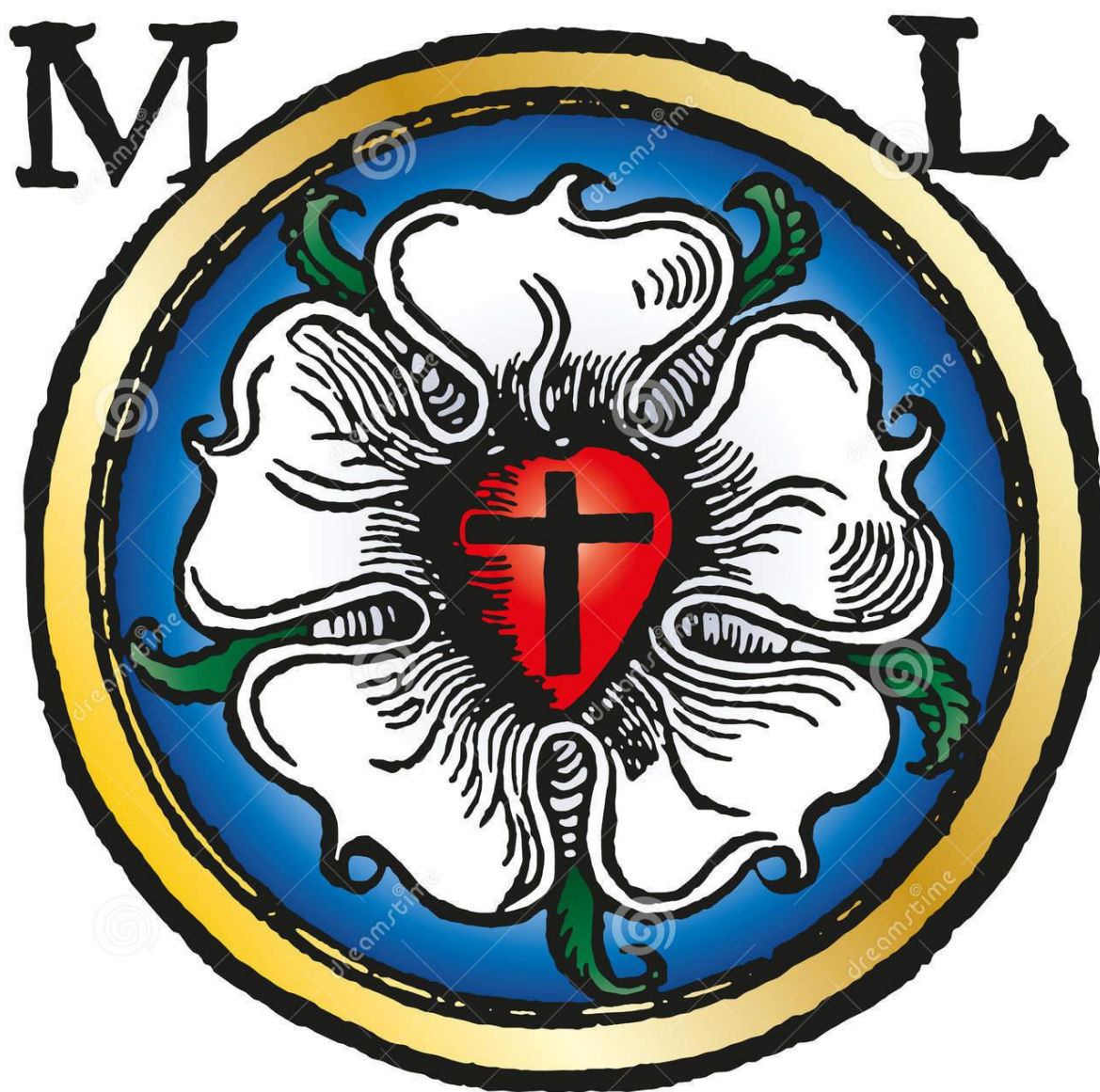


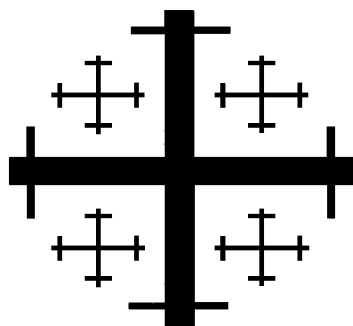
Reformation Sunday

26 October 2025

8 & 11 am



The Liturgy at Calvary



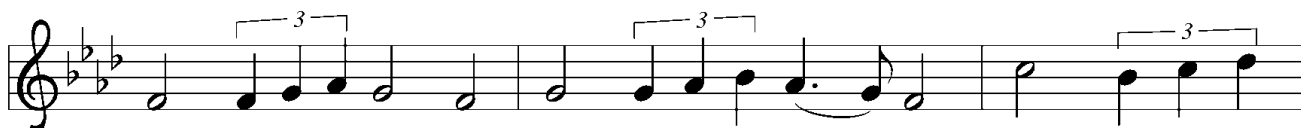
Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to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

Prelude *Toccata on "Ein feste Burg"*

Martin Luther (1483-1546) Setting: Craig Penfield c. 2018

Entrance ELW 511

Thy Strong Word



1	Thy	strong	word	did	cleave	the	dark - ness;	at	thy
2	Lo,	on	those	who	dwelt	in	dark - ness,	dark	as
3	Thy	strong	Word	be -	speaks	us	righ - teous;	bright	with
4	From	the	cross	thy	wis -	dom	shin - ing	break -	eth



speak - ing	it	was	done.	For	cre -	at - ed	light	we
night and	deep	as	death,	broke	the	light	of	thy sal -
thine own	ho -	li -	ness,	glo -	rious	now,	we	press toward
forth in	con -	qu'ring	might;	from	the	cross	for -	ev - er



thank	thee,	while	thine	or -	dered	sea -	sons	run.
va -	tion,	breathed	thine	own	life -	breath -	ing	breath.
glo -	ry,	and	our	lives	our	hopes	con -	fess.
beam -	eth	all	thy	bright	re -	deem -	ing	light.

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia with-out end!

Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–1976
 Music: EBENEZER, Thomas J. Williams, 1869–1944
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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 [*Greek, Lord, Have Mercy*]

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.

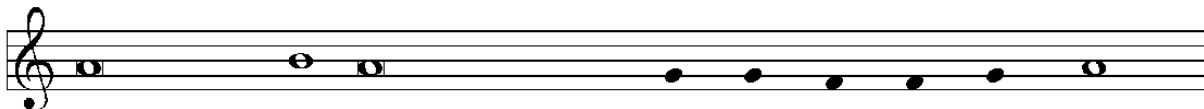
B Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

Hymn of Praise

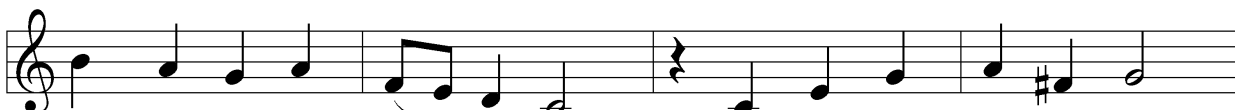
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



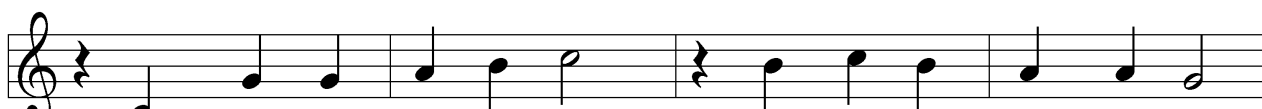
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat-'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



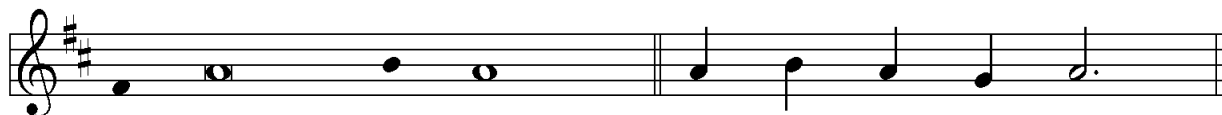
has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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

Prayer of the Day



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Let us pray... Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Please be seated.

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.**

Psalm 46

***A Mighty Fortress* is Martin Luther’s setting of Psalm 46.**

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.

