very glad and said that Daniel should be brought up from the pit. So Daniel was brought up from the pit, and he was unharmed because he trusted in his God.



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.



God is our refuge and strength,* an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the <u>earth</u> give way* and the mountains fall into the heart <u>of</u> the sea,

though its waters <u>roar</u> and foam* and the mountains quake with their <u>surg</u>ing.

Refrain

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,* the holy place where the Most <u>High</u> dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;*
God will help her at break of day.

"Be still, and know that <u>I</u> am God;*
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

GOSPEL Matthew 10:16-23

¹⁶ "Look, I am sending you out as sheep among wolves. So be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. ¹⁷ Be on guard against people. They will hand you over to councils, and they will whip you in their synagogues. ¹⁸ You will be brought into the presence of governors and kings for my sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles. ¹⁹ Whenever they hand you over, do not be worried about how you will respond or what you will say, because what you say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰ In fact you will not be the ones speaking, but the Spirit of your Father will be speaking through you.

²¹ "Brother will hand over his brother to death, and a father will do the same with his child. Children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. ²² You will be hated by all people because of my name, but whoever endures to the end will be saved. ²³ And when they persecute you in one town, flee to the next. Amen I tell you: You will not finish going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

BE SEATED

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

At this time, young children are invited to come forward for a short children's message.

HYMN OF THE DAY (CW 201)

A Mighty Fortress is Our God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.

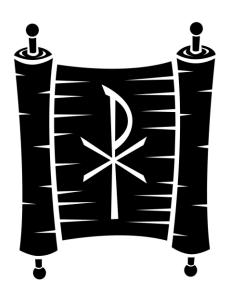
Tune: EIN FESTE BURG (87 87 55 56 7) Martin Luther, 1483–1546, alt.

SERMON Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says is addressed to those who are under the law, so that every mouth will be silenced and the whole world will be subject to God's judgment. ²⁰ For this reason, no one will be declared righteous in his sight by works of the law, for through the law we become aware of sin. ²¹ But now, completely apart from the law, a righteousness from God has been made known. The Law and the Prophets testify to it. ²² This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all and over all who believe. In fact, there is no difference, ²³ because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God ²⁴ and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God publicly displayed as the atonement seat through faith in his blood. God did this to demonstrate his justice, since, in his divine restraint, he had left the sins that were committed earlier unpunished. ²⁶ He did this to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so that he would be both just and the one who justifies the person who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷ What happens to boasting then? It has been eliminated. By what principle — by the principle of works? No, but by the principle of faith. ²⁸ For we conclude that a person is justified by faith without the works of the law.

Righteousness that God Can See



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

During the gathering of the thank-offering, please sign and pass the Friendship Register. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, sustain your Church. Deliver her from error and preserve in her the proclamation of your Gospel, that it would resound to every nation, tribe, people and language and that all may fear and give you glory. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, bless all ministers of your Word. Help them rightly to preach your Law so that all are held accountable to you without excuse, and joyfully proclaim your Gospel, that all would know Jesus Christ as their Savior. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, keep our families in your Word. Make our homes and families peaceful. Preserve all fathers and encourage them for their godly task, that children would be brought up in the fear and instruction of the Lord. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, bless all civil authorities, especially our president; Congress; and all who make, administer and judge our laws. Protect them from the temptations that beset their offices, and grant them wisdom and courage to serve with integrity. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, be near to all who cry to you for healing of body and soul [especially ______]. Grant them release from their afflictions according to your will. Sustain their hope in the full and final healing that awaits them at the day of Christ's appearing. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, bless all who come to the altar to partake of Christ's own body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins. Grant them repentant hearts that seek to amend their lives, and by your Spirit align them with your will and purpose. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mighty Fortress, Rock of refuge, we give you thanks for all your servants who have departed this life in faith. We especially bless you today for the great reformers of your Church who call us back to the Gospel and to the righteousness we have in Christ alone. Keep us in fellowship with them, and bring us at last to our heavenly home to see our Redeemer face to face; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

