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The Festival of the Reformation - October 26<sup>th</sup>, Year of our Lord 2025 The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

# **Order of Worship – Divine Service - Setting 3**

**Preludes** - Time for silent prayer and preparation for confession **Please rise and face the procession turning to the altar when the celebrant has passed by.** 



# Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.

- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

### **Absolution**

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen

# **Service of the Word**

Introit (Congregation chants the bold stanzas)



I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.

- I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*
  His praise shall continually be | in my mouth.
- My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;\*
  let the humble hear | and be glad.
  Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;\*
  I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.
- The LORD redeems the life of His | servants;\* none of those who take refuge in Him will | be condemned.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.

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# **Collect of the Day** – *Prayed by Pastor*

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Please be seated.

#### The Old Testament:

#### Revelation 14:6–7

Then 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. And 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."

# Gradual - Chanted by the cantor Psalm 46:1–11)

God is our ref- | uge and strength,\*

A very present help in | trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the | earth gives way,\*
Though the mountains be moved into the heart | of the sea,

Though its waters | roar and foam,\*

Though the mountains tremble at its | swelling.

There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,\* The holy habitation of the | Most High.

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

The nations rage, the kingdoms | totter;\*
He utters His voice, the | earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is | with us;\*
The God of Jacob is our | fortress.

Come, behold the works | of the LORD,\*
How He has brought desolations | on the earth.

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

"Be still, and know that | I am God.\*

I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted | in the earth!"

The LORD of hosts is | with us;\*
The God of Jacob is our | fortress.

# The Epistle: Romans 3:19–28

Now 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. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

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

Then 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. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

# Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst. Alleluia



# The Holy Gospel

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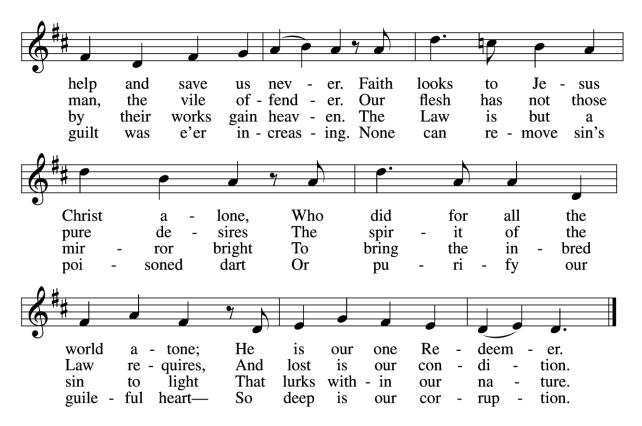
John 8:31-36

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

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

Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

#### **Nicene Creed** 191 Please be seated. Hymn of the Day- Salvation unto Us Has Come 555 By God's free va - tion has come un - to us grace What God did His Law de - mand And none could in to Him 3 It mis - lead - ing dream That God His was false, Law had 4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain. Sin held sway un-Good They vor; works vert our doom, fa can - not For der Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand ren



- 5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
   Or we must die despairing,
  Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
   Our human nature sharing.
  He has for us the Law obeyed
  And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
  Which over us impended.
- And brought to us salvation,
  Each Christian therefore may be glad
  And build on this foundation.
  Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
  Your death is now my life indeed,
  For You have paid my ransom.
- 7 Let me not doubt, but truly seeYour Word cannot be broken;Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"No falsehood have You spoken.

Baptized into Your precious name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.

8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin
And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in
The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.

△10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace;
All glory to His merit.
O triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed Your saving love;
Your blessèd name we hallow.

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# What we believe: The Sacrament of the Altar

We welcome to the Lord's Supper all those who are presently communicant members in good standing at Prince of Peace. If you have never received Holy Communion at Prince of Peace from Pastor Foy, please see him before you commune. Thank you

# **Before receiving the Sacrament**

Lord, who art Thou and who am I, that I should place Thee in the foul sewer of my body and soul. A thousand years of tears would not suffice to make me worthy of once receiving so noble a sacrament. Who am I, wretched man, who daily sins, continues without amendment, and approaches in sin. Yet Thy mercy is infinitely greater than my misery. Therefore, trusting in Thee, I presume to approach. Amen.