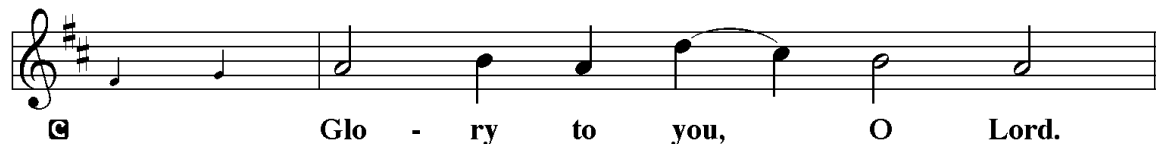
C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia Verse/Gospel Acclamations



Verse (Sung by Choir) Truly you are my disciples when you continue in my Word, and you shall know the truth; the truth sets you free. Alleluia!

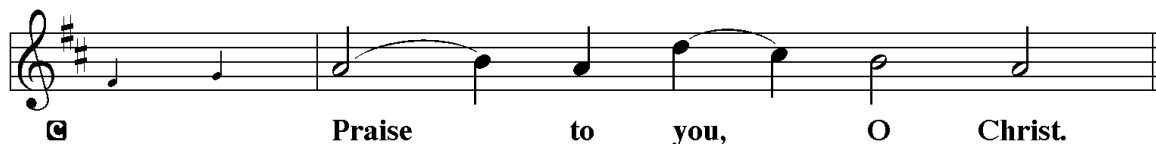
P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th chapter.



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.



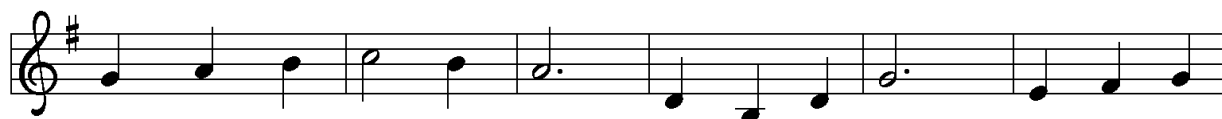
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Hymn of the Day

Drawn to the Light



1 Peo - ple who walk in dark - ness have sought a light in the
2 How can we tell a heav - en from hell if ev - 'ry - one
3 Where is the sun? Oh, there will be none! The Lamb is the



heart of the dark - est night. Just when we thought all would be
dwells in the dark of night? Morn - ing dis - pels, gent - ly com -
one who is shin - ing bright, bids us to come! Life has be -



lost, we were drawn to the light of God.
pels, and we're drawn to the light of God.
gun when we're drawn to the light of God.



Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the



light and the morn - ing. Glo - rious and bright, oh, what a



sight to be drawn to the light of God.

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937. Music:
LA CROSSE, John C. Ylvisaker. © 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

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.**

concluding 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.**

Offertory

Grace Viktor Andersson [2014]
Sanctuary Choir
Kelsey Helton, tenor sax
Christy Gibson, flute

Grace, God's blest gift of new life.
What joy! What bliss! What true rapture!
Through bread and wine His presence known.
Christ died! Christ Rose! Christ lives!
Come Lord Jesus, we adore you.
Fill our hearts with you love.
Rejoice, singing, Hallelujah.

Grace, blest Baptismal water
Reborn from death into new life.
Sealed with Christ's sign of sacrifice.
Christ died! Christ Rose! Christ lives!
Blessed bread broken become body.
Christ's sweet feast of grace.
Rejoice, singing, Hallelujah.

Grace!
Sweet grace.
Sweet blessed Grace.



