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As We Gather

Lord, keep us faithful to your Word! The Festival of the Lutheran Reformation of the Church emphasizes the true Church's unflinching reliance on the Word of God and unflinching testimony to it in the face of persecution. Jesus promised to pour out his Spirit on the Church that we might be God's mouthpiece even before kings. Today the Church prays that the Lord give us the strength to be faithful and the peace of knowing our lives are safe in his hands.

[Today's hymns are printed on pages 10-14 of the bulletin.]

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

Hymn

TLH 262 – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Sentences

Psalm 46:1, 8-11

P God is our refuge and strength,

C a very present help in trouble.

P Come, behold the works of the Lord.

C He makes wars cease to the end of the earth.

P He will be exalted among the nations.

C He will be exalted in the earth.

P The Lord of hosts is with us;

C the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Confession and Absolution

P God indeed is our refuge and strength, our help and our fortress. Yet we often choose to flee from the refuge of the Lord. We abandon the strength and safety of God, trusting in our own strength and power. The apostle Paul writes that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. And Jesus says that everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. As we enter the house of the Lord and call upon Him for His good and gracious gifts, let us consider our enslavement to sin and our continued shortcomings as God's people.

P Heavenly Father,

C we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have sinned as individuals and as a community. We have ignored neighbors in need. We have caused divisions among Your people. We have sought refuge in the things of this world and not in You. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us back to You, our refuge and strength.

P While we have indeed all fallen short of the glory of God, we are all also justified by God's grace as a gift. Though we have been slaves to sin, God has set us free in the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ. As a called servant of the risen Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. The Son has set us free, and we are free indeed. Amen.

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy". The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics: "on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.". The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

Kyrie Eleison
LORD, HAVE MERCY

The logo features a blue cross symbol above the words "Kyrie Eleison" written in a stylized, gothic script. Below this, the words "LORD, HAVE MERCY" are written in a simple, sans-serif font, underlined.

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis



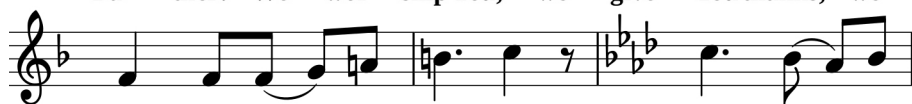
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to all peo-ple on



earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



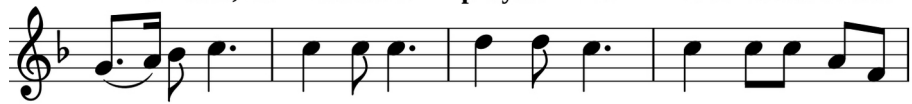
Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the



Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the



Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

- P** God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
- C** **God will help her when morning dawns.**
- P** The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
- C** **he utters his voice, the earth melts.**
- P** The LORD of hosts is with us;
- C** **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**
- P** Come, behold the works of the LORD,
- C** **how he has brought desolations on the earth.**
- P** He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
- C** **he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.**
- P** “Be still, and know that I am God.
- C** **I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”**
- P** The LORD of hosts is with us;
- C** **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Gospel Reading

John 8:31-36

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

Alleluia

- P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are
 writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the
 Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn

TLH 377 (1-5) – Salvation unto Us has Come

Sermon Text

Galatians 5:1-6

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ² Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. ³ I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. ⁴ You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. ⁵ For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. ⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.



For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free

I. From Our Obligation to the Law

II. To Serve Him in Love



Offertory



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O
God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-
va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

Hymn

TLH 377 (6-10) – Salvation unto Us has Come

Offering Hymn

TLH 441 (1-2) – We Give Thee But Thine Own

1. We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2. May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our first-fruits give!

General Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

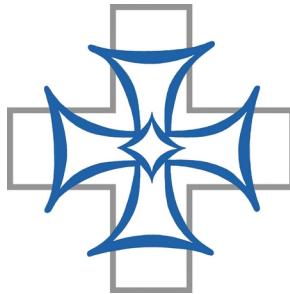
Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

TLH 261 – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word



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TLH 262 – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ps. 46

Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott

Martin Luther, 1529

Tr., composite

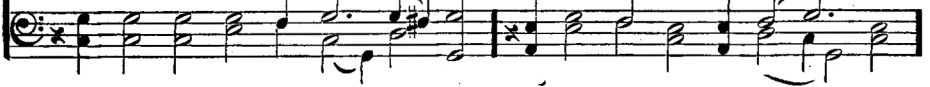
8. 7. 8. 7. 5. 5. 6. 7.

Ein' feste Burg

Martin Luther, 1529



1 A might-y For-tress is our God, A trust-y Shield and Weap - on;
2 With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
3 Tho' dev - ils all the world should fill, All ea - ger to de - vour us,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need That hath us now o'er-tak - en.
But for us fights the Val - iant One, Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill, They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
He's by our side up - on the plain With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil Foe Now means dead - ly woe;
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus Christ it is,
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,



Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
Of Sab - a - oth Lord, And there's none oth - er God;
He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done;
Let these all be gone, They yet have noth - ing won;





On earth is not his e - - - qual.
He holds the field for - ev - - - er.
One lit - tle word can fell him.
The King - dom ours re - main - - eth. A - men.



TLH 377 – Salvation unto Us has Come

Rom. 3-5

Es ist das Heil uns kommen her

Paul Speratus, 1523, cento

Tr., composite

8. 7. 8. 7. 8. 8. 7.

