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*Welcome to Worship*

# Reformation Sunday

**10:00 AM Service**

**October 27, 2024**

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*Prelude*

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Ringing of the Bell*

*Confession and Forgiveness*

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

L: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

**C: Amen.**

*Hymn # 665                    "Rise, Shine, You People"*

*Greeting:*

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

**C: And also with you.**

L: Liturgist

P: Pastor

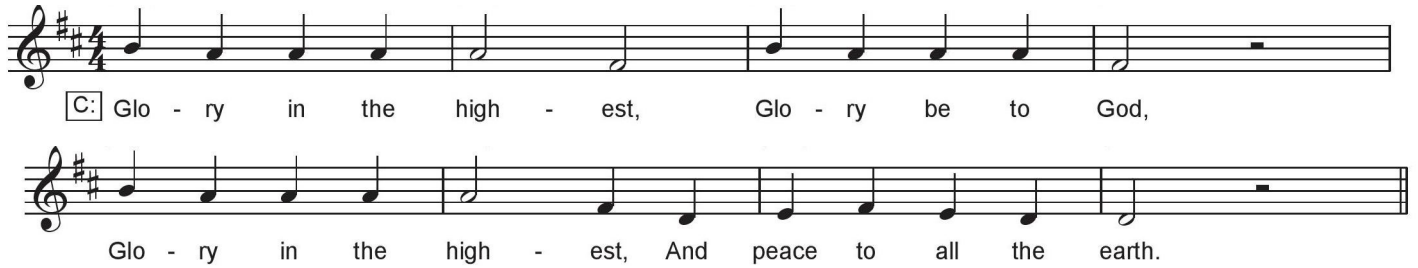
C: Congregation

R: Reader

# Hymn of Praise

## Glory In The Highest

Refrain:



The image shows two staves of musical notation for the refrain. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, followed by a half note G4, then quarter notes F#4, E4, D4, C4, and a final whole note C4. The lyrics 'Glo - ry in the high - est, Glo - ry be to God,' are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, followed by a half note G4, then quarter notes F#4, E4, D4, C4, and a final whole note C4. The lyrics 'Glo - ry in the high - est, And peace to all the earth.' are written below the staff.

Verse 1

Shaper of the Universe, Thanks and praise we sing.  
Loving Father, Caring Mother hold us in your wings. **Refrain**

Verse 2

Jesus Christ the Lamb of God, You wash our sins away.  
At your table all are welcome. Hear us as we pray. **Refrain**

Verse 3

Holy Spirit source of life, burning wild and free  
You are God the three-in-one such a mystery. **Refrain**

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L: Let us pray

**C: 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.**

## WORD

### First Reading

### Jeremiah 31: 31—34

*The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.*

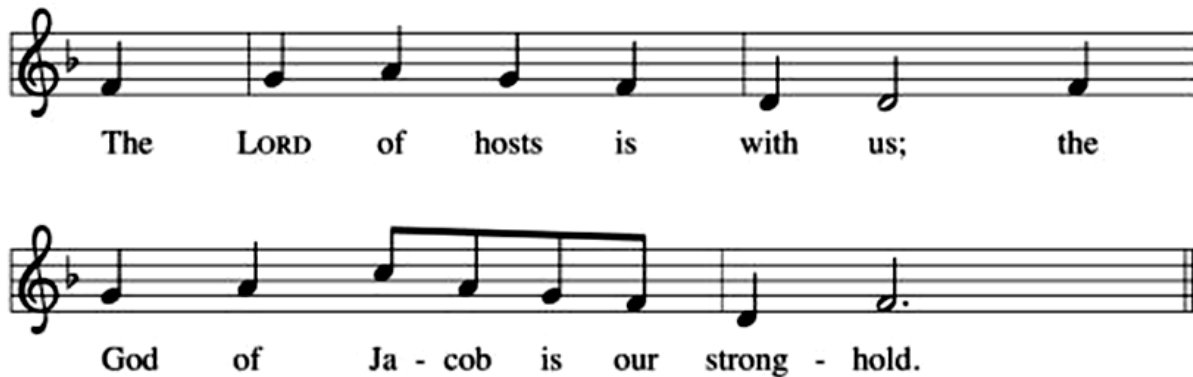
<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

R: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm

### Psalm 46



The LORD of hosts is with us; the  
God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

### Refrain

- Ps. 46: 1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.  
Ps. 46: 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;  
Ps. 46: 3 though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.  
Ps. 46: 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

Ps. 46: 5 God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

Ps. 46: 6 The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

### Refrain

Ps. 46: 7 The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Ps. 46: 8 Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

Ps. 46: 9 behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

Ps. 46:10 “Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

Ps. 46: 11 The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

### Refrain

Second Reading: Romans 3: 19—28

*Paul’s words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ’s death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.*

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Children's Sermon*

*Pastor Chris Steubing*

*Please Stand*

*Gospel Acclamation*



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Gospel according to Mark

*(After the Gospel is announced, we say)*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Gospel:* *John 8: 31—36*

*Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.*

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

*(After the reading of the Gospel, we say)*

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

*Sermon*

*Pastor Chris Steubing*

*Remain seated*

*Hymn #729           “The Church of Christ in Every Age” vs. 1-3, 5*

*The Apostle’s Creed*

**L: Together with the whole church, we confess our faith:**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*The Prayers*

**L: . . . God of Grace,**

**C: Hear our prayer.**

*The Peace*

**L: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

**L: You may share the peace with one another.**

## Offering

### Offering Hymn "By Grace We Have Been Saved" (Insert)

The offering is collected as the hymn is sung. Please stand on the last verse as the offering is brought forward.

*Refrain*



By grace we have been saved— saved by grace through faith,



not be-cause of what we do; it is the gift of God.



1 On the days when you are weak, on the  
2 Rest your bod - y, rest your mind, in the  
3 You don't need to be a - fraid. You will



days when you are strong, rich or poor,  
still - ness you will find you're a love - ly,  
nev - er be a - lone. There is mer - cy,



*Refrain*

young or old, just lis - ten to the song.  
pre - cious child, part of the great de - sign.  
there is hope, and love will take you home.

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*Let's pray,*

**All: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



## MEAL

P: The Lord be with you.      C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.      C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise. . . We praise our name and join their unending:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**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.**

### Invitation to Communion

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*Communion Distribution---All are welcome at the Lord's table. The cups contain wine (red) or grape juice (white). Those who do not normally receive communion, are free to come forward for a blessing.*

### Communion Hymns

- Hymn # 654 "The Church's One Foundation" Vs. 1—4  
Hymn # 517 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

### Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

*Prayer after Communion*

P: Let us pray. **O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Benediction*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



*Hymn # 504*            *"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"*

L: Go in peace. God is at work in you.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Postlude*

*Our thanks to those who serve as our worship leaders::*

*Our Reader—Kathy Lenhardt*

*Our Liturgist—Don Gillett*

*Organist—Jimmy Cheung*

*Choir and Hand Bell Director—Wendy Kuenemann*

*Pastor—Rev. Chris Steubing*