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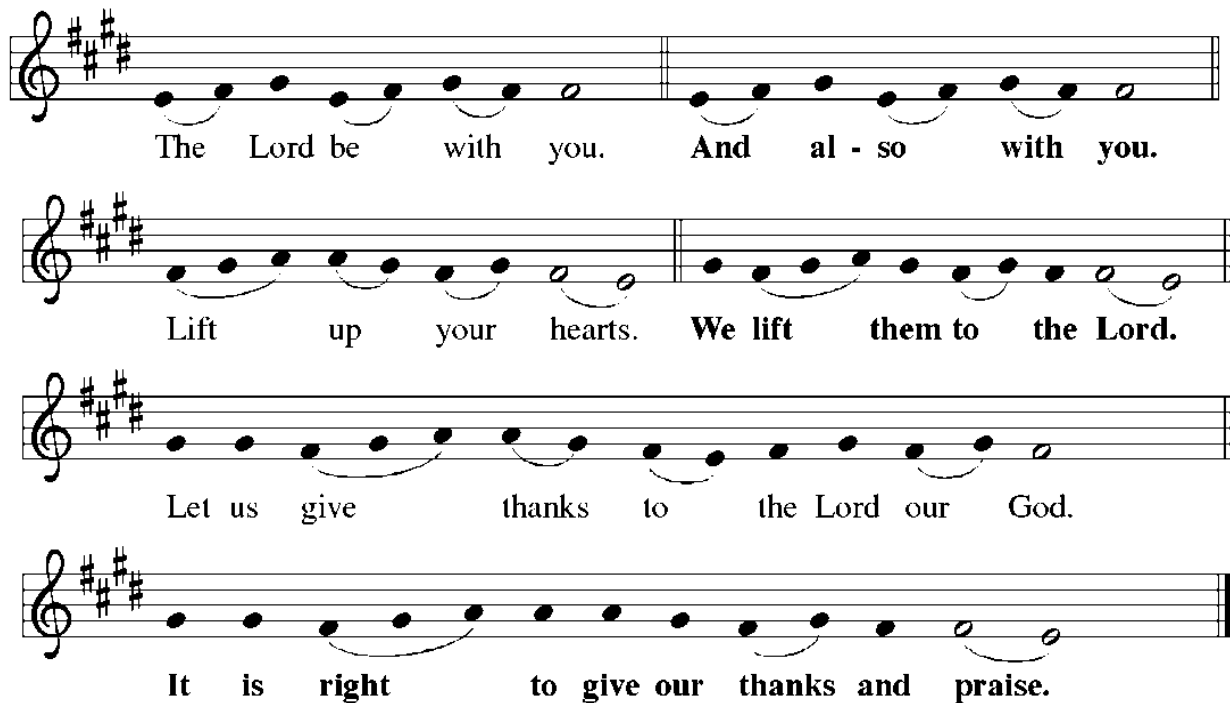
Please stand as our gifts are offered, singing:

C Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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



The musical notation is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The notes are as follows:

- Staff 1: The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
- Staff 2: Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
- Staff 3: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- Staff 4: 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 to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

Sanctus & Benedictus [*Latin, Holy & Blessed*]

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:'. The second staff continues: 'Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.'. The third staff continues: 'Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes'. The fourth staff concludes: 'in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'.

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e - brate your ris - ing; we
break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

The musical score is written on two staves in treble clef. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C'. The lyrics are: 'We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e - brate your ris - ing; we'. The second staff continues: 'break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.'.

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**

P Body of Christ given for you.
Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei [*Latin, Lamb of God*]



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



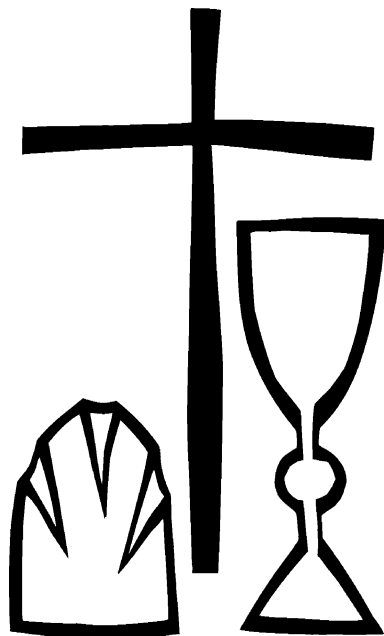
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



Holy Communion

In-Person:

All are welcome to commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide.

Wine is Red Grape Juice is White

Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

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."

ELW 654
***The Church's One Foundation
vs 4 Acapella***


1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

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

ELW 496 *One Bread, One Body*

Refrain G C/G GM⁷ C/G G D Em B

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all;

Em D G Em A D D⁷

one cup of bless - ing which we bless,

G C/G GM⁷ C/G G D Em B

and we, though man-y through-out the earth,

Em D G Em A D G C G

we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

Em D Em D

1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
 2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
 3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,

Em F Am D *Refrain*

wom-an or man, no more.
 one in the Lord of all.
 gath-ered to one for all.

