



# REFORMATION Sunday

*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.*

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*All are welcome here*  
*All people of faith, All people of doubt*  
*All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression*  
*All people who seek a compassionate community*

*All are welcome here*  
*Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray*  
*Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks*  
*Welcome to serve God and neighbors*

*All are welcome here*  
*All are redeemed by a gracious God*



## *The Gathering*

(Please read this before worship begins.)

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I cannot say what Communion is any better than Luther, so I'll let him say it. In the Small Catechism Luther writes the following, and more in The Sacrament of the Altar.

*What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself.

*What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

This is shown by the words: "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." In the Sacrament, forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given to us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

*How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?*

It is not the eating and drinking that do these things, but these words: "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." These words are, along with the bodily eating and drinking, the main thing in the Sacrament. Anyone who believes these words has what they say: that is, the forgiveness of sins.

- As we travel this wilderness of COVID-19, it is right and proper for us to participate in the Eucharist as we are gathered as the church in person, as well as live streaming. Holy Communion takes place in the assembly of the Body of Christ.
- Online Communion is new territory for us as we navigate our new context. After reading Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, after much prayer and discernment, I believe this technology should be used in such manners to share God's grace, love, forgiveness and acceptance.
- As we assemble in person or live stream, when confessions are heard and forgiven, as the Word is proclaimed, it is proper for Communion to take place as we are then sent out as the Body of Christ for the world. I ask you to only commune as the live Word is spoken and not commune to the recording of this service.
- Please use bread and wine or a gluten free option and grape juice. Please prepare a plate and cup prior to service to have and share. If you have one and not the other, know that God is fully present in both elements and only one is necessary.

- God is the One working through the spoken Word in the mystery of communion. We don't fully know how, rather we know Jesus said, "Take, eat; this is My body," ... "Take this and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." God is the source of love infused into us through the Spirit as we partake of the Eucharist. We don't understand it fully; we fully believe Christ is there fulfilling His promises of forgiveness, life and salvation.

Remember: All Are Welcome – Hospitality fills God's Table – Everywhere!

Pastor Randy

### **Prelude Music**

*That Priceless Grace* setting, Aaron David Miller

*The Church's One Foundation Suite on Aurelia* Robert A. Hobby

*Erhalt uns, Herr* Michael Burkhardt

### **Call to Worship**

(inspired by Psalm 46~ written by Thom Shuman, and posted on [Lectionary Liturgies](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/). <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/>)

- P Be still!
- C **We come to quiet ourselves in this time of holiness.**
- P Be still and know . . .
- C **We come to discern the Word which can set us free.**
- P Be still and know that God is
- C **our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.**

### **Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness for Reformation Sunday**

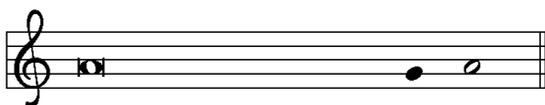
(written by Bill Wessner, and posted on his [Confession RCL](http://www.confessionrcl.com/) website.)

- P Let us put aside our good works and remember that we do sin and fall short of the glory of God.  
Lord of all,
- C **the demands of your righteousness are too hard for us to fulfill alone, so we rush off with this excuse and ignore your law.**  
**You forgive our iniquity and remember our sin no more, and we abuse this freedom as if it were a license to selfishness, self-indulgence and self-righteousness.**  
**You give us the gift of grace: atonement in the blood your Son, yet we make it cheap without serious repentance.**  
**We fail to see the power of your faithfulness. We are your people, but do we know you as our God? Forgive us Lord, the sins we know in our heart. Save us Lord from the sins we hide.**
- P God of our refuge and strength...
- C **have mercy on us, write on our hearts. Amen**
- P God does show us God's own righteousness, and divine mercy.  
Through the work of the Holy Spirit given to us, we may come to know the truth and be made free.  
Jesus Christ the Son of God sets us free from our slavery to sin. Our sins are forgiven.  
Through his death and resurrection a place is made for us in the household, and we may be know as children of God.  
To the glory of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

### **Greeting**

- P The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**

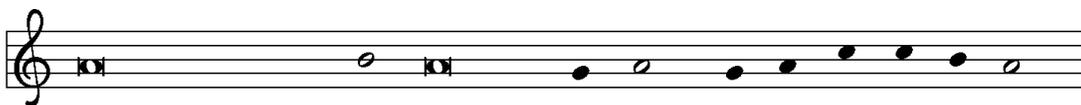
# Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



