



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25 - REFORMATION

Prelude | Welcome

Call to Worship

Pastor: "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

Congregation: ...his steadfast love endures forever!" (Psalm 118.1)

Resurrection Choir - "Like a Shepherd"

(C. Nygard Jr; arr. & dir. K. Keating)

Brief Order of Confession

Pastor: Realizing that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, (Romans 3.23)

Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

(silence for reflection)

Congregation: Gracious God, we confess that we have not always lived according to your will, nor have we loved you and our neighbors as we should. We have often been shortsighted in our stewardship of creation and have failed to live out the very things that we confess to be true. Forgive us, Lord, and create a new and right spirit within us.

Pastor: "God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God." (Romans 5.8-9) Let us give thanks to God for his mercy and live as those who belong to Christ.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gathering Hymn - "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (ELW #504)

Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise - "Come Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs"

(ELW #847; cantor v. 1; cantor & congregation vs. 2 & 3)

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: 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.

Congregation: Amen



Children's Message

Scripture - Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Gospel Acclamation - "Setting 8" (ELW p. 188)

Gospel - Matthew 22:34-46

Message - Pastor Nate Montover

Hymn of the Day - "There's a Wideness In God's Mercy " (ELW #588; vs. 1, 2, 3)

Apostles' Creed | Prayers of the People

Pastor: Lord in your mercy... **Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace | Thanksgiving for Offerings

Resurrection Ringers - "Acclamation on Azmon" with congregational sing-along (arr. A.B. Sherman; dir. L. Stock)

Holy Communion | Words of Institution | Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn during Communion - "Holy, Holy, Holy" (ELW 413)

Communion Blessing

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace, now and for life everlasting.

Congregation: Amen

Communion Canticle - "Break Now the Bread of Life" (ELW #515; vs 1 & 3)

Announcements | Benediction

Sending Hymn - "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (ELW #579; vs. 1, 3, 4, 5)

Dismissal

Pastor: "The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in..."

Congregation: ...from this time on and forevermore." (Psalm 121.8)

All: Amen

Postlude

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY!

Worship Team: Pastor Jeff Frohner, Pastor Nate Montover

Cantor: Jon Lovseth | **Organ & Piano:** Matthew Lang

Greeters: Bonnie Raasch, Dennis Lang | **Ushers:** Greg & Kay Forest

Communion Servers: Diane Aarni, Linda Sundermeyer | **Comm. Set-up:** Linda Sundermeyer

Tech Team: Ralph Kendrick, Lydia Legore, Wes Lovseth | **Nursery:** Amanda Schultz

Café Hosts: Roger & Mary Jo Carlson, Kent Stock | **Donut Pick-up:** Brett & Brynn Merck

Counters: Curt Duwe, Greg Meier

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Gathering Hymn

“A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD”

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.

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 holds the field victorious.

Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threat'ning 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.

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,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

Hymn of Praise

“COME, LET US JOIN OUR CHEERFUL SONGS”

cantor sings verse 1:

Come, let us join our cheerful songs
with angels round the throne;
ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
but all their joys are one.

congregation joins in verses 2 & 3:

“Worthy the Lamb that died,” they cry,
“to be exalted thus!”

“Worthy the Lamb,” our lips reply,
“for he was slain for us!”

Jesus is worthy to receive
honor and pow’r divine;
and blessings, more than we can give,
be, Lord, forever thine.

Gospel Acclamation

“SETTING 8”

Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. | Alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia. | Alleluia, alleluia.

Hymn of the Day

“THERE’S A WIDENESS IN GOD’S MERCY”

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy,
like the wideness of the sea;
there’s a kindness in God’s justice
which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth’s sorrows
are more felt than up in heav’n.
There is no place where earth’s failings
have such kindly judgment giv’n.

There is welcome for the sinner,
and a promised grace made good;
there is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.

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There is grace enough for thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.

For the love of God is broader
than the measures of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

But we make this love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify its strictness
with a zeal God will not own.

Congregational Sing-Along **“ACCLAMATION ON AZMON”**

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King
the triumphs of His grace!

Hymn during Communion **“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed trinity!

Post-Communion

“BREAK NOW THE BREAD OF LIFE”

Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as once you broke the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord;
my spirit waits for you, O living Word.

You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
your holy word the truth that rescues me.

Give me to eat and live with you above;
teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Sending Hymn

“LORD, YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION”

Lord, you give the great commission:
"Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission
and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity:

***With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.***

Lord, you make the common holy:
"This my body, this my blood."

Let us all, for earth's true glory,
daily lift life heaven-ward,
asking that the world around us
share your children's liberty:

***With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.***

Lord, you show us love's true measure:

"Father, what they do, forgive."
Yet we hoard as private treasure
All that you so freely give.

May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society:

***With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.***

Lord, you bless with words assuring:

"I am with you to the end."

Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity:

***With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.***