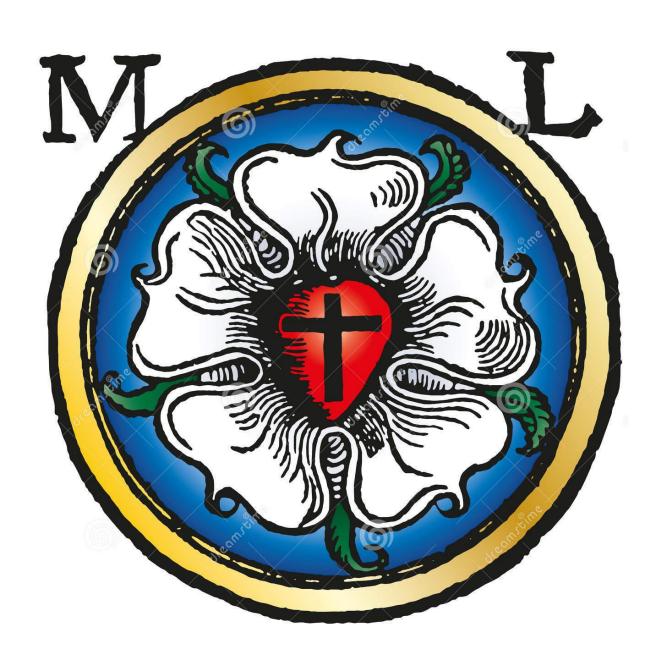
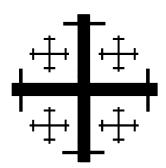
Reformation Sunday

29 October 2023

9:30 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

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.

Prelude Toccata on "Ein feste Burg" Craig Penfield

Penitential Rite Please face the Baptismal Font

"...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. Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:19-20, 23).

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

- L Most merciful God
- C Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me (Psalm 51:1, 9-10).
- L But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe... We are justified freely by God's grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus (Romans 8:21-22, 24).

Entrance ELW #511 (Verses 1-4) Thy Strong Word



Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–1976 Music: EBENEZER, Thomas J. Williams, 1869–1944 Text © 1969 Concordia Publishing House

Apostolic Greeting

- P 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.

Kyrie Eleison

AII





Cantor



For peace in the world, for the health of the church for the un - i - ty of all;



for this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

All





Cantor

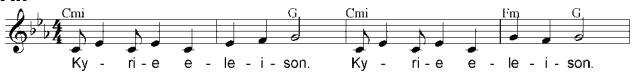


For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for Spir - it kind - led love;



for our life in Christ, which fills us with joy, let us pray to the Lord:

All





Hymn of Praise ELW #504 A Mighty Fortress

Orchestral Fanfare Introduction, descants & interludes



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you
- P Let us pray... 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.

C Amen

Please sit

First Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It 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. ³³But 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. ³⁴No 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.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now 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. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

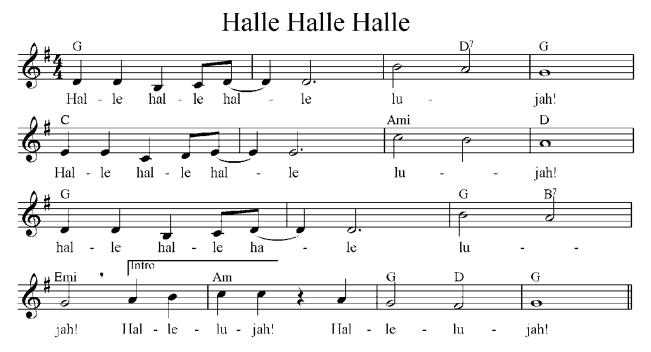
²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom 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; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

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

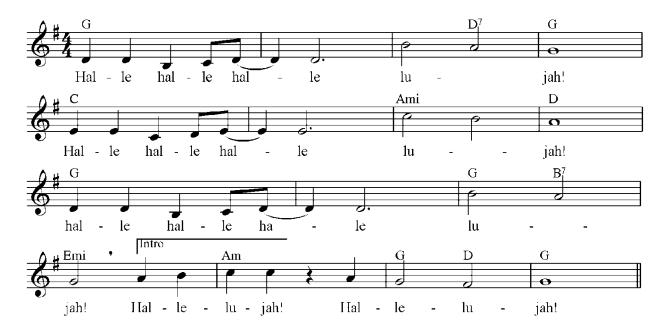
L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Verse/Gospel Acclamations



Verse (Sung by Choir) You are my disciples, continue in my Word. Know the Truth that sets you free!



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord!

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They 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'?"

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

P The Gospel of Our Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon Pastor Phil

Hymn of the Day ELW #593 Drawn to the Light



Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937. Music:

LA CROSSE, John C. Ylvisaker. Text and music © 1990 John C. Ylvisaker.

Creed

- A Let us profess our faith in the Triune God.
- ALL We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

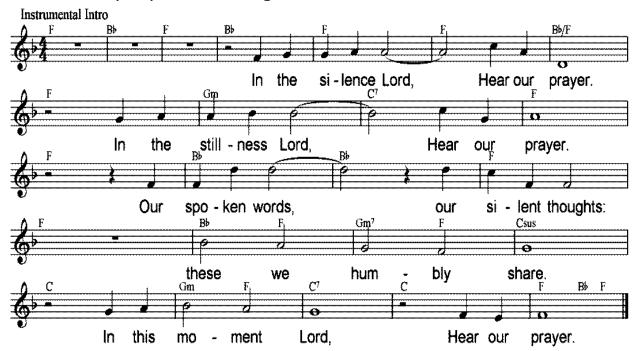
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

Prayers of the Faithful

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.



after each prayer petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

prayers conclude with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

C Amen

Peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please show a sign of peace

Offertory You Loved Me First Josiah Conder (1789-1855) Jonathon Kohrs (b. 1963) Sanctuary Choir

Lord, tis not that I did choose You; That, I know could never be; For this heart would still refuse You had Your grace not chosen me.

You removed the sin that stained me, cleansing me to be Your own; For this purpose You ordained me, that I live for You alone. It was grace in Christ that called me, taught my darkened heart and mind. Else the world had yet enthralled me, to your heav'nly glories blind.

Now I worship none above You; for Your grace alone I thirst, knowing well that, if I love You, You, O Father, loved me first. Praise the God of all creation; Praise the Father's boundless love. Praise the Lamb, our expiation, Priest and King enthroned above. Praise the Spirit of salvation, Him by whom our spirits live, Undivided adoration to the great Jehovah give.

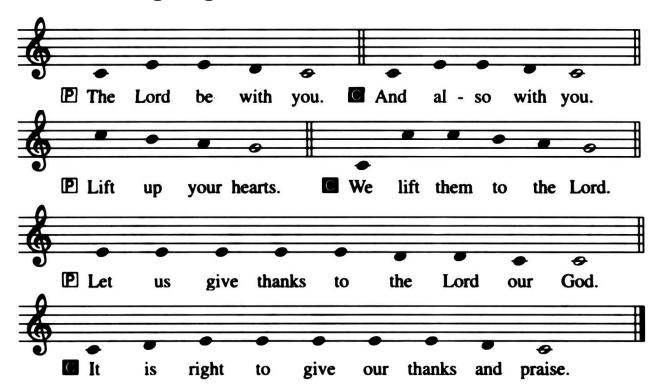


Please stand and sing as we present our gifts:



- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our- selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

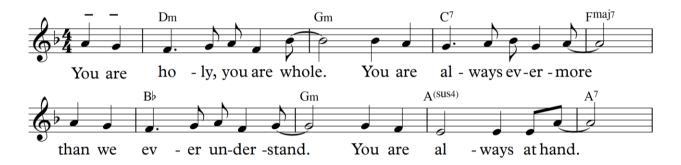


P It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God mighty and immortal through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who on this day broke the bonds of death opening to us the way of everlasting life and giving us a foretaste of the feast that is to come.