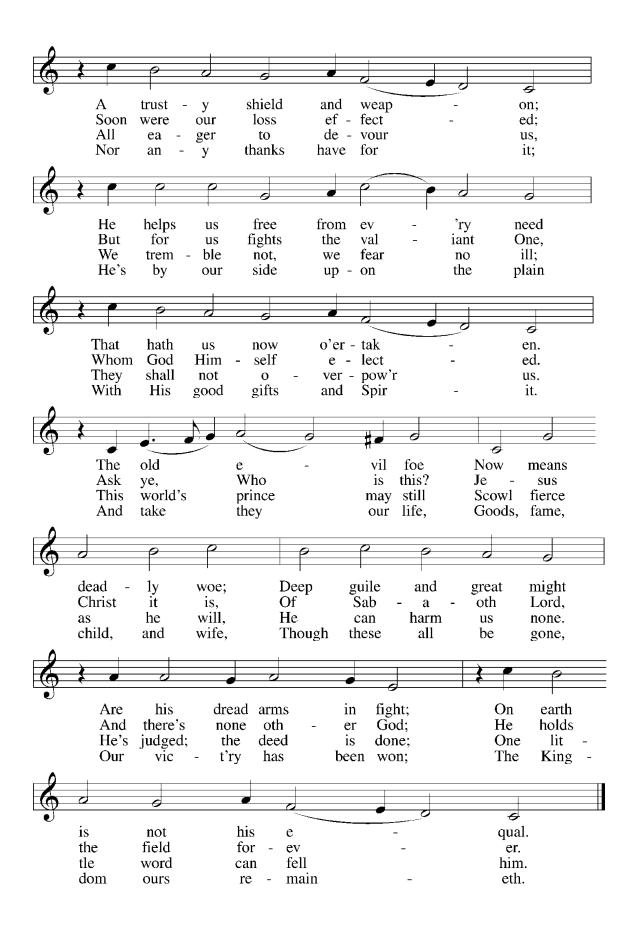
# After receiving the Sacrament

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. (Gal.2:20)

What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

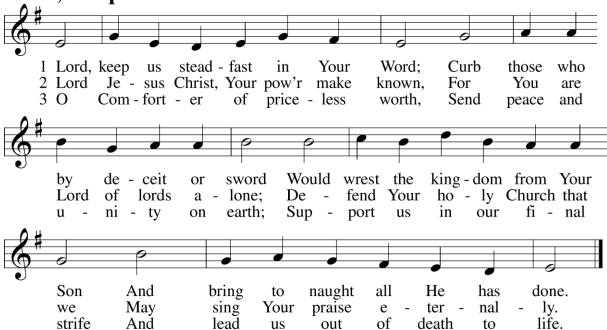
# Distribution Hymns – *Please be seated.* (sung by all before communing)





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By Grace I'm saved



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct

3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Say - ior, Came down to earth to

4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer-tain; As long as God i



have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er, of your bear our sin. Was it be - cause own mer - it true, it stands. What saints have penned by in spi - ra - tion,



ev - er false - hood taught? Has Scrip-ture No! Then this word must Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and His Word our God com-mands, What in Our faith in what our



 $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y}$ true re - main: you And are saved by grace a - lone. sins a - tone, we grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne. God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried, By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide. Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?

By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice; For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice. My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

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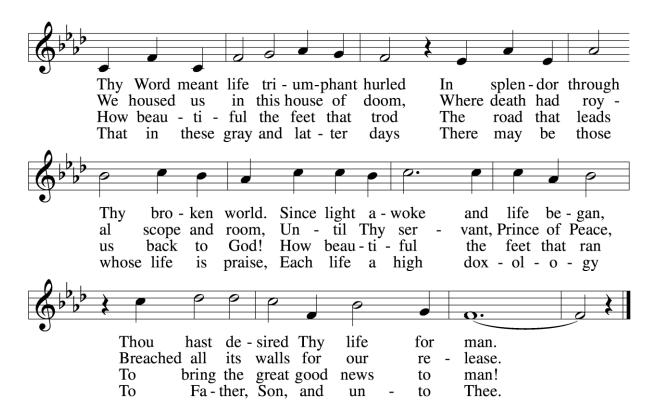
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Please face the procession until the celebrant has passed and then face back towards the altar.

# Closing Hymn –O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

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<u>Altar Flowers</u> are given to the glory of God for all of the blessings He has bestowed upon me through His Son Jesus and in remembrance of my parents, Louis & Marge Frisch, my aunt Marie Frisch, my dear departed friend Mavis Goffney, and my dear friend Mike Arnold who suffers from cancer. *Heidi Frisch* 

Stockings for the Willows: There is a new sign up sheet for items enjoyed by the Willow residents posted by our entrance. These items may be placed in a box marked Willows or if you prefer to make a cash donation to help purchase items, there is also a donation jar marked Willows. The box and jar are located in Pastor's former office off the Narthex. Your continued support here is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

<u>Lutheran World Relief personal care kits.</u> We will continue to collect items for the Lutheran World Relief Personal Care kits throughout the year. A donation box is located in Pastor's former office. Items needed new dark colored bath towels, nail clippers, tooth brushes, bars of bath soap & sturdy combs. Items may be placed in the box located in Pastor's former office off the Narthex.

<u>Seminary Gift Emporium</u> We will also continue to collect money for gift cards for the Seminary Gift Emporium throughout the year. A jar is located by the flower chart in the Narthex. Even an occasional dollar would help purchase gift cards for the Seminary Students.

<u>Valpo Homeless Shelter Meal:</u> The shelter provides 3 meals for 35-40 people in need everyday. Prince of Peace will deliver a meal November 15th. A sign-up sheet of items needed is located in the foyer. Thank you for giving a meal for those in need.

