

**Reformation Sunday**

**October 30, 2022**

**9:30 a.m.**

**The Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

\* **Confession & Forgiveness** ELW pgs. 116-118

*P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.***

*P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.***

*P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

*P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.***

*P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.***

\* **Gathering Hymn # 504**

**“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

\* **Greeting** p. 138 *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** p. 138 *P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

*P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

*P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

*P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

*P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen.***

\* **Glory to God** p. 139

\* **The Prayer of the Day** (all pray): **Merciful God, gracious and benevolent, through your Son you invite all the world to a meal of mercy. Grant that we may eagerly follow his call, and bring us with all your saints into your life of justice and joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Choir Anthem**

**“God Is Our Refuge”**

## **The First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup> “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup> not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup> For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares 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> And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsive Reading – Psalm 46**

*L:1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*

**C:2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**

*L:3 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.*

**C:4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

*L:5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.*

**C:6 The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

*L:7 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

**C:8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

*L:9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.*

**C:10 “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”**

**All:11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

## **The Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28**

<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 stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup> For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup> It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

\* **The Gospel Acclamation** p. 142

\* **The Gospel Announcement:**

\* P: The Holy Gospel is heard according to St. John, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

\* **The Gospel Lesson: John 8:31-36**

<sup>31</sup> So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup> and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup> 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'?"

<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup> The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

\* P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Children's Sermon**

**Hymn: #517**

**"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word"**

**The Sermon**

**"The Son Will Set You Free"**

**Pastor William Shields**

*(sermon text – John 8:31-36)*

\* **The Apostle's Creed**

\* **The Hymn of the Day #594** (vs. 1,2,3,4)

**"Dear Christians, One And All, Rejoice"**

**The Offering**

\* **Offering Response #186**

\* **The Prayers of God's People**

\* **The Lord's Prayer**

\* **Benediction**

\* **The Sending Hymn #261** (TOSB)

**"In The Garden"**

\* **The Dismissal**

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Weekly Events:**

Tues. Nov. 1	1:00pm – Library 2:30pm – Worship Comm. 7:00pm – Committee Night
Wed. Nov. 2	6:30am – Men's Bible Study 11:00am – Pastor's Bible Study 1:00pm – Prayer 6:00pm – Confirmation 7:00pm – Choir Practice
Thurs. Nov. 3	6:00pm – Pastor's Bible Study
Sat. Nov. 5	7:00am – Gideon's
<b>Sunday, Nov. 6 -</b>	<b>9:30 am Worship &amp; Comm.</b> <b>10:45am Coffee Fellowship and</b> <b>Sunday School</b>

Prayers for: John Purvis, Ray Larson (*brother of Deb Lindberg*), Melissa Castro (*foot problems*), Ray Schoff (*Shoulder surgery*), Jackie Pilcher (*knee surgery*), Sue Eggers (*abdominal surgery*)  
Cancer patients: Janette Dunn, Loren Cook, Steve "Pin" Johnson, Dennis Little (*brother of Dave*).

Altar Flowers  
To the Glory of God and  
By Deb Lindberg