And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn

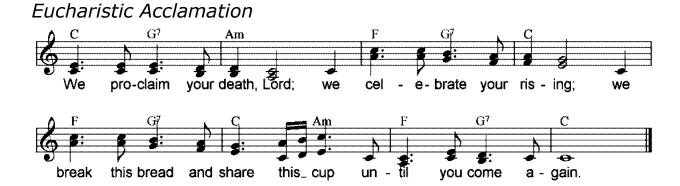
Sanctus & Benedictus [Latin, Holy & Blessed]





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Eucharistic Prayer



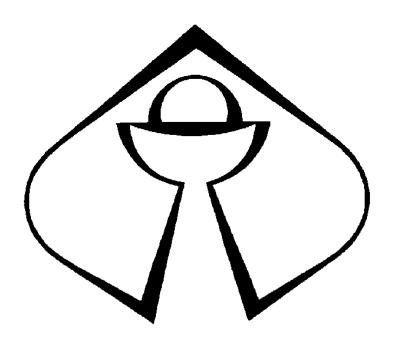
- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray
- ALL Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

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







Holy Communion

In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing: "Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

ELW #654 The Church's One Foundation VS 4 Acapella



Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900. Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876

ELW #496 One Bread, One Body



Text: John Foley, SJ. b. 1939. Music: John Foley, SJ. b. 1939. © 1978, 1989 John B. Foley and New Dawn Music.

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
- C Amen

Post-Communion Canticle



A Let us pray... Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

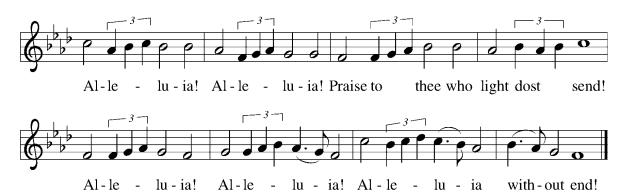
C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ♣ give you peace.

C Amen

Recessional ELW #511 (Vs 5-6) Thy Strong Word Reprise

- 5 Give us lips to sing thy glory, tongues thy mercy to proclaim, throats that shout the hope that fills us, mouths to speak thy holy name. Alleluia! Alleluia! May the light which thou dost send fill our songs with alleluias, alleluias without end!
- 6 God the Father, light-creator, to thee laud and honor be. To thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally. Holy Spirit, light-revealer, glory, glory be to thee. Mortals, angels, now and ever praise the holy Trinity!



A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude Toccata in d minor J.S. Bach

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A Mighty Fortress is Our God (Ein Feste Burg ist unser Gott)

The words are Luther's interpretation of Psalm 46, the psalm appointed for today's liturgy.

Hymn singing was born in the Lutheran Reformation, and Martin Luther was its father. Monks were primarily the only singers in mass before Luther. He obviously knew, loved and drew from this tradition from his time as an Augustinian monk.

A Mighty Fortress is sung throughout the world in over 200 languages. Probably first published in 1529 in Wittenberg, Germany, in Joseph Klug's Geistliche Lieder (Spiritual Songs), Luther called it "A Hymn of Comfort" – a tribute to his dear friend and colleague Leonard Kaiser who was burned at the stake, martyred for his reform zeal.

Luther titled his new tune *Ein feste Burg* (A stronghold castle). The original rhythmic version, first published in 1539, is #503 in Evangelical Lutheran Worship. The isometric (rhythms equalized) version, (ELW #504), is the one we are most accustomed to singing. It was first published in 1738 in Johann König's *Harmonischer Lieder-Schatz* (*Harmonious Song Treasury*). The harmonization is from J. S. Bach's Cantata 80. Major works based on this chorale include Felix Mendelssohn's Symphony # 5, composed in honor of the 300th anniversary of the Augsburg Confession, and Giacomo Meryerbeer's opera *Les Hugenots*, as well as *o*thers by Buxtehude, Pachelbel, Handel, Telemann, Debussy, Glazunov, Wagner, Vaughn Williams, Max Reger, and countless others. Today's spectacular arrangement is by Revd. Michael Costello, Cantor at Grace Lutheran in River Forest, Illinois.

On the Cover: Martin Luther's Seal

Luther's seal, or, as it is sometimes called, Luther's Rose, is the most widely known symbol of Lutheranism. Its origins are interesting. Luther was invited to create a personal symbol to summarize his faith in 1520. As his writings became increasingly popular, there was a desire on the part of the Wittenberg printers to somehow indicate what was an authorized publication of Luther's works. So, they asked Luther to tell them what he would like to have as his personal mark on his published works.

It was very common in Luther's Day for public servants, theologians, political rulers, and others of some public note, to have a personal seal. In 1530, Prince John Frederick wanted to give Luther a gift of a signet ring, as an expression of his appreciation, love and respect for Dr. Luther. Prince John personally presented the ring to Luther at the Coburg Castle on September 14, Holy Cross Day, when the Prince stopped there while travelling back from the meeting in Augsburg.