Es ist das Heil

German melody, c. 1400



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and fa - vor;
2 What God did in His Law de-mand And none to Him could ren - der
3 It was a false, mis-lead-ing dream That God His Law had giv - en
4 From sin our flesh could not ab-stain, Sin held its sway un - ceas-ing;



Good works can-not a - vert our doom, They help and save us nev - er.
Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For man, the vile of - fend - er.
That sin - ners could themselves redeem And by their works gain heav - en.
The task was use-less and in vain, Our guilt was e'er in - creas-ing.



Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
Our flesh has not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the
The Law is but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
None can re - move sin's poi - soned dart Or pu - ri - fy our



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
guile - ful heart, - So deep is our cor - rup - tion. A - men.



- 5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
 Or we must die despairing,
 Christ came and hath God's anger
 stilled,
 Our human nature sharing.
 He hath for us the Law obeyed
 And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
 Which over us impended.
- 6 Since Christ hath full atonement made
 And brought to us salvation,
 Each Christian therefore may be glad
 And build on this foundation.
 Thy grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
 Thy death is now my life indeed,
 For Thou hast paid my ransom.
- 7 Let me not doubt, but trust in Thee,
 Thy Word cannot be broken;
 Thy call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
 No falsehood hast Thou spoken.
 Baptized into Thy precious name,
 My faith cannot be put to shame,
 And I shall never perish.
- 8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin
 And makes men conscience-stricken;
 The Gospel then doth enter in
 The sinful soul to quicken.
 Come to the cross, trust Christ, and
 live;
 The Law no peace can ever give,
 No comfort and no blessing.
- 9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
 And rests in Him unceasing;
 And by its fruits true faith is known,
 With love and hope increasing.
 Yet faith alone doth justify,
 Works serve thy neighbor and supply
 The proof that faith is living.
- 10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
 To Father, Son, and Spirit,
 The God that saved us by His grace,—
 All glory to His merit!
 O Triune God in heaven above,
 Who hast revealed Thy saving love,
 Thy blessed name be hallowed.

TLH 261 – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

John 8: 31

Erhalt uns, Herr, bei deinem Wort

Martin Luther, 1541

Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1863

L. M.

Erhalt uns, Herr

“Geistliche Lieder”

Wittenberg, 1543

1 Lord, keep us steady in Thy Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Thy pow'r make known, For Thou art
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and

fain by craft and sword Would wrest the King - dom from Thy
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Thy Chris - ten - dom that
u - ni - ty on earth. Sup - port us in our fi - nal

Son And set at naught all He hath done.
we May ev - er - more sing praise to Thee.
strife And lead us out of death to life. A - men.

✠ Announcements ✠

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

Upcoming Schedule – Online Calendar @ FDLutheran.com/calendar

October 30	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	4:00 pm	Joint Reformation Service
	5:00 pm	Fellowship Meal
November 1	6:30 pm	School Committee
November 2	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship (Sunday Repeat)
November 3	10:00 am	Bible Class
November 6	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
November 8	6:30 pm	Council
November 9	9:00 am	Lakeview Place Worship Service
	10, 11 am	Woodlands Worship Services
	1:30 pm	St. Peter's Place Worship Service
November 10	10:00 am	Bible Class
November 11	6:30 pm	Fellowship Gathering
November 13	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service

Property Needs: There are several needs currently for our church property. We may need to hire out the work on the trees. In that case, any references would be helpful. If you can help, please contact Tyler Kern at 920-266-9366 or tyler@kernhome.org

1. Branches need to be trimmed away from the roof at the parsonage
2. Dead tree needs to be taken down in yard of 146 teacherage
3. Dead tree needs to be removed by backstop

Joint Reformation Service: Luther Memorial is hosting the area Joint Reformation Service this afternoon at 4:00 pm. A fellowship meal will follow the service.

Advent by Candlelight: Luther Memorial Church is excited to again host the Advent by Candlelight event for ladies on Sunday, December 11th at 3:30 pm. Ladies are welcome to invite female relatives and friends! Ladies from other CLC congregations have also been invited. This is a wonderful afternoon of encouragement from God's Word, music, and fellowship to help prepare your hearts for the Advent and Christmas season! More information and registration are available at www.FDLLutheran.com/advent. Questions? Contact Kate Sauers at 314-540-8781.

2023 CLC Mission Helper Trip: Applications are being accepted for the 2023 Mission Helper Trip to Nepal. Space is limited for this trip so please apply early. Find more information at: <https://mht.lutheranmissions.org/>

CLC Call News: Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran, Mountain View, CA, has received the call to Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL. + The CLC Board of Missions has called Pastor Dave Naumann of St. John's Ev. Lutheran, Clarkston, WA, and Peace Lutheran, Orofino, ID, to serve as the CLC's Third Foreign Missionary. + Pastor Joe Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato, MN, is still considering the dual call to serve Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA and Ascension Lutheran, Tacoma, WA.

Fruits of Faith – Week of October 23		Attendance: Sun – 53 Wed – 9	
<u>Luther Memorial Church</u>		<u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u>	
<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>		<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>	
\$974.00	LM General Budget	\$175.00	CLC General Budget
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
-\$1,949.08	-Under / +Over	-\$209.62	-Under / +Over
\$111,499.61	Year to Date Offerings	\$5,360.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$125,692.44	Year to Date Need	\$6,538.54	Fiscal Year to Date Need
-\$14,192.83	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$1,178.54	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>	
	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund
	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
	LM M & I	\$35.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$10.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous