



KIMBALL MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
 101 VANCE ST. KANNAPOLIS, NC 28081

October 27, 2024

Reformation Sunday

8:30 am

GATHERING MUSIC

The Wonderful Cross

Tomlin, Watts, Walt, Reeves, Mason

VERSE



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2. See from His head, His hands, His feet, sor - row and
 3. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an



Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I count but
 love flow min - gled down; Did e'er such love and sor - row
 of - f'ring far too small. Love so a - maz - ing, so di -



loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride. crown? O the
 meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a all.
 vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my _____

CHORUS



won - der - ful cross, O the won - der - ful cross bids me come and die and find



that I may tru - ly live. O the won - der - ful cross, O the



won - der - ful cross; All who gath - er here by grace draw near and bless



Your name. _____

VERSE

Strength will rise as we wait up - on the Lord, we will wait
 up - on the Lord, we will wait up - on the Lord. Strength will rise as we wait
 up - on the Lord, we will wait up - on the Lord, we will wait up - on the Lord. Our God,

PRE-CHORUS

You reign for - ev - er. Our Hope, our strong De - liv -

CHORUS

'rer. You are the ev - er - last - ing God, the ev -
 er - last - ing God, You do not faint, You won't grow wea - ry.
 You're the de - fend - er of the weak, You com - fort those in need.

INSTRUMENTAL

You lift us up on wings like ea - gles. ea - gles.

PRE-CHORUS

Our God, You reign

PRE-CHORUS

for - ev - er. Our Hope, our strong De - liv - - -

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WELCOME

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray. 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.

C Amen.

LET'S TALK

Children's Time

READING Psalm 46

L A reading from Psalm 46.

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
- ³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- ⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.
- ⁶ The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- ⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- ⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
- ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.
- ¹⁰ 'Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.'
- ¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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

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GOSPEL 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.

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

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

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. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P The Gospel of the Lord

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

SERMON

Pastor John Futterer

SCRIPTURE SONG

Make Me a Servant

Kelly Willard

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek. Lord, let me lift up
7 those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart al - ways be: Make me a
14 ser - vant, make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant to - day. _____

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

A Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A Please kneel or be seated for the Prayers of the Church.

Prayer petitions will conclude: "God of grace,"

The congregation's response is: "hear our prayer."

P Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be God, the one who forms us, + Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C Amen.

P Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Steadfast and faithful God,

C you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

A With the people of God in Christ now and in every time, let us confess our faith.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

A The peace of Christ be with you.

C And also with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

We have two options for Communion during this time. You are free to come forward to receive the bread and pre-filled cups of wine from our clergy and lay assistants, returning to your seats after you've deposited the empty cup and following the guidance of our ushers; or you may continue to use the pre-packaged communion elements which are available from the ushers at the entrance to the Sanctuary. However you choose to receive Communion this morning, know that we are glad you're here for this Sacrament!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit let us pray, as Jesus taught.

C 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

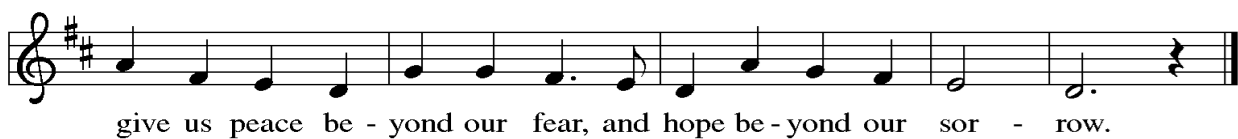
P Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

Receive the Elements as the words are said:

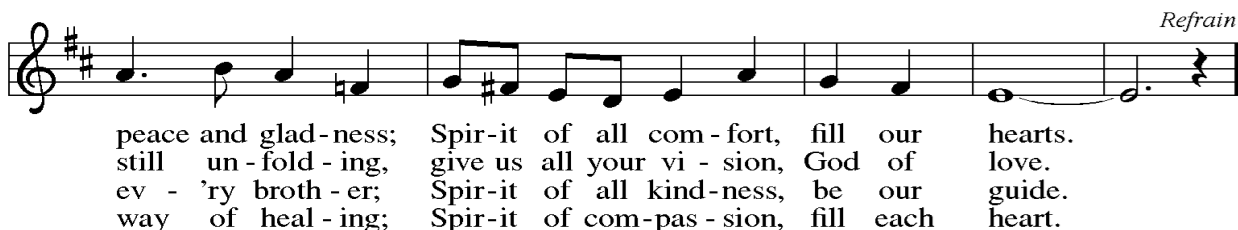
The Body of Christ given for you; The Blood of Christ shed for you.

Healing Prayer is available under the balcony during Communion if you desire prayer.

COMMUNION SONG ELW 612 Healer of Our Every Ill HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His Grace. C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace. C Amen.

SENDING SONG

God of Wonders

Marc Byrd, Steve Hindalong

INTRO

VERSE 1

1. Lord of all cre - a - tion, of wa - ter earth, and sky;
The heav - ens are Your tab - er - nac - le. Glo - ry to the Lord on high!

CHORUS 1

God of won - ders be - yond our gal - ax - y, You are ho - ly, ho - ly. The
u - ni - verse de - clares Your maj - es - ty, You are ho - ly, ho - ly.

2nd time to Coda **INSTRUMENTAL**

Lord of heav - en and earth, Lord of heav - en and earth.

VERSE 2

2. Ear - ly in the morn - ing,
I will cel - e - brate the light. When I stum - ble in the dark - ness
I will call Your name by night. *D.S. al Coda*

Coda **BRIDGE**


Hal - le - lu - jah, to the
Lord of heav - en and earth. Hal - le - lu - jah, to the Lord of heav - en and earth.

42  Hal - le - lu - jah, to the Lord of heav - en and earth. You are


46 **CHORUS 2**  ho - ly. God of won - ders be - yond our gal - ax - y, You are

50  ho - ly, ho - ly. Pre - cious Lord, re - veal Your heart to me. Fa - ther,

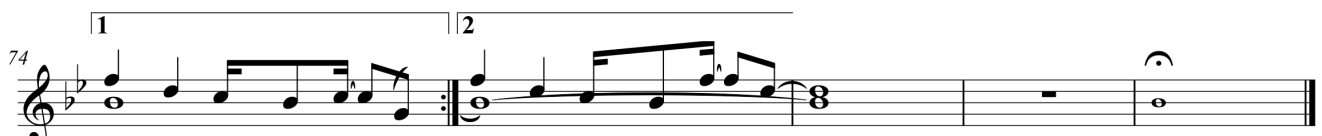
54  hold me, hold me. The u - ni - verse de - clares Your maj - es - y, You are

58  ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

CHORUS 3  God of won - ders be - yond our gal - ax - y, You are ho - ly, ho - ly.

67  Pre - cious Lord re - veal Your heart to me, Fa - ther hold me, hold me.

ENDING  Hal - le - lu - jah, to the Lord of heav - en and earth. Hal - le - lu - jah, — to the.

74  (jah) — Lord of heav - en and earth. Lord of heav - en and earth. —

THE DISMISSAL

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SENDING MUSIC

O Worship the King
Kimball Handbell Choir

arr. Patricia Hurlbutt