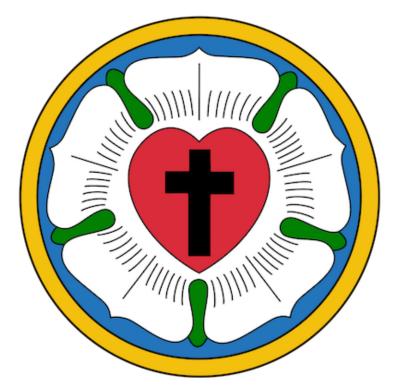
Reformation Sunday Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Sunday October 30, 2022



Mount Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday Service - 9:30am Sunday Bible Study – after Service Wednesday Bible Study – 10:30am

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Welcome! Members and Guests

We are blessed to have you here today. Please fill out the Guest/Member Attendance Card located in the pew rack in front of you. Guests please include your full address, zip code, and phone number. The cards will be collected by the ushers early in the service. Prayer Requests cards are available in the pew racks and should be handed to the ushers when the attendance cards are collected.

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which Jesus' body and blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-30). When we receive the Holy Communion at a church, we are making a public statement that we agree with the teachings of that church (1 Corinthians 10:14-18). The Bible cautions us against receiving the body and blood of Christ in a manner that is spiritually harmful (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Supper those who have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print worship guides are available at the ushers' stand.

Listening Devices

Listening devices are available; our ushers will be glad to assist you in signing one out for today's service.

Pew Cushions

Pew cushions are available; our ushers will be glad to get them for you.

Wheelchair Accessible Seating

Wheelchair seating is located in the fifth row from the front of the church on the left and right side of the center aisle.

Church Nursery

Our Nursery is located in the Parlor, which is the first room next to the stained glass doors. The worship service can be heard in this room. The ushers can direct you to this room.

Our Divine Service, & Bible Studies

Our Divine Service is held on Sundays at 09:30 a.m. Bible Study is held on Sundays after Service and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Our Bible studies are held Sep-May.

Our Vision Statement: Revitalize Within—Reach Out!

REFORMATION SUNDAY TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 30, 2022 PRELUDE THE RINGING OF THE BELLS PREPARATION

Pastor: Reformation Day is sometimes treated as merely a nod to history for those who claim Luther's legacy. But the great Reformation is not about recalling a hero. It is about reclaiming the Gospel in our own time. The once and eternal call is to "fear God and give Him glory" (Revelation 14:7). This fear is nothing less than faith, although it is more. It is respect for the Law that condemns our sin and trust in the Gospel that forgives us. It is reverence before the God who could have settled for being just but instead chose to be merciful. With joy, we claim the heritage and enjoin the responsibility of keeping this faith pure, vigorously proclaiming this faith both within and outside the company of the faithful.

(Please stand)

✤ PREPARATION ♣

HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" *LSB* 656 vs 1 & 4 A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'er-taken The old evil foe Now means deadly woe Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight On earth is not his equal

The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit And take they our life Goods fame child and wife Though these all be gone Our vic'try has been won The Kingdom ours remaineth

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the

▲ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated or kneel as you are able for the confession and absolution)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: 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. Pastor: 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.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please stand)

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INTROIT *Psalm 50:1–2, 14–15; antiphon: v. 23*

Pastor: The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies Me;

People: to one who orders his way rightly I will show the salvation of God!

Pastor: The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth

People: from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Pastor: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, **People: God shines forth.**

Pastor: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, People: and perform your vows to the Most High,

Pastor: and call upon Me in the day of trouble; People: I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me. GLORIA PATRI (sing)

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

KYRIE (sing)

All: Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Beautiful Saviour" LSB 537 vs 1 & 4 Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise adoration Now and forevermore be Thine!

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you. People: (spoken) And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

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.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Today we commemorate the great Reformation and lay claim to this legacy of pure doctrine and the zeal for the proclamation of this Gospel that grew out of this movement. We give thanks to God for His Gospel, for the doctrine that flows from that Gospel, and for Luther who recalled the Church to its truth with such clarity and conviction. In the First Reading from Revelation, we hear the message the Church is given to proclaim until Christ comes again. In Romans, Paul gives clear explanation of what it means to be saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. In the Gospel of Matthew, we are reminded that every age of Christianity has had to suffer attacks upon the Gospel from those who opposed its truth.

