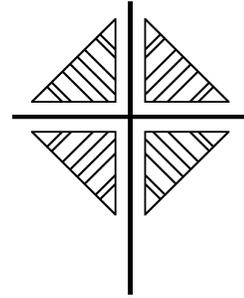


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THE CELEBRATION OF REFORMATION

October 27/28, 2018

AS WE GATHER

We celebrate the Reformation of the Christian Church. Tracing our heritage back to Martin Luther's posting of the Ninety-Five Theses on October 31, 1517, we join with God's children throughout the world to thank Him for saving us by His grace alone through faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The precious Gospel of Christ's life, death, and resurrection is the central truth of Holy Scripture, and it alone has the power to set us free from sin as we cling to Christ by faith. May the Lord bless us today as we worship Him and abide in His life-saving, life-changing Word! Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word!

Please stand

HYMN TO OPEN

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

LSB 656

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P For by grace you have been saved through faith.

C And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,

P not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

C For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,

P which God prepared beforehand,

C that we should walk in them. *Ephesians 2:8, 9*

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Together, let us pray.

C Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank You for preserving Your holy Church throughout the ages. For Your gift of the blessed Gospel, we praise Your name. For the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection from the dead and life eternal in Christ, we thank You. For the faithful witness of Martin Luther and all those who proclaim Your Word of grace and truth we give You thanks. Hear our prayer in the name of Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, throughout all eternity. Amen

Please be seated

FIRST READING *(God's messenger brings the eternal gospel.)* **Revelation 14:6-7**

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice,

“Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 46 *(God is our refuge, strength, and fortress.)*

To be read responsively

P The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

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

P Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

C though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

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

C God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

P The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters His voice, the earth melts.

All: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

P Come, behold the works of the Lord, how He has brought desolations on the earth.

C He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; He burns the chariots with fire.

P “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

All: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

SECOND READING *(God justifies us through faith in Christ.)* **Romans 3:19-28**

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as

a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

HOLY GOSPEL *(God sets us free as we abide in Jesus' Word.)* **John 8:31-36**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, from the eighth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is

a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30 ONLY)**TITHES AND OFFERING (10:30 ONLY)****HYMN OF THE DAY**

"By Grace I'm Saved"

LSB 566

SERMON**“True Freedom”***(Romans 3:13-28 and John 8:31-36)**The Rev. Paul Rieger***Please stand****CREED**

P Martin Luther gave us an explanation of the second article of the Apostle’s Creed in his Small Catechism. We will speak this statement of our belief together:

All: 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

P What does this mean?

All: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

That I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

Just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

The pastor ends each petition with the words:

P “Lord in Your mercy,”

and the congregation responds,

C “Hear our prayer.”

P Into Your hands we commit all for whom we pray, knowing that You will hear us as we pray as You have taught us:

C **The Lord’s Prayer...**

(10:30 SERVICE ONLY) *Please turn to the Benediction on page 6*

Please be seated

TITHES AND OFFERINGS (5:30 AND 8:00) *Trinity Choir 8:00*

(Please fill out Friendship Pads; Ushers will collect them.)

Please stand**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT****CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P** The Word of God announces both His punishment and His pardon, His judgment and His grace. The Law of God, summarized in the Ten Commandments, reminds us of our continual need for the Lord's forgiveness. Let us pray to the Lord, confessing our sins to Him and calling upon Him to have mercy upon us. With humble hearts, we confess,
- C** **Lord, we confess to You, our lack of faith. We see the kind of people we ought to be, and we know that we fall short of the goal. We want a faith that is solid and unchanging, and yet we crumble under trials and temptations. Lord, forgive us. Look upon us through Your Son, Jesus Christ who loves us and has given us life in His name.**
- P** Jesus said, "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Friends in Christ, let us abide in Jesus' Word, which brings us the freedom of His forgiveness. Almighty God, in His great mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for Jesus' sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** Hear now, the Words of Our Lord, spoken at the time of The Last Supper.
(Words of Our Lord Spoken here)
- P** People of God, do you believe the body and blood of Christ is present in, with and under the bread and wine? If so, please answer, "I do so believe."
- C** **I do so believe.**
- P** In addition, do you wish to receive the many blessings of this Sacrament: the forgiveness of sins, communion with Christ, unity with one another as Christians, and the opportunity to remember our Lord's sacrifice, give Him thanks for this gift and for our salvation, and proclaim our Lord's death on the cross for us, If yes, please answer:
- C** **With humility and thankfulness, I wish to receive these gifts of grace.**
- P** Then, Welcome to the Lord's Table.

HYMN OF COMMUNION PREPARATION "Chief of Sinners" LSB 611, vv. 1 & 4

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS “Though All Our Life Is Like a Scroll”

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| <p>1. Though all our life is like a scroll
Unrolled with blemished pages;
Though sin has shredded what was whole
And death is now our wages;
Yet here we stand in confidence,
With Jesus as our sole defense,
For He alone still saves us.</p> | <p>2. Though earth’s deep waters foam and roar
As surging waves are rolling;
Though all the nations rage with war
While bells of doom are tolling;
Yet God gives peaceful fortitude,
He nurtures us with Heaven’s food.
True faith alone still anchors.</p> |
| <p>3. Though pompously we try to dress
In costumes of our making;
Though fig leaves of self-righteousness
Are futile and heartbreaking;
Yet filthy rags Christ gladly wore
So we would perish nevermore.
His grace alone still clothes us.</p> | <p>4. Though critics cut out Scripture’s claims
And treat them with derision;
Though they conduct their hostile aims
With scalpels of suspicion;
Yet how the living, two-edged sword
Proclaims the dead and risen Lord!
God’s Word alone: still truthful.</p> |

Text: Wilfred L. Karsten Tune: Etlich Cristlich lider, Nürnberg, 1524; setting: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

LSB 744 “Amazing Grace”**COMMUNION DISMISSAL**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul

to life everlasting. Depart in Peace.

C Amen

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have nourished our souls and set us free from our sins through the body and blood of our Savior. As we abide in Your Word of truth, work through our lives to share the freedom of Christ with all the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P Brothers and sisters, you have been saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

C We rejoice in this gift of God!

P You are made to be His workmanship, walking daily in His Word.

C We rejoice in the Word that sets us free!

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. *Numbers 6:24–26*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Please be seated

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

LSB 655

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

* * * **TO GOD BE THE GLORY** * * *

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LEADING WORSHIP

Pastor	The Rev. Paul Rieger
Music	Barbara Mrosko, Organist; Trinity Choir
Worship Assistants	5:30 – Eric Remold, 8:00 – Larry Schreck, Steve Zimmerman 10:30 – Bill Kirkpatrick
Elders	5:30 – Robert Pitt, 8:00 – Brian Fuchs, 10:30 – Gatluk Reat
Lay Lectors	5:30 – Mark Remold, 10:30 – Diane Cloeter
Ushers	5:30 – Eric Remold, Dan & Judy Valentyn 8:00 – Brian & Michele Fuchs, Harvey Bursch, Bud Paschke, Phil Simonson 10:30 – George & Rachel Raab, Larry Hagre, Chad Kreager, Carson & Ryan Kreager
Greeters	5:30 – Rich Delaske, Lois Miner 8:00 – Bob & Kathi Meyer, Norm & Shirley Rost 10:30 – Helen Velzke, Joy Zimmerman
Radio Broadcast	Todd Voge
Altar Guild	Judy Valentyn, Vivian Hagre
Nursing Home Ministry	Edward Morsion, Duane & Diane Schlobohm