Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? 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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

...People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

...Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ!

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

#### \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... God of grace, receive our prayer.

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

#### \*PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY - "God is Our Refuge and Strength" by W.A. Mozart

#### \*OFFERING SONG

"Let the Vinevards Be Fruitful"

ELW Hymn 184

#### \*OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**MEAL** 

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW Page 129 ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### SANCTUS: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

ELW page 130

We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ your beloved Son... ...with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.



#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

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#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At the direction of the usher, please come forward, forming two lines in the center aisle, to stand or kneel at the chancel rail to receive the gift of God's living Word in bread and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and you may choose wine (glass) or alcohol-free juice (stainless steel). To receive communion at your seat, simply notify an usher. All are welcome at this table.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

"Lamb of God"

"Savior, When in Dust to You"

ELW Page 135 ELW Hymn 601

#### \*TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

#### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

### **SENDING**

#### \*BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, # bless you now and forever.

Amen.

#### \*SENDING HYMN

"We All Are One in Mission"

ELW Hymn 576

#### \*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

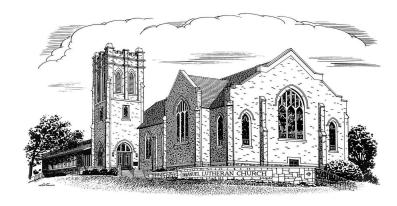
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"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow," by Michael Burkhardt (b. 1957) Based on ELW 885

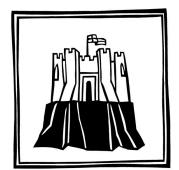
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## **Welcome to Worship**

## **Reformation Sunday**



October 26, 2025 10:00 a.m



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\*Please stand as you are able

October 26, 2025
10:00 a.m.
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(red hymnal), and hymns in the back.
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**GATHERING** 

#### **PRELUDE**

"Aurelia," by Percy E. Fletcher (1879-1932) Based on ELW 654

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### TEMPLE TALK

"Sharing God's Gifts" - Jeff Fox

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.** 

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stiff-necked people.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your grace to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.
Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven! Amen.

#### \*GATHERING HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

ELW Hymn 504

#### \*GREETING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

\*GLORIA

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#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.** 

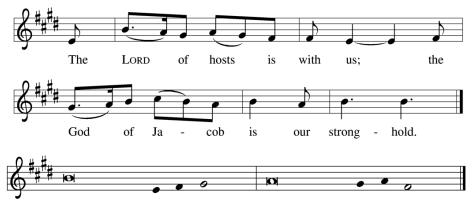
#### WORD

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

31 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. 32 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. 33 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. 34 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.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God

## **PSALMODY: Psalm 46**



- 1 God is our ref- | uge and strength, a very present | help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;

3 though its waters | rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

4 There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,

#### the holy habitation of | the Most High.

- 5 God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken; God shall help it at the | break of day.
- 6 The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth | melts away. R

7 The Lord of | hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

# 8 Come now, regard the works | of the Lord, what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;

9 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.

#### 10 "Be still, then, and know that | I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth."

11 The Lord of | hosts is with us; the God of Jacob | is our stronghold. **R** 

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

19 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. 20 For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

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

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

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

The Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

31 Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 33 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'?"

34 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The 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."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **SERMON**

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW Hymn 599

#### **CONFIRMATION**

Let us pray...

...in the name of Christ, Amen.

"Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

#### I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

#### I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

#### I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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