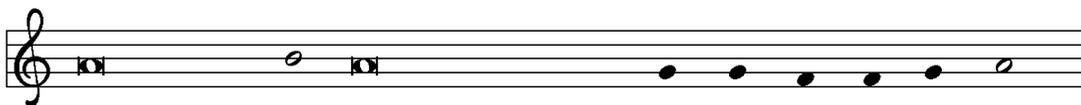
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



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

# Hymn of Praise

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Prayer of the Day

(~ in "Seasons of the Spirit – Reformation Day (Years A,B,C). Posted on **Seasons Online**, [https://www.seasonsonline.ca/files/reformation-day\\_cong-life](https://www.seasonsonline.ca/files/reformation-day_cong-life))

P Reforming God,  
we give you thanks for your forgiveness and your blessing.  
We pray for ourselves and your church throughout the world.  
Fill us with a spirit of openness to your Spirit,  
to hear and receive your promises and to keep our covenant with you.  
Where we are corrupt, purify us.  
Where we are in error, direct us.  
Where we are in need, provide for us.  
Where we are divided, reunite us.  
And where we are close-minded, reform us and make us new.  
We pray in Jesus' name.

C **Amen.**

## *The Word*

L A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

### **Jeremiah 31:31-34**

*The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the LORD means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.*

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 46**

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**  
<sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.  
<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.**  
<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the break of day.  
<sup>6</sup>**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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

<sup>9</sup>behold 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.

<sup>10</sup>**“Be still, then, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

<sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

L A reading from the book of Romans.

### **Romans 3:19-28**

*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.*

<sup>19</sup>Now 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. <sup>20</sup>For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom 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; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

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

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

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

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

### **John 8:31-36**

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

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup>They 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?’”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children's Sermon

Sermon

*"Remembering Reformation Freedom"*

Pastor Randy Schroeder

Hymn of the Day: ELW (red), hymn 517: *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and



by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son  
Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we  
u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife



and bring to naught all he has done.  
may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

## Blessing of the Quilts and School Kits

P God of wonder and creation, we come before you today to ask for your blessings on these quilts and school kits made with loving hands and hearts.

C **We pray for your blessing.**

P We give you thanks for the variety of gifts that were used to make each quilt and kit. We give thanks for the fabric, the thread, for sewing machines, for faithful quilters who cut squares, tied knots, designed patterns, ironed fabric and made backs and fillers, and for school supplies donated to fill the bags.

C **We give thanks for the variety of gifts you provide.**

P We give thanks for the fellowship of all who worked to make these quilts and kits. We give thanks for the laughter, for shared stories, for mutual care and concern and for the joy of artistry and crafting with hands and heart.

C **We give thanks for the joy of fellowship and community.**

P We lift up to you the ministry of Lutheran World Relief and our partnership with them to be your hands and feet in this hurting world. May these quilts be used to bring warmth, shelter from heat, walls for a home or a carrier for precious few belongings. May these quilts be a step towards recovery in the lives of sisters and brothers in need. May these kits enable education and bring about better lives for those who learn.

C **We pray for the poor, the homeless, refugees and all those in need.**

P We pray for those who live in poverty, for those who flee from war and danger, for those who are lost and alone. We ask that you bless these quilts and kits and those who receive them. May they be used in your service. May they bring comfort and warmth. And we pray that you will hasten the day when all people are gathered into your mighty presence to lift our voices together, in unison, in high praise and adoration. We pray in Christ's name.

C **Amen.**

## 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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

## Prayers of Intercession

**A** With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

**A** Renew and inspire the church in the freedom of the gospel, O God. Where the church is in error, reform it. Where the church speaks your truth, strengthen it. Where the church is divided, unify it. Ignite in us the working of the Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** As the earth changes, as mountains shake and the waters roar, may we care for this planet as a holy habitation for all living things. Sustain all peoples and lands recovering from natural disasters of any kind. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Guide areas of the world divided or traumatized by conflict, especially in our own land. Free all from slavery and human trafficking, and protect all in harm's way. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- A Release those living in bondage to debts, chronic pain, or addiction. Grant healing touch to those who are ill, especially Herb, Candy, Jason, Fil & Shirley, Rosalie, Mary, Jeff, John, Denise, Pr. Judy, Barb, Tom, Charlotte, Donna, Helmut & Carol, John, Kim, Joe, Lynn, Connor & Mason, Jim, Nancy, Jeanette, Chris, Susan, Victoria, Julie & Carl and their families, Jennifer, and family & friends of Myra. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- A In this family of faith we give thanks for courageous voices that have remained firm in their commitment to the one who frees us from sin and death. Centered in your grace, unify us in the hope of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- A Even in death, you free us and give us a place in your house. We give thanks for our ancestors who have shown us truth and freedom, especially Martin Luther and those who work for the renewal of the church. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

