

Reformation Sunday

10-30-2022

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Celebrate (Introduction)

“Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God’s grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.”

Opening Hymn: [ELW 505 – A Mighty Fortress is Our God](#)

Psalmody: Psalm 46

God’s Defense of His City and People

To the leader. Of the Korahites. According to Alamoth. A Song.

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present^[a] help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,

³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of the city;^[b] it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶ The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice; the earth melts.

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.^[c] *Selah*

⁸ Come, behold the works of the LORD;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ “Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations;
I am exalted in the earth.”

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge. [\[d\]](#) *Selah*

Hymn of Praise: [ELW 823- Praise the Lord! O Heavens](#)

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, 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.

1st Reading: [Jeremiah 31:31-34](#)

2nd Reading: [Romans 3:19-28](#)

The Gospel: [John 8:31-36](#)

Hymn: [ELW 517 – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word](#)

The Message: [\(Sermon Audio Link\)](#)

Offering*: [\(On-Line giving Link\)](#):

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

The Prayer

We pray for all who need your comforting and healing presence especially Eugene Ash, Julie Ash, Pam Ash, Heidi Brackbill, Parker Brennan, Judy Cosentino, Alexis Erdman, Samantha Erdman, Mary Goehring, the Johnson family, Robert Karner, David Kieffer, Charles Larsen, the McNamara family, Donna Mayhew, Wendy Neumann, Julie Obie, Elise Oliver, Peter Olsen, Debra Pastor, Brenda Penyak, Dottie Reitz, Robert Reitz, Colin Shea, Jerry Shea Jack Smith, the Spiegler family, Esther and Buck Trautwein, and Pastor Jack.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make His face shine upon you;
The Lord lift up His presence upon you and give you peace. Amen

And now my brothers and sisters
Live on knowing God's love,
The joy of living this life of love,
And the peace which only comes through the power of His presence within you.
So live on in Love, Joy, Peace, and Power.

Closing Hymn: [ELW-634 The Church's One Foundation](#)

Announcements

- Crew's Spaghetti Dinner – Tuesday, **November 15, 5:00 – 7:00 pm**
- Annual Meeting – Sunday, November 20th
- Advent Craft Night – December 3rd
- Putting up the Greens – Saturday, December 10th, 10 am
- Night of Caroling and Hot Chocolate, Sunday, December 18th, 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

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