

SOLA SCRIPTURA
Scripture ALONE
SOLA GRATIA
GRACE ALONE
SOLA FIDE
FAITH ALONE
SOLUS THROUGH CHRIST ALONE
CHRISTUS
SOLI DEO GLORIA
GLORY TO GOD ALONE

Reformation Sunday

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Immanuel Lutheran Church



*Making known by Word and Action
The Healing Presence of God
And Christ Jesus With us and with the world*



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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here for the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the service begins, or call during the week.

WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”* **LSB 656**

Please stand

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

P In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P For by grace you have been saved through faith.

C And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,

P not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

C For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,

P which God prepared beforehand,

C that we should walk in them.

KYRIE *“Kyrie! God, Father”*

LSB 942

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray together.

C Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6-7

L The First Reading for Reformation Sunday is from Revelation, chapter fourteen.

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46

Refrain: First time cantor, then congregation



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

²Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
³though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling. **Refrain**

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

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

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

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

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

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

L ¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God.

I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”

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

EPISTLE READING

Romans 3:19-28

L The Epistle is from Romans, chapter three.

¹⁹Now 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. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom 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. ²⁶It 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. ²⁷Then 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. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

by Sue DeMoss

Please stand

ALLELUIA VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia, Fear not, O flock.

It is your Fa - ther's good plea - sure

His king - dom to be - stow on you.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:12-19

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²[Jesus said:] “From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. ¹³For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵He who has ears to hear, let him hear. ¹⁶“But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, ¹⁷“‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’ ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” **LSB 655**

SERMON

Please stand

THE NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit
of the virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again

according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the hospitalized this past week: Pam Van Camp, Howard Ohl.

We pray for strength and healing for: Rachel Schmidgall, Pam Van Camp, Chris Purviance, Terry Moore, Michael Beauvois, Lori Acree, Pam Hull, Marlene Hilligoss, Mandy Ponder Russian, Jeff Toms, Sandra Courson, Mike Heidtle, Bev Page, Dawn Campbell, Rosalie Finet, Leslie Stone, Del Krueger, Margie Souza, Dan Rull, Darlene Collins, Paul Teegarden, Dan Burmeister, Richard Wahlfeldt, Heather Christensen, Martha Elliott, Angie Lucas, Charlotte Schendel, Walter Harbison, Makenna Eversole, Justin Fleming, Kevin Mixter, Jim Souza, Gregg Sacotnik, Joyce Owens, Linda Grinestaff, Jason Toms, Gabby Reynolds, Toby Ceader, Sarah Koester, Tom Reese, Dottie Kliner, Mary Seifrig, Bruce Garrison, Carol Schafer, Marilina Hutchison, Sarah and Patty Calderon, Jason Dawson, Kathy Howey, Linda Borgwald, Keri Blankenbeckler, and Frank Hutnicke.

Please be seated

OFFERING

Please stand

OFFERTORY

“God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”

LSB 582

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Because it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is proper that we examine ourselves, confess our sins, and ask His Forgiveness.
- C** 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, cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and set us free to serve in His name.
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** We confess, merciful God, that we have let ourselves be enslaved to our selfish egos. We have expected to find Your favor because of our good works instead of relying on Your grace alone. Forgive us and reform us to know again the freedom You offer through Your perfect pardon.
- P** Our Savior's sacrifice was once and for all. God's grace covers all your sins.
- C** We confess, O Holy Spirit, that we have sought other assurances than those You have revealed through the sacred Scriptures. Our faith has waxed and waned according to our health, wealth, and earthly success; we have become captive to them instead of relying on Scripture alone. Forgive us and reform us to know again the freedom that rests on the gracious revelation of your eternal plans for us.
- P** God's inspired Word speaks about our Savior, Jesus Christ, who has forgiven all your sins.
- C** We confess, Lord Jesus, that we have become proud of our religious rituals, personal morality, and good names. We have trusted ourselves instead of Your gift of faith alone. Forgive us and reform us to know again the freedom that relies totally on Your promises.
- P** Through Baptism the Holy Spirit has worked faith in your hearts, and through God's Word and Lord's Supper that faith is sustained and strengthened. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

- 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 Him thanks and praise.



PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, for the eternal gospel of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. On this day He overcame Satan, sin, and death that we may be justified by grace through faith in Christ alone. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

HYMN

“Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old”

LSB 960

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Thanks and praise be to You, Lord our God, for You sent Your only Son to be our Savior. All Scripture speaks of Him, our Lord Jesus Christ; through His death complete and full grace has been offered to us; by the Holy Spirit’s use of Word and Sacrament, we trust in Him for our salvation. We give you thanks that You have reversed the effects of humanity’s fall into sin and have provided full and free redemption. Grant that we may now faithfully eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine, and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life and salvation.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Lord of the Church, in this sacrament You call us to remember Your incarnation and passion, Your death and resurrection; so remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

THE LORD’S PRAYER

C 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.