Congregation Meeting & Potluck Sunday NOVEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our Annual congregation meeting will be held immediately after the Divine service. This is the meeting to review our 2026 budget, officer slate, and other issues of the congregation. Please plan to attend. Your voice is important. Our November potluck will be at the same time. Please bring something to share. Beverages and dinner service will be provided.

<u>Seminary Clothing Co-op:</u> We are accepting clothing for the Ft Wayne Seminary clothing coop. Please bring clothing bagged and in good condition with <u>no stains or tears</u> for men, women and children. Socks and undergarments must be new and in original package. We will get everything delivered clothing co-op Thank you.

**Eggs for sale:** There are eggs this week. PLEASE ONLY TAKE 1! They are donated to the ladies guild to sell for LWML. Sorry, they **are** not free. Please give at least \$2 for a dozen into the box on the kitchen counter. Pastor

**Coffee Hour:** Please make a small donation for the goodies you eat. Thank you.

<u>SUNDAY - Bible Study:</u> We are studying the 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle of St. Peter after the Divine Service, in the Parish Hall. We begin at 10:45 Pastor

#### For the coming Week

Organist: Jennifer Symer <u>Elders</u>: Josh, Carl, Jeff, Paul

Altar Guild Servers: Cheryl, Deb, Cathy, Helen Morning Divine Service: Wednesday 11:00 a.m. Weekday Bible Study: Wednesday 11:45 a.m.

Bethesda Services: Wednesday 4:00 pm

**Veterans:** As requested with pastor.

# **PRAYERS FOR:**

All who mourn the loss of loved ones especially those martyred

**PRAYER FOR SHUT-INS:** Mike Foy, Darlene McDonald, Marilyn Skinner, Jim & Lois Brown, Ruth Koeppen

# THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Craig McCall, Seneca Newkirk

#### **PRAYER FOR HEALING:**

Bonnie Broviak- Dr Care

Jim Brown- Remission

Robert Sprout - Cancer

Crog Mobilio Vidney Issues

Pat Maile - Dr Care

Dave McCall - Dr Care

Mike Arnold - Cancer

Kon Platt - Prokon Him

Robert Sprout - Cancer
Greg Mohlke - Kidney Issues
Bill Lomas - Lung issues
Jo Thompson - Cancer

Mike Arnold - Cancer
Ken Platt - Broken Hip
Ellen Strutz - Cancer
Mary Cruz - ALS

Josh Hardesty - Recovery Betty Sut - Cancer

Marilyn Skinner – Cancer Buz Berdine - Pneumonia Lillie Johnston – Alzheimers Rick dahl–Recovering

Lois Brown – Parkinsons Ginny Fox - Cancer

Pete Sut – Cancer Carol Becker – Dr Care

Sandy Billie – Elbow Therapy
Bob Granzow – Dr Care

Jerry Weingarden - Cancer
Jim Freese – Back Surgery

**Kevin Lomas – Heart Surgery Paula Rukavina – Cancer** 

Please give the Church Office updates Thank you Pastor

**THOSE EXPECTING A CHILD** 

### THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Jack Dorulla 10/29 Ava Dorulla 10/29 Christina Moser 11/1

#### THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Steve Pierce 10/27 Michael Billy 10/29 Fran Duvall 10/31 Tylor Elkins 11/01

#### **THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES**

Carl & Stephanie DeVries 10/27

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#### **Chrismon for the Reformation**

Rev 14.6-7

The early Lutherans saw the prophesy of the angel flying in midair preaching the everlasting gospel fulfilled in the Reformation of the Church that God worked through his servant, Martin Luther. The word "angel" means messenger. Sometimes it is applied to preachers, as for

example in the second and third chapters of Revelation where the pastors of the seven churches of Asia Minor are called angels.

The angel is flying in midair. He is not on the earth. The everlasting gospel that he proclaims does not originate here on earth with men. It is revealed by God. He flies in midair – directly overhead – safe from the destructive power of the devil that comes from below. He preaches to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people. God protects him.

When Luther faithfully proclaimed the pure gospel that sinners were justified and saved by God, through faith alone in Christ their Savior and not on account of their deeds or merits, but solely on account of the obedience and suffering of Jesus, he was labeled a dangerous heretic. He was told to recant his teaching. He refused. He was put under the ban by the Emperor. Anyone could kill him with impunity. He had no rights anyone needed to respect. The pope excommunicated him, but it was invalid because the pope is not, as he claims, the head of the Catholic Church. Jesus Christ was and is and will always be the only head of the Church in heaven and on earth and Martin Luther was a messenger sent by Jesus to proclaim the everlasting gospel by which the Church is born, lives, and survives all the attacks against her.

We need nothing less than that pure eternal gospel that Martin Luther discovered in the Holy Scriptures and faithfully proclaimed to his generation. We pray that God will always provide us with angels – faithful messengers – who will proclaim the saving truth. This will keep the Church safe from harm.

# What was the Reformation about?

Sola Gratia – Grace Alone Sola Fide – Faith Alone Sola Scriptura – Scripture Alone