Nathan and King David



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2026
9:00 am Service

Order of Worship

**stand as you are able*

Prelude ***Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*** Handbell Choir
by Kevin McChesney

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Have mercy, O God, for we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn** ***Word of God, Come Down on Earth **Hymn #510**

1. Word of God, come down on earth,
   living rain from heav'n descending;
   touch our hearts and bring to birth
   faith and hope and love unending.
   Word almighty, we revere you;
   Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

2. Word eternal, throned on high,
Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heav'n to die,
crucified for our salvation,
saving Word, the world restoring,
speak to us, your love outpouring.

3. Word that speaks God's tender love,
one with God beyond all telling,
Word that sends us from above
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

***Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

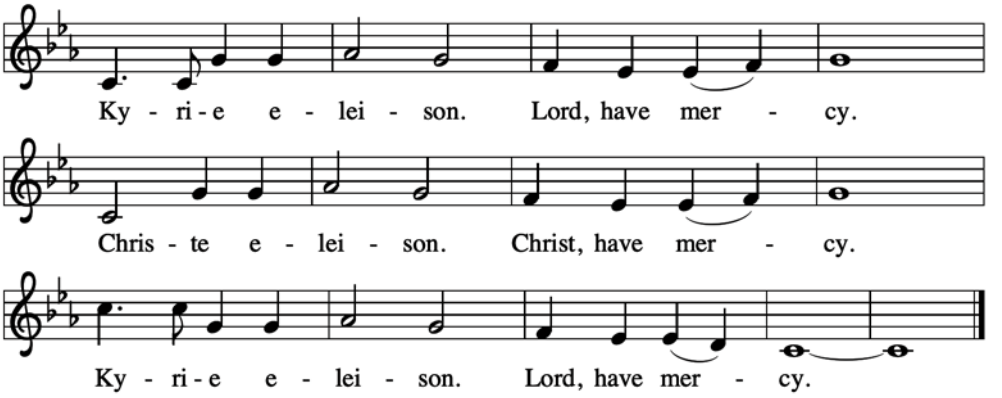
And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**
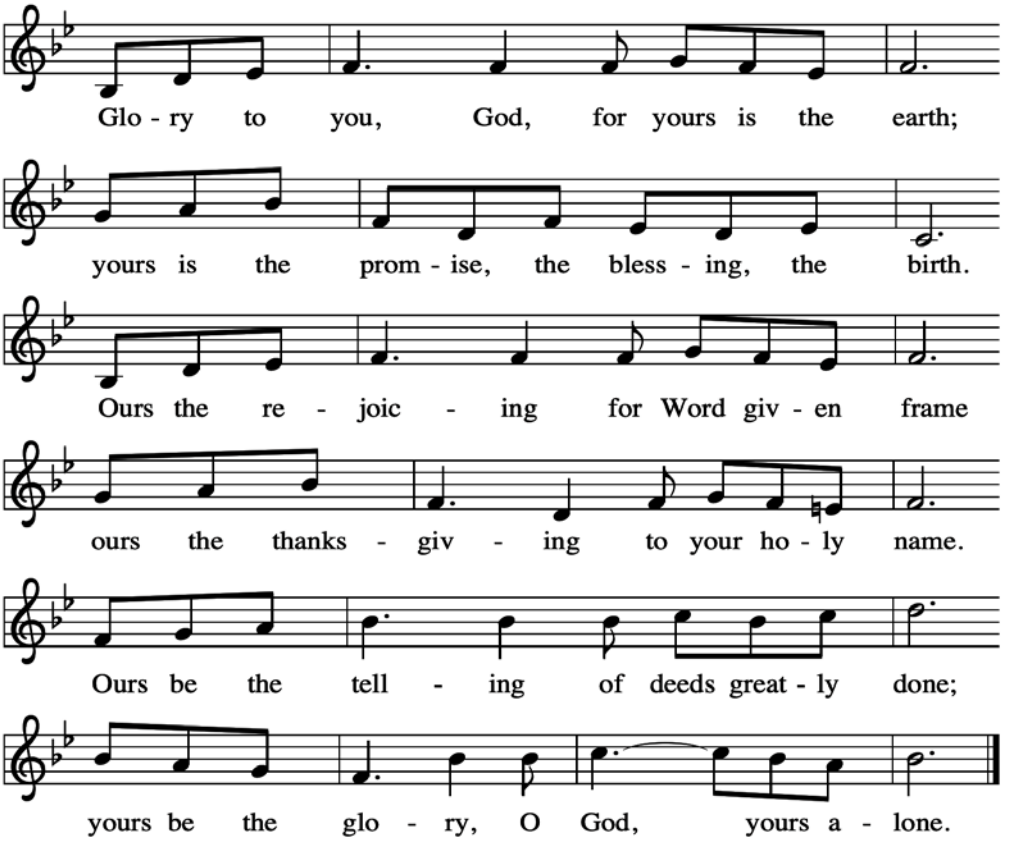
God of forgiveness,

you showed your servant David the error of his ways, and forgave him for his sins. Forgive us, and help us to see how we might live differently to honor you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***Kyrie Eleison** *Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."*



