

Reformation Sunday
October 30, 2022 10:30 a.m. Service



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REFORMATION SUNDAY
Sola Gratia, Sola Scriptura, Sola Fidei

Divine Service – Setting Four

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AS WE GATHER

The Lutheran Reformation recaptured the truth that any righteousness we have is a pure gift of God through faith in Jesus Christ. We come to God confessing our sins and are declared righteous only by the grace of God. Scripture, not human tradition or other writings, is our only source for understanding how we stand righteous before God by the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ.

Welcome & Announcements

+ PREPARATION +

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P We begin in the name into which we are baptized; In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

Sola Gratia - Grace Alone

P For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21

Opening Hymn

LSB 613 sts. 1-3

“To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All”



1 To Thee, om - ni - scient Lord of all, In grief and shame I
2 O Lord, my God, to Thee I pray: O cast me not in
3 O Je - sus, let Thy pre - cious blood Be to my soul a



hum - bly call; I see my sins a - gainst Thee, Lord,
wrath a - way! Let Thy good Spir - it ne'er de - part,
cleans - ing flood. Turn not, O Lord, Thy guest a - way,



The sins of thought and deed and word. They press me
But let Him draw to Thee my heart That tru - ly
But grant that jus - ti - fied I may Go to my



sore; I cry to Thee: O God, be mer - ci - ful to me!
pen - i - tent I be: O God, be mer - ci - ful to me!
house at peace with Thee: O God, be mer - ci - ful to me!

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Stand

God Hears Our Confession and Grants His Forgiveness

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, we have come together to affirm again the truths that the Reformation restored to the one holy apostolic Church. We are here to worship God because of His infinite grace in creating us, in saving us through the sacrifice of our Lord, and in working faith in our hearts so that we might receive His own righteousness. Indeed, without the promise of forgiveness, we would never admit to our failings but would, in our fallen nature, constantly flee from God. But with the gracious promise of full and free forgiveness, let us consider our sins and call on God for mercy.

(Silence for self-examination and confession to God. Reflect on His Word and consider your life according to the Ten Commandments: This and whatever comes to mind, confess now, and receive God's total absolution.)

P The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. *Psalm 103:8*

C He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. *Psalm 103:10*

P Gracious God,

C we confess that we have thought of ourselves as deserving of Your love; that we have taken for granted Your blessings. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds. It is

true that "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 3:23

Forgive us, reform us to trust only in Your grace and mercy, and move us to seek Your will daily, as Your Son has set us free to do.

John 8:36

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

LSB 292

C Amen.

P Do you believe that my forgiveness is God's forgiveness?

C Yes.

LSB 293

P Let it be done for you as you believe.

P "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

1 John 1:9

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Our Prayer for Today

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people,

C keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth,

P protect and deliver us in times of temptation,

C defend us against all enemies,

P 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.

C Amen.

Sit

Hymn of Praise

LSB 655 sts. 1-3

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 strife And lead us out of death to life.

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+ WORD +

Sola Scriptura - Scripture Alone

P For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures. *1 Corinthians 15:3*

Prayer

P Let us pray. Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning.

C Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life;

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Revelation 14:6-7

(Fear God and give Him glory)

6 Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth – to every nation, tribe, language and people. 7 He said in a loud voice, “Fear God and give

him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm - Psalm 46, *antiphon: v.7*

Pastor: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lectern side: God is our refuge and strength,

Pulpit side: a very present help in trouble.

Lectern side: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,

Pulpit side: though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

Lectern side: though its waters roar and foam,

Pulpit side: though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

All: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lectern side: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

Pulpit side: the holy habitation of the Most High.

Lectern side: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

Pulpit side: God will help her when morning dawns.

Lectern side: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;

Pulpit side: He utters His voice, the earth melts.

All: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lectern side: Come, behold the works of the LORD,

Pulpit side: how He has brought desolations on the earth.

Lectern side: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

Pulpit side: He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; He burns the chariots with fire.

Lectern side: "Be still, and know that I am God.

Pulpit side: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

All: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

All: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Second Reading *Romans 3:19-28*

19 Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced

and the whole world held accountable to God. 20 Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.

21 But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

22 This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. 25 God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his

justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— 26 he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

27 Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith. 28 For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Praise

LSB 948 sts. 1-4
(to the tune LSB 717)

“All Glory Be to God Alone”



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, For - ev - er - more the
2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless And wor - ship You in
3 Lord God, our King on heav - en's throne, Our Fa - ther, the Al -
4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; Have mer - cy on us



high - est one, Who did our sin - ful race be - friend And
hum - ble - ness; From day to day we glo - ri - fy The
might - y One. O Lord, the sole - be - got - ten One, Lord
Lord, we pray. You take the whole world's sin a - way; O



grace and peace to us ex - tend. A - mong us may His
ev - er - last - ing God on high. Of Your great glo - ry
Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's Son, True God from all e -
Lord, re - ceive our prayer this day. From God's right hand Your



gra - cious will All hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.
do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
ter - ni - ty, O Lamb of God, to You we flee.
mer - cy send, To all the world Your grace ex - tend.

Stand

Alleluia

John 20:31, LSB 205



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

(Abide in My Word)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

33 They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" 34 Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. 35 Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

LSB 556 sts. 1-5

“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
2 Fast bound in Sa-tan's chains I lay; Death brood-ed dark - ly
3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or mer - it
4 But God had seen my wretch-ed state Be - fore the world's foun -



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
o'er me. Sin was my tor - ment night and day; In sin my
gain - ing; Free will a - gainst God's judg - ment fought, Dead to all
da - tion, And mind - ful of His mer - cies great, He planned for



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro-claim the won - ders God has done, How
moth-er bore me. But dai - ly deep - er still I fell; My
good re - main - ing. My fears in - creased till sheer de - spair Left
my sal - va - tion. He turned to me a fa - ther's heart; He



His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
life be - came a liv - ing hell, So firm - ly sin pos - sessed me.
on - ly death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suf - fered.
did not choose the eas - y part But gave His dear - est trea - sure.

5 God said to His beloved Son:

“It's time to have compassion.

Then go, bright jewel of My crown,

And bring to all salvation.

From sin and sorrow set them free;

Slay bitter death for them that they

May live with You forever.”

Sermon

Pastor Tom Rhodes

“Reformation”

Stand

Sola Fidei - Faith Alone

Apostle’s Creed

LSB 207

☐ Together we confess our common faith using the Apostles’ Creed.

☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from
the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

We Return to God Our Offerings

In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plates in the back as you enter or exit. (This is just as it says: An offering to God through His church. As a reassurance to those in worship today, especially our guests - this is not an obligation - the good news of Jesus is free to all!)

Offertory (no intro)

LSB 781 sts. 1-2

We Give Thee But Thine Own



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What-e'er the gift may be;
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

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Prayer of the Church

LSB 207

P In the Gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith, from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith." *Romans 1:17*

Prayers of God's People

P Another biblical truth recaptured by the Reformation was "the Priesthood of All Believers." As Jesus clearly taught, each believer can pray directly to God in Jesus' name for the needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Today, I will invite the prayers, and selected members of the congregation will offer them.

P Let us pray for the Church around the world.

A *Protect and defend Your Church, Lord Jesus, wherever it proclaims the Gospel. Guide clergy and laity to seek every opportunity to announce to family and neighbor Your grace and mercy. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray for the nations.

A *Heavenly Father, continue to raise up men and women who will order society according to Your will, enabling the Church to grow and providing for the common good. May they protect the poor and oppressed, and work for peace with their neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray for those who defend our country and protect us at home.

A *Almighty God, we give thanks for each person in whom You have placed a sense of duty that moves him or her to go in harm's way for other's sake. Protect them, give them wise judgment in unexpected crises, and enable us all to support their efforts at home and abroad. Be with their families as they deal with times of separation and thoughts of unknown dangers. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray for our families.

A *Guide us, O Holy Spirit, to make thoughtful decisions as we seek the best for our children. Give us understanding*

between spouses, and children and parents. Remind us of Your presence in our homes so that they will be temples in which we reflect Your forgiveness and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray for the sick and those who care for them.

A *Gracious Lord, instill in each of us thankfulness for every day of health. When illness or injury strikes, bring healing according to Your will for us. Strengthen and guide all who care for us in times of crisis or chronic conditions. Give them compassion to use their skills according to Your merciful will. We remember silently in our hearts those that are in need of Your*

healing hand, especially those on our prayer list and cards. (Silence for prayer)

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer *Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 209*

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.**

God's Blessing As We Go To Serve

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you
and be gracious unto you. The Lord look
upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn

LSB 657 sts. 1-4

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -
your us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not
fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of
o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's
we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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