

REFORMATION SUNDAY



SUNDAY WORSHIP

9 a.m. Traditional Service with organ and choir

11:11 a.m. Contemporary Service with praise band

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

OCTOBER 26, 2025 • 9AM

Reformation Sunday

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 1

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

PRELUDE *Christians, We Have Met to Worship*

Faith Bells

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION FOR PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: Blessed be the God of Resurrection. †

Congregation: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for confession.

P: God of New Life,

C: We confess our lack of faith. We see a glimpse of what we ought to be and we know we fall short of the goal. We desire faith which is solid and unchanging, yet we crumble under the trials and temptations of life. We want to be strong, but we know our own weaknesses. Our sinful condition strips us of any spiritual gain we humanly devise. God, forgive us. Accept us as we are, unworthy for the task, yet gifted for your purposes.

P: Hear the good news of God's forgiveness. Our God is a great God and knows what we need in every area of our life. God knows our weaknesses and our unbelieving hearts. God loves us enough to die on a cross and provide forgiveness for our sin. Today the focus is not on the faith we can muster, but on the great gifts our God gives. God has given us the gift of faith, faith for the moment, faith for every trial, faith for every temptation, faith for every difficult situation. Praise God. †

C: Alleluia and Amen.

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN hymn 836 (*stand*)

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

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

Congregation: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

A: Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

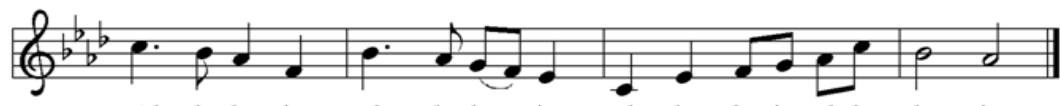
C: A - men, a - men.

This Is the Feast

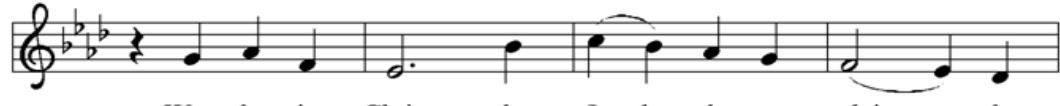
Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



Refrain
hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with You.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray,

Congregation: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PARISH NEWS

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:31-34 *pew Bible, page 721*

Barbara Birkholz, Lector

In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O Lord, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. ⁸O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? ⁹Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! ¹⁰Thus says the Lord concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore, the Lord does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. ¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. ²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²²Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O Lord our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

PSALM 46 *pew Bible, page 506*

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

Congregation: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

L: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

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

L: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

C: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

L: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

C: Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth;

L: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

C: he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

L: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."

C: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28 *pew Bible, page 1028*

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

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

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

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

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON *hymnal page 102***GOSPEL: John 8:31-36** *pew Bible, page 977*

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 8th chapter

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!

³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.

³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶"So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: *Lutheran Worship and the Means of Grace*

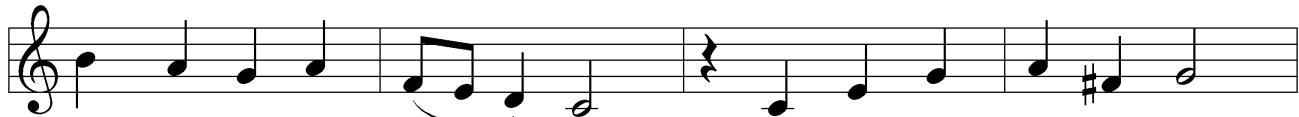
Pastor Bob Stelter

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

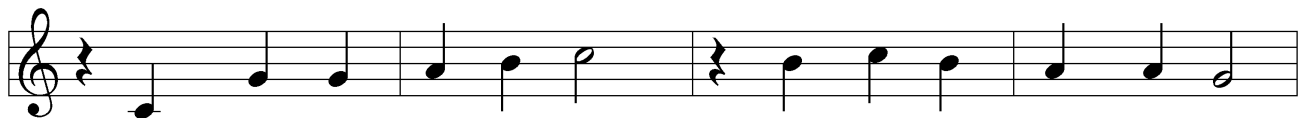
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

APOSTLES CREED *Martin Luther's Small Catechism with Explanations*

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us proclaim our faith.

Pastor: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

Congregation:

I believe that God has created me together with all that exists. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul; eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason and mental faculties.

In addition, God daily and abundantly provides shoes and clothing, food and drink, house and farm, spouse and children, friends, livestock and all property—along with all the necessities and nourishment for this body and life. God protects me against all danger and shields and preserves me from all evil. And all this is done out of pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness of mine at all! For all this I owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

P: 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.

What does this mean?

C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father in eternity, and also a true human being, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned human being. He has purchase and freed me from all sin, 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. He has done all this in order that I may belong to Him, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.

P: I believe in the Holy Spirit; one holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

What does this mean?

C: I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord, or come to Him; but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian Church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

THE PRAYERS *stand or kneel*

Kathy Thompson, Assisting Minister

Assistant: Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

brief silence.

Assistant: Free your church, O God, with grace, mercy, and love to be transformed by your word. Direct your church to be united in word and deed so that all creation knows the uniting and transforming power of the gospel. God of grace,

Congregation: receive our prayer.

A: Renew creation, O God, so that all living creatures thrive together. Guide those who work to restore and renew creation. Preserve and care for endangered species throughout the world. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

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THE PRAYERS *(continued)*

A: Bring peace among the nations, O God, so violence and terror are not the norm on your earth. Inspire leaders of communities to work for peace and justice. Unite our politicians with a common mission and purpose. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Heal all who suffer, O God, and bring them peace. Draw near to those who are incarcerated. Give hope to those experiencing housing or employment insecurity, oppression or discrimination. Heal those who are ill. Be our stronghold at all times. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Forgive us our sins, O God, and grant us your grace. Move us to understanding and reconciliation between people of other faiths and other Christian traditions in our community. Mend hurt feelings and heal wounds we have caused one another. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: We give you thanks, O God, for the life and witness of all your saints. Give us hope in your son's victory through the cross. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

Silence for individual prayer petitions.

Pastor: We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PEACE

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

Congregation: And also with you.

OFFERING FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* arr. Mark Patterson

OFFERTORY *hymn 512*

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o - pen to the seed of your
word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where
love can grow and peace is un - der - stood. When my heart is hard,
break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart, be good soil.

OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Merciful God,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *hymnal page 107*



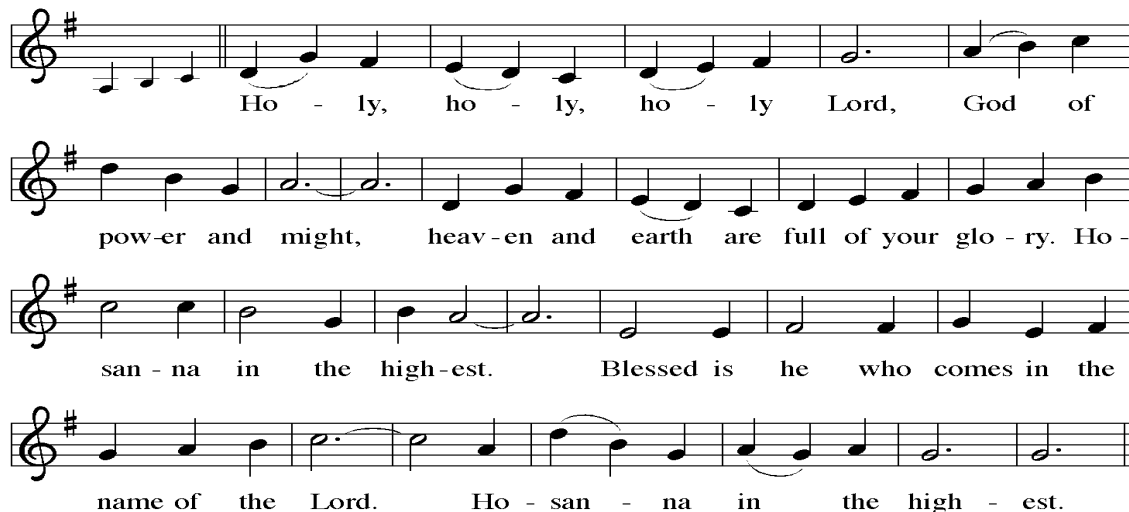
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS *hymnal, page 108*

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: You are indeed holy, O God. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world for our salvation.

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."

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.

Congregation: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

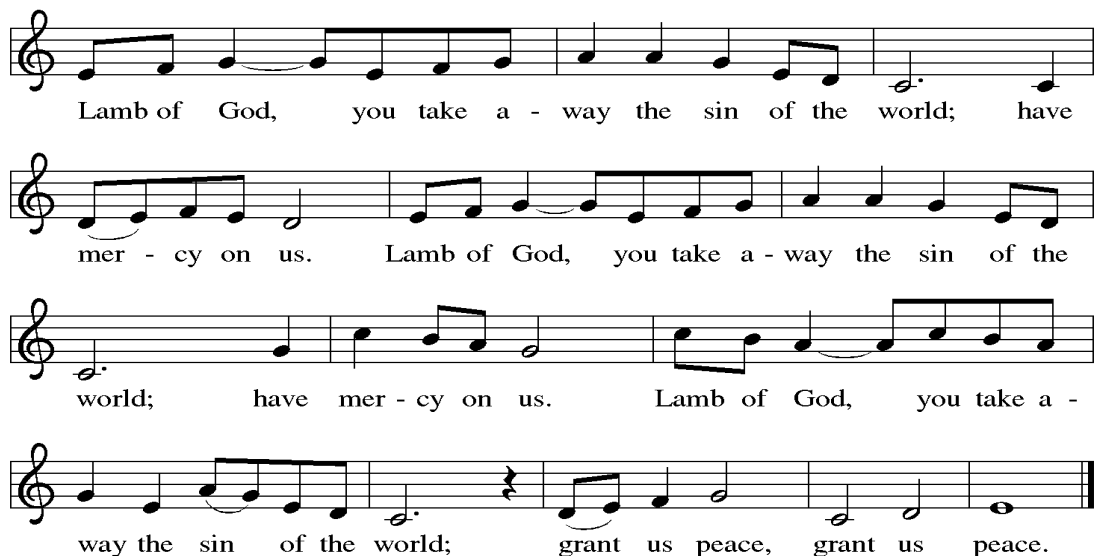
Pastor: With one will and one voice, we pray:

**All: 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION FROM PASTOR STELTER

LAMB OF GOD *hymnal, page 112 (seated)*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *hymn 712*

The Church of Christ, in Every Age



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

COMMUNION BLESSING *stand*

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His Grace.

Congregation: Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev - 'ry - one what he has done.



Let ev - 'ry - one who seeks the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray.

Congregation: O God, thanks for bringing us together today. We're here because we care—about this church, this mission, and the people we serve. Sometimes it's hard to see the road ahead, but we believe you've planted something good for us and in this place. Help us dream faithfully, not just boldly. Give us eyes to see what's possible and hearts that stay grounded in what matters most. Let our vision be more than words—make it a movement. And when we disagree or get stuck, remind us we're on the same team, working toward something bigger than ourselves. Lead us, guide us and keep us open to your Spirit. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go in peace. Remember that by the goodness of God you were born. Remember that in the mercy of Jesus Christ you have been redeemed. Remember that the Holy Spirit walks with you every day to comfort you, to strengthen you and to guide you. Remember that while others have called you servant, Christ calls you friend. In the strength of that mighty friendship, go forth now to serve in Jesus' name. †

Congregation: Amen

SENDING HYMN *hymn 654 (stand)*

The Church's One Foundation



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth;
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.

SENDING

Assistant: Our mission?

Congregation: Love God, love others, serve.

Assistant: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Prelude and Fugue in C Major* J. S. Bach

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

ALTAR GUILD Marj West

GREETER Mary Beth Hallahan

USHERS Jim Hallahan, Craig Runger

ASSISTING MINISTER Kathy Thompson

LECTOR Barbara Birkholz

COMMUNION MINISTERS Lisa Stelter, Virginia McKinney,
Laura Beardsley, George Herbold

PROJECTION & LIGHTS George Deichert

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Gratitude for Confirmation Leaders: Carrie Parrott, Lynda Primka and Will Dickinson.

Confirmation Blessings: Kaya Johnson, Cortlyn Titsworth and Emily Wright being confirmed next Sunday.

Joy at the birth of: Henry Scott Thompson to Katie & Sam Thompson, siblings Jet and Bridget; grandparents Kathy & Bryan Thompson.

Comfort in the midst of death for the family and friends of: Donna Knick, Nick Leonhardt, Gene McNalley, Lindsey, Vanessa Hansen, Susan Wymer, Jack Dunbar, Elaine Gilliland, Bev Butler, Nick Leonhart.

Shepherd of Hope Pantry Friends: Grace, Trent, Ted & Sandra, Bill & Jan, Don, Gary, Charline, Gerald, Tommy, Logan, Robby, Peter, Octivia & Linda, Deborah, Ed, Laver, Regina, Katherine, Susan, Taissia, Denis, Daniela, Mark, Neita, Rodger, Joe, Tommy, Meridith, Amie, Savannah, Diane, Carlos, Rachel *and those known to God*.

