

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2026 - 10:30 am

Prelude/ Bell/ Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

L: People of God, in the waters of baptism you have traveled with Jesus from death into life.

C: Our past, our sin, our failure, our doubts, are drowned and gone.

L: Our fear, our confusion, our self-righteousness, our despair, are washed away by God's grace.

C: Our pride, our hypocrisy, and other people's opinions of us no longer define who I am. I am free!

L: The Holy Spirit lives and moves through you now,

C: a great and joyful mystery,

L: so that together we may bring love and mercy into the world as the body of Christ.

C: Let us rejoice that God had claimed each of us as God's own through baptismal grace.

We are free!

L: Siblings in Christ, this happens not by your own doing or believing, but by God's grace and mercy alone. Let us give thanks to God for the gracious gift of baptism that joins us together with Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit. All of God's people say...

C: Amen! Amen! Thanks be to God!

Gathering Hymn/ Psalm 46 Reformation Litany *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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(Reagan) L: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. **C: Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, through its waters roar and foam, through the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

(Sung) Verse 1 ***A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious; he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.***

(Cassandra) L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

C: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

(Sung) Verse 2 ***No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected. But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected. You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He hold the field victorious.***

(Isabella) L: The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

C: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

L: Come now, regard the works of the Lord! **C: God makes war to cease in all the world. God breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.**

(Sung) Verse 3 ***Though hordes of devils fill the land all threatening to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpower us. Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage! His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.***

(Jacob) L: Be still, then, and know that I am God! **C: God is exalted among the nations; God is exalted in the earth.**

L: The Lord of hosts is with us; **C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

(Sung) Verse 4 ***God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, good, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's our forever!***

Gospel Acclamation

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

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Gospel Reading

John 8:31-36

Pew Bible pg. 1663

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Welcome Song ***"Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world. You are loved and you are light. You are precious in God's sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world."***

Children's Message & Sermon

Rev. Mindy Czycalla

Hymn of the Day

Listen, God is Calling

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Affirmation of Baptism

Michelle Weiss- Children, Youth & Family Coordinator: The following people have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of their Baptisms:

Zane Johnson, Jacob Powers, Reagan Regnier, Kylin Schaefer, Cassandra Wendlandt, Isabella Wendlandt, Leland Wendroth

Profession of faith: (stand as you are able) address *Confirmands/ assembly may join in the responses*

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

L: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **C: I renounce them.**

L: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **C: I renounce them.**

L: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **C: I renounce them.**

Laying on of Hands Blessing (*parents, mentors, and loved ones are invited to participate. The assembly can raise a hand in blessing.*)

(*One at a time: Student says their verse, etc. then we pray over them*): Zane Johnson, Jacob Powers, Reagan Regnier, Kylin Schaefer, Cassandra Wendlandt, Isabella Wendlandt, Leland Wendroth

L: We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. For Jesus' sake, stir up in (confirmand) the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm their faith, guide their life, empower them in serving, give them patience in suffering, and bring them to everlasting life. **C: Amen.**

Prayer of Blessing (*with confirmands at the baptismal font*) L: Let us rejoice with these siblings in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism and welcome you as full members of Nordland Lutheran Church. Together we give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world. Thanks be to God! Amen!

Offering / Offertory

Fragrant Offering

Screens

Prayers of the People L: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Sharing of the Peace L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution / The Lord's Prayer

Communion Welcome:

All who are hungry for God's love and mercy are welcome to this table of forgiveness.

Holy Communion Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Blessing One Another L: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus. The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit. The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever. **C: Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Sending Hymn

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing vs. 1,3,5,6

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Dismissal

L: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. **C: We will! Thanks be to God.**

Bell / Postlude

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We Thank

Greeters / Ushers / Tech Desk; Organist: RaNae Martinson; Readers / Communion: Confirmation Class

We remember in our prayers:

Nordland: Jerrod Quade, Susan Pederson, Terry Porter, Norma Heschke, Kris & Bill Henderson, Woody Hunt (surgery), Family of Kathy Chesness

Friends: Dave & Sandy Steffensen, Carol Rohr, Bob Olson, Nick Carlson, Maggie & Michael Kihui, Wilder Christenson, Jacob & Emily Peterson, Amanda Rosendahl (stroke)

Nordland's Week

Today 9:15 / 9:30 Confirmation Pictures, sanctuary / Education & Fellowship Hour
10:30 am Communion Worship, Reformation Sunday with Affirmation of Baptism
11:30 am Fellowship Hall Reserved: Schaefer Family
Church Basement Reserved: Wendlandt Family
Wed. 6 / 6:45 pm Wed. Meal / Trunk or Treat in the parking lot
Sun. 9:15 am Education & Fellowship / 10:30 am Worship, All Saints Sunday

Trunk or Treat- Everyone is welcome on Oct. 28 to see kids in their costumes or have a spooky supper with kids at 6 pm. If you'd like to decorate your trunk and share treats, the kids will head outside to the parking lot around 6:45.

West Central Singers Fall Concert: Celebrating the months and seasons of Minnesota in song! Concerts will be Nordland Lutheran Church on Sat. Nov. 14, 4:00 pm and at Bethel Lutheran Church, Willmar on Sunday, Nov. 15, 4:00 pm. Tickets: Pay-What-You-Can, suggested ticket price \$15, available at the door.

Affirmation of Baptism- October 25, 2026

Zane Preston Johnson

Parents: Jeb & Amy Johnson

Baptized: September 26, 2010

Sponsors: Lisa Jordan,
Brynn, Gus & Reed Johnson

Bible Verse: Psalm 23:4

*"Even though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff,
they comfort me."*

Jacob William Powers

Parents: Chad & Erin Powers

Baptized: August 7, 2011

Sponsors: Kari Osborne, Ellen Chindvall,
Natalie & Adam Miller

Mentor: Bethany Wendlandt

Bible Verse: Isaiah 43:2

*"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers; they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you."*

Reagan Sue Regnier

Parents: Andy & Mandy Regnier
Baptized: May 1, 2011
Sponsors: Jake Moline, Kayla Olsen
Mentor: Michelle Weiss
Bible Verse: Isaiah 41:10

"Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand."

Kylin Rita Schaefer

Parents: Adam & Peggy Schaefer
Baptized: October 24, 2010
Sponsors: Sam Thompson,
Doug & Kari Schaefer
Mentor: Nicole Humbert
Bible Verse: Proverbs 3:6

"In all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Cassandra Mae Wendlandt

Parents: Corey & Bethany Wendlandt
Baptized: June 26, 2011
Sponsors: Brandon Wendlandt,
Erica Wendlandt
Mentor: Lisa Wendlandt
Bible Verse: Psalm 94:19

"When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought joy to my soul."

Isabella Joy Wendlandt

Parents: Corey & Bethany Wendlandt
Baptized: June 26, 2011
Sponsors: Shane Wendlandt,
Ingrid Bredeson
Mentor: Rick Thompson
Bible Verse: 1 Timothy 4:12

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity."

Leland Daryl Wendroth

Parents: Ashley Wendroth
Baptized: October 7, 2026
Bible Verse: Philippians 3:14

"I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus."