



Reformation Day (Observed)
8:15 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
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Welcome! When Martin Luther, a professor at Wittenberg University in Eisleben, Germany, read the words of St. Paul in Romans proclaiming that we are saved by faith in Jesus Christ and not by human works, these words not only changed Luther's life, but also the lives of many who would listen to his preaching, study his teaching and read his writings. Saved by faith in Jesus Christ, the Justifier, our Savior and Lord! That truth lives on in our Church's teaching, preaching and hymnody.

+ Order of Worship +

Hymn

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

LSB 904

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit

(Psalm 46, vv. 1-10; antiphon, verse 7)

P: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

C: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Hymn “Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice” 556 vv. 1-5

First Reading

Then 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. And 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.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Rev. 14:6-7



Epistle Reading

Rom. 3:19-28

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. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it — the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 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. 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.

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. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” 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’?”

Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsory

P: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where
Your glory dwells.**

P: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where
Your glory dwells.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
C: **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

The Ten Commandments

C: **You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or his maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

The Apostles' Creed

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.**

Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress"

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Sermon

Rite of Confirmation

(10:30 a.m. service only)

Leah Tykwinski

Offertory "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" LSB 805

Prayer of the Church

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the holy Christian church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For seasonable weather, and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the homes in which our people dwell that all may celebrate and serve in the vocations God has given, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For those in distress of mind, body or soul, for the sick and the dying, and all those who have requested our prayers, including _____, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

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P: (*Specific petitions*) Let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Collect for the Word

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear, mark, and take them to heart that by the power and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger, and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings in life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C: Amen.

Hymn "Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice" 556 vv. 6-10