#### Peace

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C **And also with you.**

## *The Meal*

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- Please have your wine and bread ready for the Meal. It would be best to use grape juice or wine and a small portion of bread or gluten free option for the Eucharist.
- Please participate by lifting the bread and the wine as the pastor lifts the bread and wine.
- If everyone in the family is healthy please take the time to commune each other; presenting the bread first and saying, “the Body of Christ given for you” and then the wine/juice saying, “the Blood of Christ shed for you.” If you’re not feeling well, please commune yourself as you are able.
- The elements (bread and juice or wine) should be consumed in their entirety or returned to the earth as once they are consecrated they are the Body and Blood of Christ. Please do not throw Jesus in the trash or down the drain.

#### Offering

Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (John Mills is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option if you wish to contact him. His email address is [john\\_r\\_mills@icloud.com](mailto:john_r_mills@icloud.com))



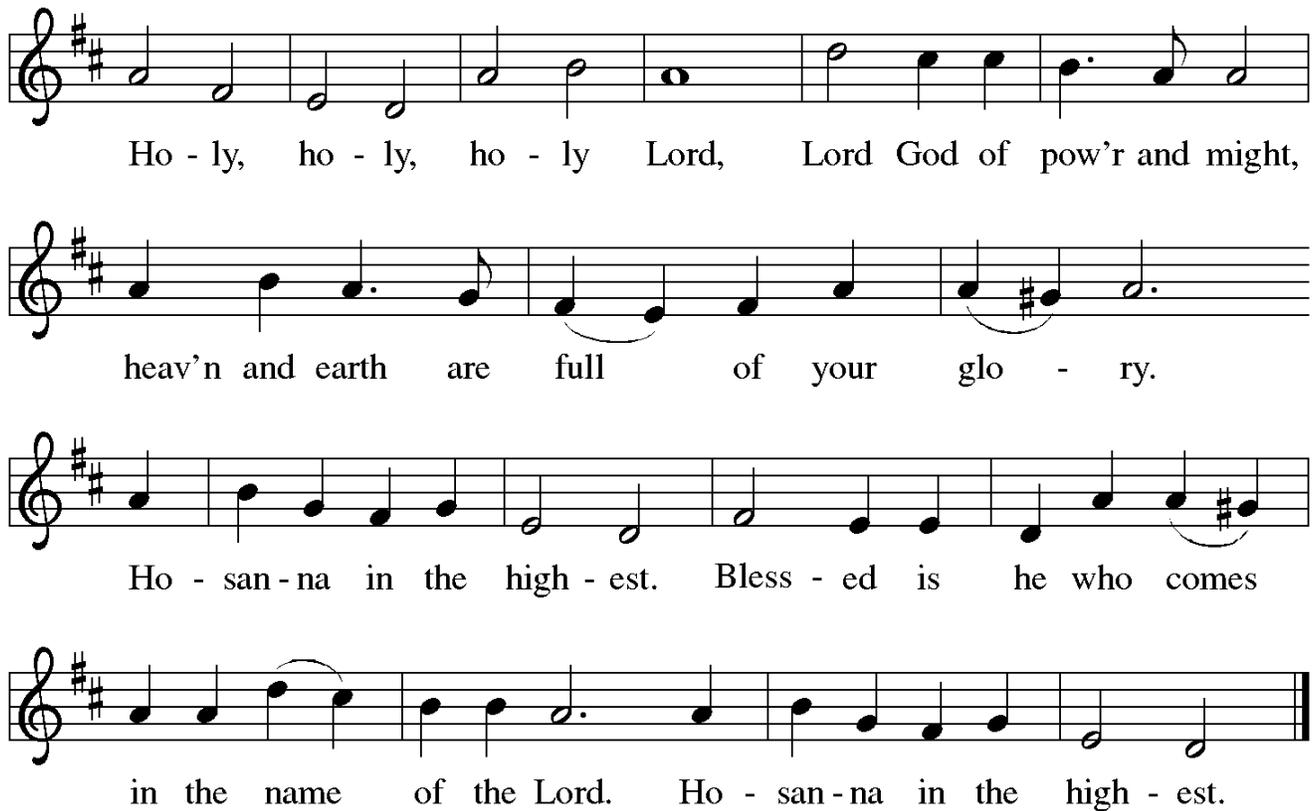
**Offertory: Choir Anthem: *A Mighty Fortress***

**Offering Prayer**

- A Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.  
You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.  
Prepare us for your heavenly banquet,  
nourish us with this rich food and drink,  
and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world,  
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C **Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
you have brought us this far along the way.  
In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,  
but guided us into the path of love and light.  
In every age you sent prophets  
to make known your loving will for all humanity.  
The cry of the poor has become your own cry;  
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.  
In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant  
to preach good news to the afflicted,  
to break bread with the outcast and despised,  
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

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 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.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,  
we await the day when Jesus shall return  
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.  
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen

**C Amen.**

P Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,  
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup  
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.  
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen

**C Amen.**

P Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,  
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,  
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.  
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

## Invitation to Communion

**P** So come to this table, which now extends into our homes, you who have faith and you who would like to have faith; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

## Lamb of God

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.