Salvation Army Friends: Lisa & Lawrence, Ralph, Willie, Chris, Cheryl, Daphne, Paula, Madeline, Elizabeth, Amanda, Annalea, Jamar, Aoora, Oliver, Jason, Brandon, James, Kenny, Pee Wee, Lisa *and those known to God*.

Concern & Assistance: Those dealing with addiction while incarcerated. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans. Refugees and those living in fear of deportation. The people of Iran, Israel, Syria, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia.

Partnerships: Bishop Yehie Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Kevin Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; English Language Learning Classes, Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Street Hope; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band; Mercy Ships; Lutheran Church & School in Guatemala; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

Peace & Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Kyleigh Cole, Anthony Hu, HM, Andrew McDonald, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Sam Thompson, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

Church Council Leadership Team

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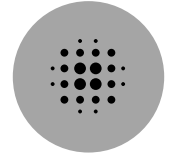
Dawn Titsworth

Pastor Stelter

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identities are united here in our mission to love God, Love Others, Serve.

OCTOBER 26



Theme: Reformation

This Sunday is to celebrate our history and learn about Lutheran worship, focusing on the pulpit and the sacrament of the altar.

WELCOME

If you are new, please sign a worship card and place it in the offering plate.

DIG IN, GROW DEEP, LEARN WITH OTHERS.

*Sunday School Classes
held at 10:15 a.m.*

Adult Bible Class: The Holy Land Revealed – In the classroom side of the Cup

Teen Sunday School (6th - 12th grade): In the Youth Room

Confirmation Class (8th - 10th grade): In the Library

Children's Sunday School for 5th grade and younger:

- Ye Littles of Faith for Kindergarten and younger in East hallway classroom next to Nursery
- The Mighty Kids Kingdom for 1st - 5th grades in West hallway classroom, 2 doors past youth room

Tuesday Bible Study (Open to All): In the classroom side of the Cup

NURSERY



Jesus welcomed everyone—and so do we! Children are a cherished part of our church family. Coloring pages are available near the center doors, and a staffed nursery is open on Sundays down the hall by the restrooms (with a convenient diaper changing station). For parents who'd like to stay with their little ones, our Cry Room at the back of the Sanctuary offers a comfortable space with a nursing area, diaper changing station, and full view of the service so you can participate in worship together.



**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE
HISTORY OF REFORMATION**

EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 19

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 10 a.m. English Language Class
- 10:15 a.m. Bible Study
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 4 p.m. Trunk or Treat (Farragut Pres Lot)
- 5 p.m. Celtic Service

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 12 p.m. Via de Cristo Reunion
- 6:15 p.m. English Language Class

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 1:30 p.m. Bible Study Class (Open to all)
- 5 p.m. Salvation Army Shelters Visit
- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

- 5:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 9:30 a.m. Cole Center Caregiver Community
- 7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 11 a.m. Al-Anon
- 4 p.m. - 4 p.m. All Tennessee Youth Gathering

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 10:15 a.m. Bible Study
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

Harvest Fest

- Sunday, October 26 from 2 - 4 p.m.

Trunk or Treat

- Sunday, October 26 from 4-6 p.m.

Blessing of the Pets

- Saturday, November 8. Bring your pets! Blessing of the Pets

Faith and Finances

- Wednesday, November 12, 4:45 pm - 6 pm

AREAS TO SERVE

To create this year's Holiday Baskets, we ask you help by providing stuffing mix, turkey gravy (dry mix), vegetable oil (32 oz.) and reusable bags.

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: 1 Samuel 2:1-10, 1 Peter 4:12-19, Psalm 84:8-12

Tuesday: Daniel 5:1-12, 1 Peter 5:1-11, Psalm 84:8-12

Wednesday: Daniel 5:13-31, Matthew 21:28-32, Psalm 84: 8-12

Thursday: Proverbs 15:8-11, 24-33, 2 Corinthians 1:1-11, Psalm 32: 1-7

Friday: Job 22:21-23:17, 2 Peter 1:1-11, Psalm 32:1-7

Saturday: Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18, Psalm 149 (1), Ephesians 1:11-23. Luke 6:20-31

Sunday: Isaiah 1:10-18, Psalm 32: 1-7, Luke 19: 19, 1-10, 2 Thessalonians 1: 1-4, 11-12,

Faithful Response

Offerings last week: \$ 8,858

Offerings year to date: \$640,690



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