



You are invited to use the yellow Prayer Cards located in the pew for prayer requests. Please hand this card to an usher or place it in the offering plate. \* Please turn off cellphones\*

Note: In celebrating Reformation Day, all of the hymns we use today were written by the sainted Dr. Martin Luther.

#### **REFORMATION SUNDAY**

Divine Service – Setting Four October 31, 2021 10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### + INVOCATION +

LSB 203

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]



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#### Stand

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION + LSB 203

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

# **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

(Silence for self-examination and confession to God in light of the Ten Commandments and reflection on God's Word.)

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: *Luke 18:13* 

# **C** God, be merciful to me, a sinner. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

PGod be merciful to you and strengthen your<br/>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 Almighty God in His LSB 203

P 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 承 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD + LSB 204

Introit Ps. 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Ps. 119:46

**P** I will speak of your testimonies before kings,

O LORD, and shall not be put to shame.

- **C** I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- P My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- C Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- P The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.
- P C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
  P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, O LORD, and shall not be put to shame.



# **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

LSB 205

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

# **C** And also with you.

 P 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.

**C** Amen.

#### Sit

### **First Reading**

Revelation 14:6-7

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.

Gradual Ps. 34:9, 19, alt. **A C** Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels, that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever.

# Second Reading (The Righteousness of God through Faith)

A 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.

**C** 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. **A** 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.

- **C** Then what becomes of our boasting?
- **[A]** It is excluded.
- **C** By what kind of law? By a law of works?
- **A** No, but by the law of faith.
- **C** For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.
- **A** The LORD of hosts is with us;
- **C** the God of Jacob is our fortress.

  - **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
  - **C** Thanks be to God.



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**Holy Gospel** 

John 8:31-36

- **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, "Very truly I tell you, 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



6 The Son obeyed His Father's will, Was born of virgin mother; And God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother. His royal pow'r disguised He bore; A servant's form, like mine, He wore To lead the devil captive. 9 "Now to My Father I depart, From earth to heav'n ascending, And, heavn'ly wisdom to impart, The Holy Spirit sending; In trouble He will comfort you And teach you always to be true And into truth shall guide you.

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# Sermon "Reformation, Glaucoma, and You" Pastor Tom Rhodes

Stand

Apostle's CreedLSB 207P C 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.

# Offering

In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plate 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!)



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Prayer of the Church LSB 207
P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

# (Brief Silence)

 P Lord of all mercy, You looked upon our dark poverty and You had compassion upon us, by sending Your Son to be our Savior and Redeemer and restoring us by His perfect righteousness making us Your children by grace. Let our lips
 proclaim the good news of Christ and our lives be living examples of Your reformation light, that You may be glorified in all things. Lord, in Your mercy,

# **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Lord of all grace, We praise You, O God, for Martin Luther and other reformers who risked their lives in order to proclaim Your Word of grace. Grant to each of us the same zeal for Your word of truth, that Your Church in our day may bring continuing reformation to the world, for whom Christ died. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

▶ Lord of all praise, behold Your Church with mercy that we may be forgiven all our failures and granted every aid of Your Spirit to show forth Your goodness to the world. Bless all who in your Church give themselves to lead in many and various ways, that we may faithfully support them as they faithfully serve You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

▶ Lord of all power, we recall before You our president, our governor, our mayor, and all those who serve us in the kingdom of the left, that everywhere Your people may know peace, may use wisely Your gift of liberty, and may love our neighbors as You have loved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

# **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Lord of all compassion, we raise up to You the names of all who have been brought low by injury, sickness, adversity, the frailty of old age, or the sorrow of death especially those on our prayer list and cards. Give ear to our call and answer them with Your grace sufficient for their every need and supply them healing and peace according to Your gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

▶ Lord of all blessing, we remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You and now have passed through death to be with You forevermore. Receive us in due time with them into the arms of Your mercy and into the blessed rest of everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

 P Grant to us, O Lord, only those things profitable to us, to our salvation and to the upbuilding of Your Kingdom and keep from us all things harmful, lest we turn from Your grasp and forget Your many benefits. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.



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.

# **Benedicamus and Benediction**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

 $\mathbb{P}$ The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lordmake His face shine on you and be gracious toyou. The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\mathbb{P}$ give you peace.Numbers 6:24-26

**C** Amen.





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