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

C **Amen**

Post-Communion Canticle



☩ Lord, now you let your ser-vant go in peace; your word has been ful-filled.



My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re-veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir - it,



as it was in the be-gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men

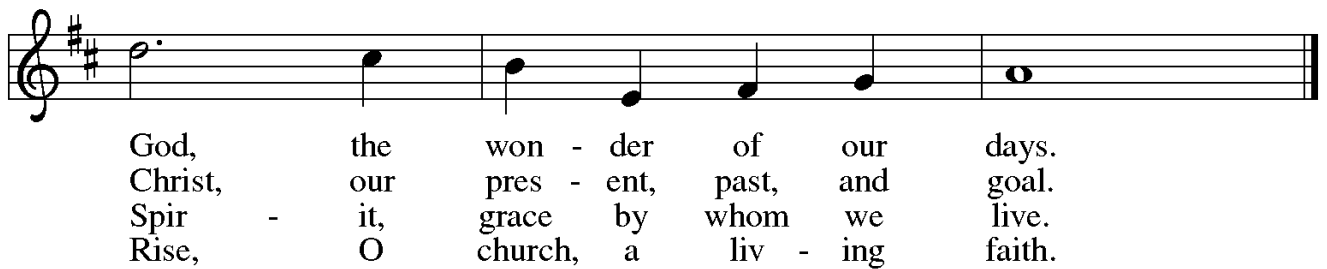
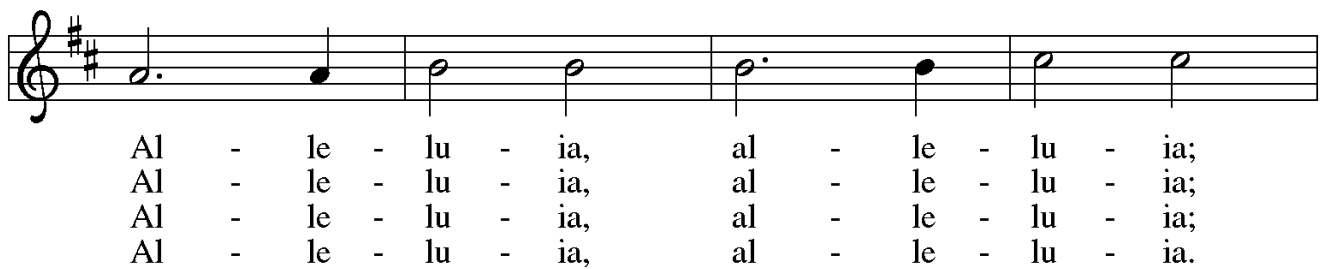
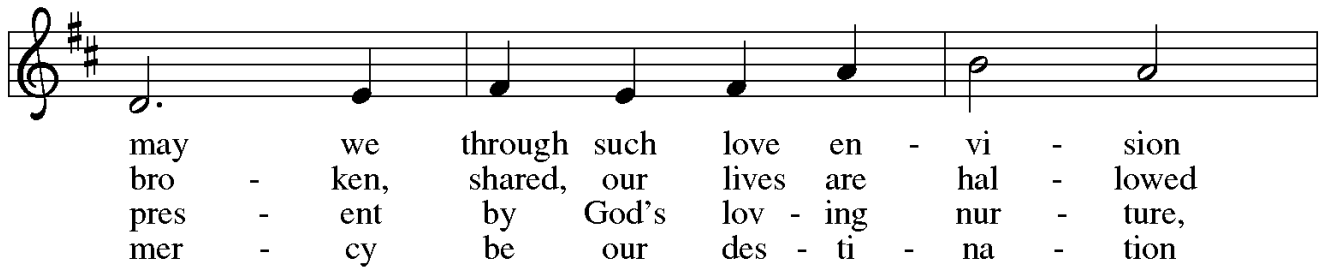
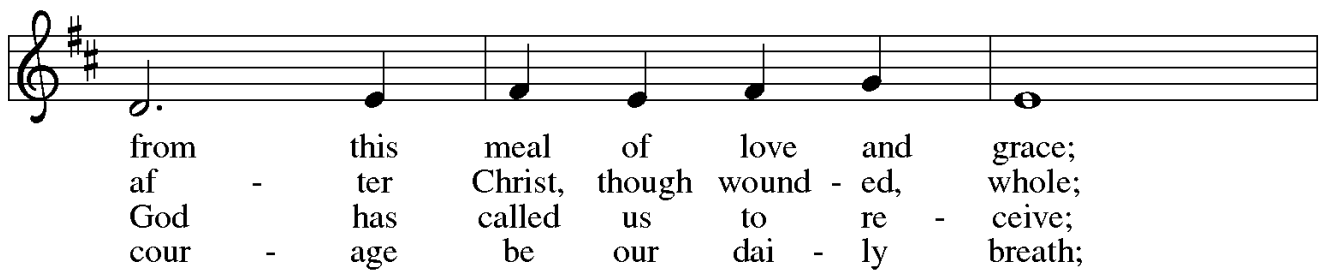
A Let us pray... O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **C Amen**

P The Benediction ☩ **C Amen**

Recessional ELW 548 *Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen* Arr. Jeremey Bankson 2025



1	Rise,	O	church,	like	Christ	a -	ris -	en,
2	Rise,	trans -	formed,	and	choose	to	fol -	low
3	Rise,	re -	mem -	ber	well	the	fu -	ture
4	Ser -	vice	be	our	sure	vo -	ca -	tion;



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Music: SURGE ECCLESIA, Timothy J. Strand, b. 1958
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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude *Toccata in d minor* BWV 565

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Lector		Bob Van Geem
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Ushers & Greeters		Monica Neeley, Mike Sandberg, Jarod Sandberg & Juan Grimaldo
Altar Guild	Jenny Gibson	Cat Andejaski
Audio / Live Stream	Gary Graeber	Holden Rouze / Reagan Waller

Violin Christian Haley, Karen Moxley, Matthew Mullins,
Cheril Rios

Viola Nathaniel Wheeler

Double Bass Amelia DeFanti

Oboe Katelyn Bennett

Flute/Piccolo Christy Gibson, Toni Tharp

Clarinet Kelsey Helton, Nancy Medina, Emily Wenger

Bass Clarinet Cindy Mraz

Sax Nolan Burkett, Kelsey Helton, Mary Keller, Noah Larsen

F Horn Debra Machos

Trumpet Blake Bina, Skye Griffin, Jacob Groening, Lily Proctor

Trombone Jack Graeber, Robert Morris

Bass Trombone Paul Slezak

Tuba John Michael Slezak

Timpani, Trap Set Blake Kitch

Organ/Piano Debbie Villavicencio

Director of Music Viktor Andersson

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 Meyerbeer's opera *Les Huguenots*, as well as others by Buxtehude, Pachelbel, Handel, Telemann, Debussy, Glazunov, Wagner, Vaughn Williams, Max Reger, and countless others.

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.

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Upcoming Commemorations

**Philipp Nicolai, died 1608; Johann Heermann, died 1647;
Paul Gerhardt, died 1676; hymnwriters**

Sunday, October 26, 2025

These great hymnwriters all worked in seventeenth-century Germany in times of war and plague. Nicolai, a pastor, lost 1,300 parishioners to plague, 170 in one week. He wrote "O Morning Star, how fair and bright" and "Wake, awake, for night is flying." Heermann's hymns, including "Ah, holy Jesus," often express the emotions of faith. Gerhardt, perhaps the greatest Lutheran hymnwriter, was a pastor in Berlin.

Simon and Jude, Apostles

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

We know little about these apostles. Simon is listed as "the zealot" or Cananean in New Testament lists. Jude, also called Thaddeus, asked Jesus at the last supper why he had revealed himself to the disciples but not to the world.

Reformation Day

Friday, October 31, 2025

By the end of the seventeenth century, many Lutheran churches celebrated a festival commemorating Martin Luther's posting of the Ninety-five Theses, a summary of abuses in the church of his time. At the heart of the reform movement was the gospel, the good news that it is by grace through faith that we are justified and set free.

All Saints Day

Saturday, November 1, 2025

The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. On this day or the following Sunday, many congregations will remember the faithful who have died during the past year.