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI (*Tune: “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word”*)

**O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of this world; thus we pray,
Grant us Your mercy and Your peace until all days and years shall cease.**

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“O Lord, We Praise Thee” **LSB 617**

“O Living Bread from Heaven” **LSB 642**

Please stand

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P Brothers and sisters, you have been saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

C We rejoice in this gift of God!

P You are made to be His workmanship, walking daily in His Word.

C We rejoice in the Word that sets us free!

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Built on the Rock”

LSB 645

POSTLUDE – “A Mighty Fortress”

By Jamie Yonkers

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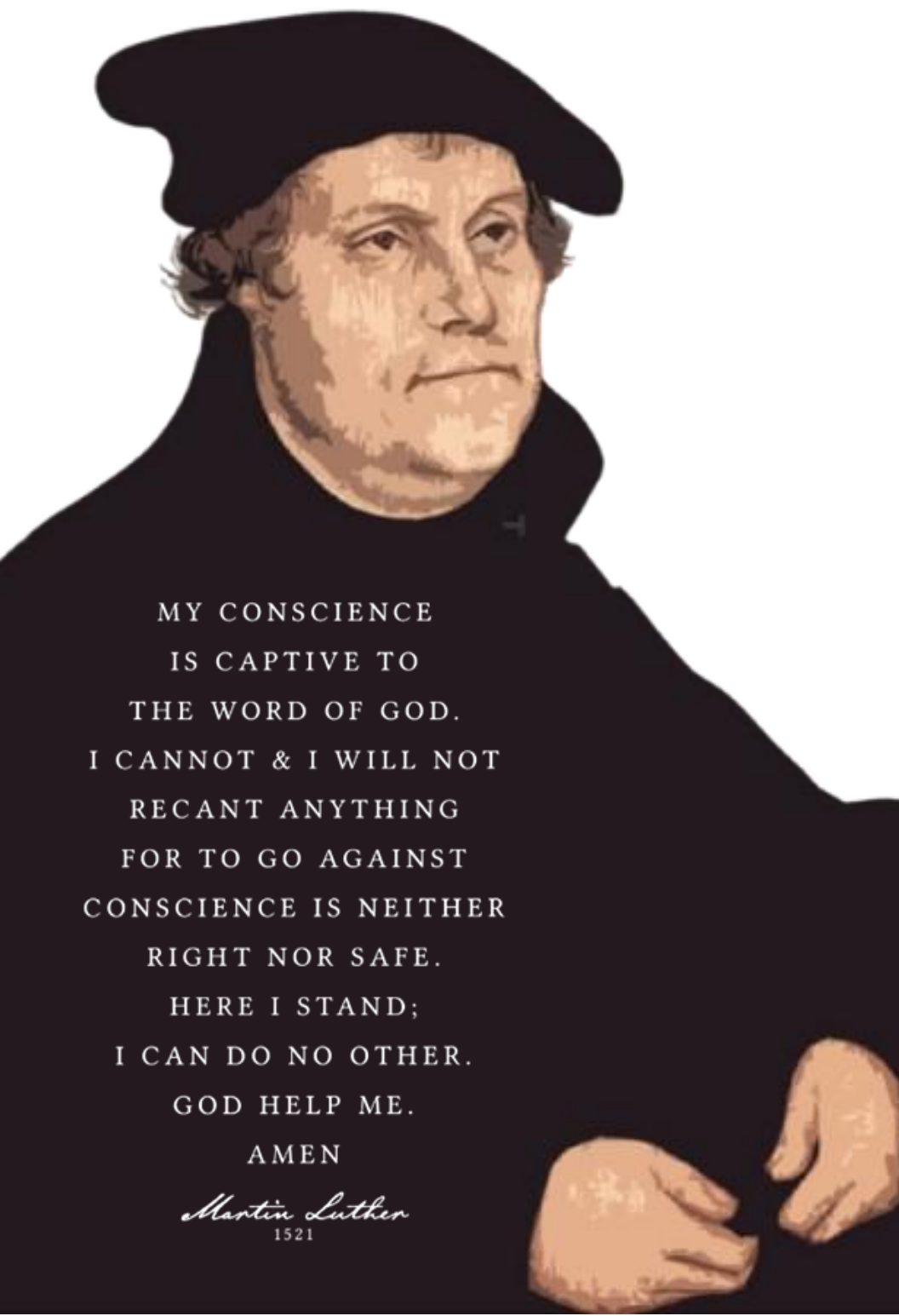
Happy Birthday

Today's bulletin is sponsored by

Mary Powell

*In celebration of her granddaughters' birthdays.
Happy birthday Arianna, Brielle, and Sydney!*





MY CONSCIENCE
IS CAPTIVE TO
THE WORD OF GOD.
I CANNOT & I WILL NOT
RECAT ANYTHING
FOR TO GO AGAINST
CONSCIENCE IS NEITHER
RIGHT NOR SAFE.
HERE I STAND;
I CAN DO NO OTHER.
GOD HELP ME.

AMEN

Martin Luther
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