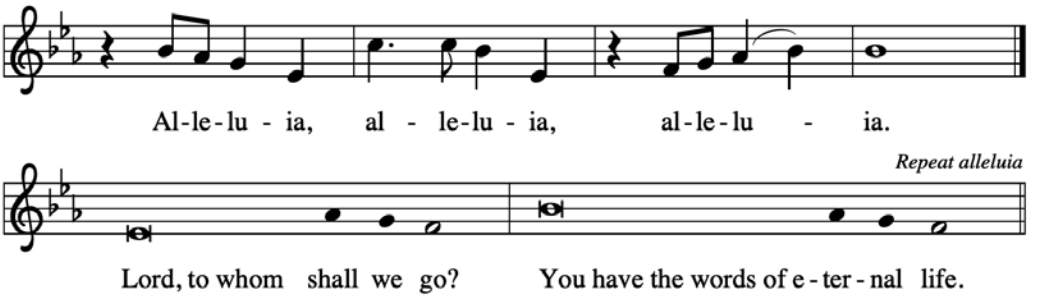
Hymn of Praise** ***Glory to You, God



Children's Moment / Noisy Offering

Reading **Psalm 51:1-9** Old Testament, page 640

***Gospel Acclamation**



***Gospel** **2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9** Old Testament, page 352

The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

Message Shane Marcus

Hymn of the Day** ***God, When Human Bonds Are Broken **Hymn #603**

1. God, when human bonds are broken and we lack the love or skill
   to restore the hope of healing, give us grace and make us still.

2. Through that stillness, with your Spirit come into our world of stress,
   for the sake of Christ forgiving all the failures we confess.

3. You in us are bruised and broken: hear us as we seek release
   from the pain of earlier living; set us free and grant us peace.

4. Send us, God of new beginnings, humbly hopeful into life.
   Use us as a means of blessing: make us stronger, give us faith.

5. Give us faith to be more faithful, give us hope to be more true,
   give us love to go on learning: God, encourage and renew!

***Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

***Prayers of the Church**

Congregational Response: **Hear our prayer.**

***Sharing of the Peace / Announcements**

The peace of the Lord be with you all.
And also with you.

Offering

Thank you for your continued financial support. An offering plate can be found in the back of church as you leave worship. Or give online at www.trin.org/give.

Offertory Anthem ***A Joyful Ring*** Handbell Choir
by Barbara B. Kinyon

Offertory Prayer

Thanksgiving for the Word

Congregational Response: **We give you thanks and praise.**

***Lord's Prayer**

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.

***Blessing**

The God of love, draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope, grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of grace, † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn** ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God **Hymn #504**

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
   He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
   The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
   With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
   On earth he has no equal.

2. No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.
   But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.
   You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
   Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
   He holds the field victorious.

3. Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,
   We tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot over pow'r us.
   Let this world's tyrant rage, in battle we'll engage!
   His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
   One little word subdues him.

4. God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;
   For God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
   Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
   Though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
   The kingdom's ours forever!

Go in peace to practice faithful living and to join God in changing lives.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (reprise)*** Karla Keller

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Faithful Living. Changing Lives.

Pastor Adam Teske
Guest Preacher: Shane Marcus
Chelsea Farniok, Children's Ministry
Karla Keller, Accompanist / Handbell Choir Director

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In Our Prayers:

Elvina Nelson, Steve Boylan, Frank Fritzke, Stacey Lewandowski, Gloria Raguse (sister of Sandy Beckman), Veronica White (sister of Liz Hirsch), Elyse Hirsch (daughter-in-law of Kelly & Liz Hirsch), Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson)

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Marlene Bender who passed away recently. May God bless you with peace and comfort.

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Announcements

You are invited to enjoy conversation, treats and coffee following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Royals Room Noisy Offering Make a Joyful Noise! Thank you for your generous donations to our Noisy Offering, which will go to the Watertown-Mayer Elementary School Royals Room, providing supplies and healthy snacks to students.

Trunk-or-Treat at Trinity Families, friends and neighbors are invited to "trunk-or-treat" in the Trinity parking lot TODAY Sunday, October 25 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Join us for treats, apple cider, bounce houses, and fun for all ages!

Trick-or-Treat for the Food Shelf Youth from local churches will be going door to door in Watertown to collect food shelf donations today, Sunday, October 25 from 3:00 - 6:00 pm. Trinity youth will meet at church, collect food in the neighborhood, and then celebrate with the other church youth groups with a pizza party.