FIRST READING Revelation 14:6–7 ESV

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. ⁷ 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."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Grace Alone" Sung by Choir

EPISTLE Romans 3:19–28 ESV

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.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. People: (spoken) Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as we sing...)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH People: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

VERSE Luke 12:32

Pastor: Alleluia. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Alleluia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

People: (we sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 11:12–19 ESV

From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. He who has ears to hear, let him hear. "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, "'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. People: (we sing) Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

PRAYER REQUESTS:

please pass your requests to the person nearest the aisle and the ushers will pick them up during the singing of the hymn of the day. Thank you!!

HYMN OF THE DAY

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" LSB 575 vs 1,2, & 4 My hope is built on nothing less

Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; No merit of my own I claim But wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righteousness alone, Redeemed to stand before the throne! On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

++ SERMON ++

Habakkuk

Text: O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Habakkuk 1:2

Sermon Outline

- 1. Living in unsettled times like our own, Habakkuk complains to God.
- 2. God answers that even though the Babylonian juggernaut will come, Babylon, too, will be punished and the righteous shall live by his faith.
- 3. In fact, this Law and Gospel applies to all nations, then as now.

Whatever Era and Place People Live, "The Right-eous Shall Live by His Faith."

(Please stand as we prepare to confess our faith)

Nicene Creed

People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one

substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the emission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of come. Amen.

(Please be seated or kneel as you are able for the Prayer of the Church)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Gracious Father, we lift our hearts before You in gratitude for the work You have done, are doing, and will continue to do as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. In humble faith, we offer the prayers of our hearts before You, trusting in Your mercy to redeem, restore, and renew us by Your Holy Spirit. In a world of constant change, lead us to trust in You, knowing You govern all things in heaven and on earth for the benefit of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and help us to trust in You.

Pastor: You have sent Your Church, Lord Jesus, to be Your ambassadors and witnesses to the ends of the earth. Grant Your presence and peace to Your people, wherever they gather today, that by Your Word and Sacrament they may be united in their shared mission to live as Your people and declare the wonders of Your salvation. Grant that all who are lost in sin hear the Good News proclaimed and, by Your saving power, receive the forgiveness and life You freely give. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and unite us in Your mission.

Pastor: Gracious God, bless the land in which we live, making it prosper and flourish. Bless all those who lead and govern us, filling them with Your wisdom. Bless public servants and members of the armed forces, guiding their steps in the pathways of peace. Bless all those who serve You by serving others in their daily vocations, reminding them of the importance of their labors. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and bless us as Your people.

People: hear our prayer and bring healing to all who rely on You.

Pastor: Into Your loving care, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in You alone to seek and to save; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated as the offering is being received and Hymn 783 is sung)

OFFERING

HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB 783 vs 1-4 Take my life and let it be Consecrated Lord to Thee Take my moments and my days Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy Love Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee Take my voice and let me sing Always only for my King Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold Not a mite would I withhold Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

(Please stand)

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22 Pastor: The Lord be with you. People: (spoken) And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. **People:** (spoken) **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: (spoken) It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave. By His glorious resurrection, He opened to us the way to Your heavenly house, where we will one day dwell with You forever. On this very day, by this very Meal, in our very midst, salvation comes to us through Him who alone seeks and saves. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (sing) LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna in the highest Blessed is He Blessed is He Blessed is He Blessed is He Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for Your cleansing mercy and renewing grace that wash us clean in the blood of the Lamb. Christ alone is the Savior of all who trust in Him, and, at His gracious invitation, we come to You with thanksgiving in our hearts for His sacrifice for our sin, which He accomplished by His death and resurrection. Prepare our hearts to receive Him in repentant faith that, through Your Holy Spirit, we may rejoice in the salvation that comes to us in His body and blood.