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen,  
keep and unite us, now and for ever.  
**C** Amen.

## Prayer after Communion

- A We give you thanks, gracious God,  
that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare,  
the body and blood of Christ.  
Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven,  
into your beloved vineyard  
to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst,  
guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ  
and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## The Sending

Sending Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 654, verse 1 & 5: *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,  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



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;  
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



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,  
Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



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.  
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900  
Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

**Prayer for Reformation Sunday** (— written by Mia-pappi, and posted on the [Kaikesta huolimatta/No matter what blog.](#) )

**P** God of Righteousness,  
do not let us bury ourselves into the bunkers of this-is-how-it-always-has-been.  
Reforming God, give us courage to look for reformation when we've become too set in our ways.  
Do not let us be too afraid of change.  
Loving God, please give us courage and faith to give room for your Spirit in our lives,  
in the lives of our families and, ultimately, in the life of our Church. And as you do that, please fill us  
with your love and joy, so that we could be the salt of the Earth and the light of the World.  
In the name of your Son, our loving Savior,

**C** **Amen.**

**Blessing**

**P** Mothering God,  
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

**C** **Amen.**

**Dismissal**

**A** Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stick around; the Zoom meeting will continue with a virtual “Coffee Hour” and Adult Forum.*

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**Worship Assistants Today:** Beth Dana (Musician), Julie Huetteman (Assisting Minister), Carl Huetteman (Lector), Emily Ohland (Cantor), Bob Nielsen (A-V Specialist)

**OSLC – Our Shepherd Leading with Courage** is the theme for this year's Stewardship Campaign. If you've already returned your pledge of support, thank you. Your support of our ministry is greatly appreciated. If you haven't returned your pledge, please mail your completed pledge card in the provided envelope to the church.

**Pints with a Pastor**

If you'd like to participate, send Pastor Randy an email [randy@osluth.org](mailto:randy@osluth.org) ) and he will send you a Zoom invite.

The next **Pints with a Pastor** will take place via Zoom on **Monday, October 26 at 6:56 P.M.** (for adults).

**Sunday School for Toddlers—High School**

Look for an email to register and links to participate as you are able.

## Adult Forum Today Via Zoom

While Our Saviour continues to worship remotely, online Adult Forum discussions will be available starting after a short coffee hour. Today we'll be joined by **Wes Tillett, LUM Executive Director**. Please stay on Zoom following worship.

**Adult Forum Topic for November 8<sup>th</sup>: Cindy Modlin Adams, Advanced Healthcare Directives Part 2 with Q&A Session**

## Donations Needed

The Faith Formation Ministry Team is hosting a **Drive Through Trick or Treat in the OSLC parking lot on October 31 from 2-4 P.M.** We'll be assembling bags of candy, craft items, and OSLC Information. We would appreciate your contributions of individually wrapped candy. Look for a box in the narthex labeled "Candy for Drive Through Trick or Treat." All kids are welcome to attend. **Please note: this is a drive through only event.**

## Book Discussion Group

We'll meet via Zoom **today at 5 P.M.** The book for October is *The Hideaway* by **Lauren Denton**. Email Sandra ([sandra@osluth.org](mailto:sandra@osluth.org)) for an invite.

## Social Justice Discussion: Thursday, October 29, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

We'll be watching a TED Talk by Mark Charles on the Doctrine of Discovery and the truth behind "We the People." Let Scott Vana know ([scottv1162@gmail.com](mailto:scottv1162@gmail.com)) if you'd like a Zoom invite: You can watch the talk ahead of time at

<https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-1-d&q=mark+charles+ted+talk>

About the talk: Mark Charles is the son of an American woman of Dutch heritage and a Navajo man, Mark Charles offers a unique perspective on three of the most misinterpreted words in American History. Written in the Papal Bulls of the 15th Century, embedded in our founding documents in the 18th Century, codified as legal precedent in the 19th Century and referenced by the Supreme Court in the 20th and 21st Centuries, the Doctrine of Discovery has been used throughout the history of the United States to keep "We the People" from including all the people.

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