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Reformation Sunday, Year B



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# PRELUDE

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross - the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.
- C: Amen.
- P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P: God of mercy and forgiveness
- C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.
- P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole.
  God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road.
  Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you, the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

O God, I call to you, come to me now; oh, hear my voice when I cry to you.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you, the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

Keep watch within me, God; deep in my heart may the light of your love be burning bright.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you, the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

All praise to the God of all--Creator of life; all praise be to Christ and the Spirit of love.

Let my prayer rise up like incense before you, the lifting up of my hands as an offering to you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY We pray together

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Almighty God,

C: 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.

#### Please be seated for the readings

#### FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:31-34

I will write my law in their hearts, says the LORD

<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.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD

## PSALM 46 We read responsively

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

#### Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

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

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;

God shall help it at the break of day.

#### The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

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.

#### "Be still, then, 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 stronghold.

# SECOND READING: ROMANS 3:19-28

Justified by God's grace as a gift

<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. WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD** 

## THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: John 8:31-36

#### C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

Jesus says, Continue in my word and you will know the truth

<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 THE LORD.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CHILDREN'S SONG & MESSAGE

MESSAGE PASTOR D.J. CHATELAINE

#### HYMN

No. 517

Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word; curb those who by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son and bring to naught all he has done.

2 Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are Lord of lords alone; defend your holy church, that we may sing your praise eternally.

3 O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth; support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM—

p. 234-236

ASSEMBLY AFFIRMATION P: Let us rejoice with our brother and sisters in Christ. C: 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, hear our prayer.

# SHARING OF PEACE

Rite of Confirmation

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

# OFFERING-OFFERTORY--GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.

# OFFERING PRAYER

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

GREAT THANKSGIVING Spoken

- 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.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION - LORD'S PRAYER INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

**DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS:** 

How Firm a Foundation	No. 796

1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word! What more can he say than to you he has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

3 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply. The flames shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine."

4 "Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove, my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

#### Thy Holy Wings

<u>No. 613</u>

1 Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me, and let me rest securely through good and ill in thee. Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place, and let my ev'ry moment be lived within thy grace.

2 Oh, let me nestle near thee, within thy downy breast where I will find sweet comfort and peace within thy nest. Oh, close thy wings around me and keep me safely there, for I am but a newborn and need thy tender care. 3 Oh, wash me in the waters of Noah's cleansing flood. Give me a willing spirit, a heart both clean and good. Oh, take into thy keeping thy children great and small, and while we sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.

# COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P: Holy God,
- C: you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# **BENEDICTION**

- C: Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN Remember and Rejoice No. 454

1 Remember and rejoice, renewed by floods of grace. We bear the sign of Jesus Christ, that time cannot erase.

2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most holy name, forever traced by water sign, and sealed by Spirit flame.

3 We pledge ourselves anew to flee the lures of hell, to cling to Christ's community, in justice, peace to dwell.

4 God, bless us by your grace; remind us of your care. Renewing Spirit, fill us now, inspire our work, our prayer.

5 Remember and rejoice, renewed by floods of grace. We bear the sign of Jesus Christ, that time cannot erase.

#### DISMISSAL by Confirmands

- L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

#### PARTICIPANTS

PRESIDER—Pastor D.J. Chatelaine WORSHIP ASSISTANT— Intern Yvonne Godfrey-Roesel ORGANIST—Tammy Hanson COMMUNION SET-UP— Larry & Kaia Lehman GREETERS—Donna Berge COMMUNION SERVERS—Confirmands COFFEE SERVERS—Church Council TECH TEAM—Steve Johnson Heidi Haugen, Holly Aldorfer, Barb Groth

#### WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Jennifer Lerfald, Lavon Underdahl, Kevin Hildebrandt, Jim Fountaine, Boe Aronson, Renee Spidahl-Carmichael, Brent Ashland, Carol Lozon, Dick Overby & Alpha Sathrum; & the family of Mel Kirchhoff.

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# CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THIS WEEK

Sun 10/27	9 am Worship – CONFIRMATION
5411 20/27	(SS sings at worship)
	10 am Sunday School
	10 am Coffee
	11 AM Confirmation Family
	Gathering
Wed 10/30	NO Confirmation
Thu 10/31	7 pm AA
Sat 11/2	Feed My Starving Children – Eagan
9:30 to 11:15	More below
Sun 11/3	9 am ALL SAINTS Worship
	10 am Sunday School
	10 am Coffee

#### SEEKING TECH TEAM MEMBER

The team is looking for another member to assist with live streaming on Sunday mornings. We'll Train You! Contact Steve Johnson 507-213-9577 or Heidi Haugen 507-649-0517.

#### LOOKING AHEAD -

Sat. Nov 2 – Feed My Starving Children - 9:30 to 11:15 am in Eagan. Volunteer Sign Ups Needed. Include # of people coming (children must be over age 5). Look for sign-up pages around the church or contact Bryana <u>flcyouth45!@gmail.com</u> or 507-210-0814 Signup Deadline: Oct 27

Tue. Nov 5 - 12-1 pm Sanctuary/Open for Prayer Time

<u>Sun. Nov 10</u> – Intergenerational Activity –10 am Church Basement - Help Pack Operation- Christmas-Child-Shoeboxes. Includes Potluck Meal. Gift Donations are needed. Find gift suggestions on posters around church, in your e-mail, or visit: https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmaschild/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/

*Women of the ELCA Thankoffering* <u>Sun. Nov 10</u> – *Thankoffering Worship*. Envelopes are available on Entry tables.

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