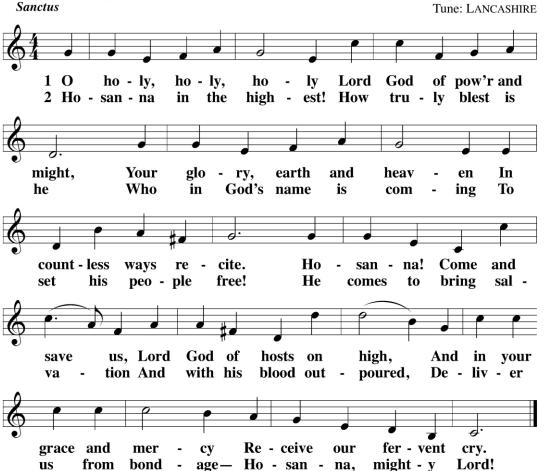
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and we praise you this day for the great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us and by whose testimony you have fixed our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28 1 Corinthians 11:24.25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD John 1:29



BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with our pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 531)

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th century, abr.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt. Tune: Westminster Abbey (87 87 87) Henry Purcell, 1659–95, adapt.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 291)

We Have a Sure Prophetic Word



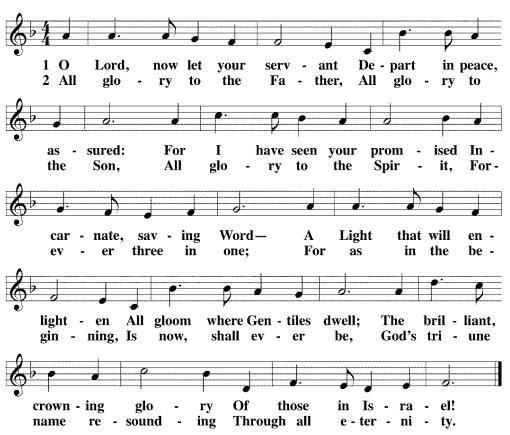
Text: Emanuel Cronenwett, 1841–1931, alt.

Tune: Wo Gott Zum Haus (LM) Klug, Geistliche Lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1535.

SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32 Tune: ANGEL'S STORY

Nunc Dimittis



M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING Numbers 6:24-26

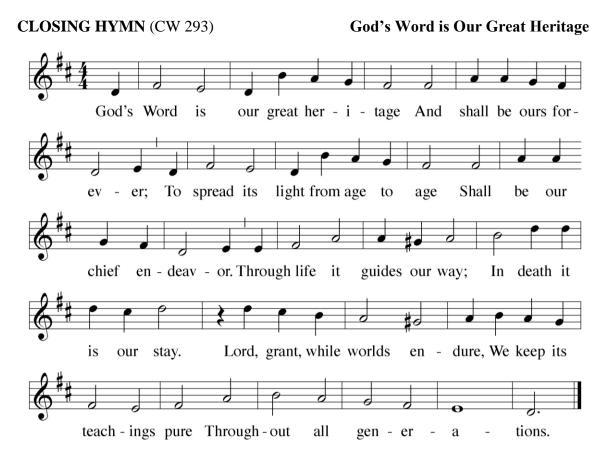
M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

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Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783-1872; tr. Ole G. Belsheim, 1861-1925.

Tune: REUTER (87 87 66 66 7) Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863–1924.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Sunday October 29: The Festival of Reformation

Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible study and Sunday school (Teens join adult study upstairs)

Children's message

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: 8:00 Ryan Jaeger, 10:30 Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers 8:00: Bob Degnan, Gene Freund, Kayden Zech and Kourtney Zech
- Ushers 10:30: Joshua Hodkiewicz and *volunteer*
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- Refreshments: Hodkiewicz Family

Sunday November 5: Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, teen class and Sunday school

WELS Connection

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/Elder: 8:00 Dave Olson, 10:30 Mitch Myhre
- Ushers 8:00: Lynn Biwer and Roger LaGrange
- Ushers 10:30: The Heath Family
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Wayne Kaalberg
- Altar Guild: Sandy Heath and Sally Kaalberg
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: Donna Cotter and Sue Jenswold

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Kiki Sullivan (10/29), Lisa Bedker (10/30), Bonnie Punzel (11/2), Wilson Corcoran (11/4), Sandy Kuecker (11/4) and Courtney Mallien (11/4) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Jen & Nate Sauer (10/29) and Kathy & Shamus Wilson (11/1) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Turn you clocks back 1 hour before bed this Saturday November 4 - fall back.