

**Reformation Sunday
October 29, 2023**

Prelude

I Am Sending You Light

I am sending you light to heal you, to hold you,
I am sending you light to hold you in love.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, Jesus who bears the cross, and the Spirit who makes our joy complete.
Amen.

Let us humbly bow before God in confession.

Steadfast and faithful God, you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. You have made us aware of the world's suffering, yet we are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. You have made us to live in harmony with creation, but we have lost our way. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Beloved in Christ, you are already and always forgiven. God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. God's love knows no bounds. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.

Amen.

Opening Hymn

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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.

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? Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

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!

Invocation

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

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Refrain:

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, every day.

1. For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*
2. That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor,
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*
3. For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family.
For life and for love, for our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Readings

Jeremiah 31:27-40

A New Covenant

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says 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. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. Thus says the LORD, who gives the sun for light by day and the fixed order of the moon and the stars for light by night, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—the LORD of hosts is his name: If this fixed order were ever to cease from my presence, says the LORD, then also the offspring of Israel would cease to be a nation before me forever. The days are surely coming when the city shall be rebuilt for the LORD. And the measuring line shall go out, and the whole valley of the dead bodies and the ashes, and all the fields as far as the ends of the earth shall be sacred to the LORD. It shall never again be uprooted or overthrown.

Message

Hymn of the Day

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly thine!

May thy rich grace impart, strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire!
As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee,
Pure, warm, and changeless be a living fire!

When life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread,
Be thou my guide!
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

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.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

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Offertory Response

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am, summon out what I shall be,
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Closing Prayer

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.
Strengthened by Christ's Spirit, send us now to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and
all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

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.

Benediction

May Almighty God, Creator, Christ, and Comforter, keep you in God's light, God's truth, and God's love, now and forever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

Lord of Glory You Have Bought Us

Lord of glory, you have bought us with your life-blood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice.
And with that have freely given blessings, countless as the sand,
To the unthankful and the evil with your own unsparing hand.

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you, gladly, freely of your own,
With the sunshine of your goodness melt our thankless hearts of stone,
Till our cold and selfish natures, warmed by you, at length believe,
That more happy and more blessed, 'tis to give than to receive.

Lord of glory, you have bought us with your life-blood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice.
Give us faith to trust you boldly, hope, to stay our souls on you,
But, oh, best of all your graces, with your love our love renew.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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In Our Prayers this Week:

*Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four weeks
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