People: To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- 1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20
- Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. **People:** (spoken) **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI (Sung) LSB 198 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"I Come, of Saviour, to Thy Table" LSB 618 vs 1 & 2 I Come O Savior to Thy table For weak and weary is my soul Thou Bread of Life alone art able To satisfy and make me whole

> Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see Who Lord to Thee in faith are turning So I a sinner come to Thee

Lord may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good

(Please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing followed by the Post-Communion Canticle)

THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

People: (spoken) Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sung) TLH p. 29-30 Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and our strength, You raised up Your servant Martin Luther to reform and renew Your Church in the light of Your living Word, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Defend and purify the Church in our own day, and grant that we may boldly proclaim Christ's faithfulness unto death and His vindicating resurrection, which You made known to those in every age who have renewed Your Church by recalling us to this eternal Gospel; through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ♥ give you peace.

People: (spoken) Amen.

HYMN

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" LSB 655 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

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

> 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord. People: (spoken) Thanks be to God!

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor Marie Brown, Organist Dave Hamilton, Elder & Reader Gary Mason, Glenn Cairns & Kim Armstrong, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Please call the church office to notify and/or confirm loved ones or family members who have been called to glory so we can include them in the All Saints Day worship service. Thank You.

BINGO!

November 2nd

Quilting

November 3rd

Thank you to

Mack Mayfield, Lori Wilson and family, and Jim Bumgarner, the five golfers from Mount Hope, and all the participants for the countless hours they have given of their time and contributions. And last but not least, The Gateway Golf Course. With all the expenses of \$4739.00 paid, <u>The net proceeds totaled \$5,493.00.</u> WE GIVE ALL GLORY TO OUR LORD!

Thank you to

Jim and Karen Bumgarner for delivering 40 quilts to the Grace Centers of Hope in Pontiac, Michigan! Also thank you ladies for your participation in the making of those quilts.

Thank you from your pastor

What a delightful surprise every afternoon to find one or two birthday greetings in the mailbox! Such a welcome daily surprise, and the card signed by all in attendance on Sunday, thank you. Bless and peace to one and all!!

Please join together

with your Downriver Area LCMS sister congregations for a joint Reformation service and a time of fellowship on Wednesday, November 2nd at 6:00pm at Calvary Lutheran Church, 3320 Electric Ave, Lincoln Park. A special offering for the Lutheran Heritage Foundation will be gathered to publish LHF's new Bible story book for teens, "God's Word for You," in the Thai language.

Attendance

Sunday October 23rd 9:30 am 38

Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary

Birthdays

David Brown – November 3rd

For the Shut-Ins

Dorothy MacTavish, at home Camell Faulk, at home Phyllis Witte, at home Melvin Kimbrough, at home Lynn Mayfield, at home Albert Glueck, at home Shirley Ripke, at home

For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

The Jim Doyle Family, wife Pat was called to glory after a long illness; pray for comfort and help to look to our Heavenly Father in their time of sorrow.

Shirley Ripke, for patience while dealing with health issues

Diane Brown, Sandy Cairns' sister

Cherie Hannan, coworker of Glenn Cairns, recovering from surgery.

Nena Mullins, Friend of Pam Benford, home and preparing for chemo treatments

Joan Hafkesbrink, for healing & patience

Jim Smith, for continued healing after surgery

Pat Bates, pray for continued strength and stamina

Linda Mesea, Pat Bates sister, seriously ill

Susan McPherson, friend of the Utcai's, now in rehab,

thank the Lord for the progress.

TO HELP YOU PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK WORSHIP PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE BOOK!

Text: The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom. (Zeph 1:14–15)

Outline

- 1. Zephaniah decries the grievances that will bring judgment at the Day of the Lord.
- 2. But he also offers hope of salvation in the Day of the Lord for everyone for whom God has taken away his punishment.

With Zephaniah, We'll Actually Delight in the Day of the Lord.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT HOPE

Sunday October 30	9:30 am - Worship w/ HC Bible Study after Service
Wednesday November 2	10:30 am Wednesday Bible Study 6pm to 8pm BINGO
Thursday November 3	9am to 2pm Quilting
Friday November 4	Office Closed
Sunday November 6	9:30 am - Worship w/ HC Bible Study after Service

