

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Rev. David O. Stecker
Liturgist: Seminarian James Haugen
Organist: Nicole Busarow
Choir: Adult Choir (8:00, 10:30)
Brass: Emily Castens, Brandon Eiler, Matt Gehl,
Sarah Gehl, Erica Miller, Paige Stutzman
Soloist: Gwen Hofman (7:00)
Acolytes: Zion Kinnee, Talan Turner (8:00)
Kate Hellinger, Alex Webb (10:30)
Elder: Mike Sweet (8:00, 10:30)
Josh Werling (7:00)

Reformation Day

October 25, 2020



Emanuel Lutheran Church

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Saturday Evening Service: 5:00 in the Sanctuary
Sunday Worship Services: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.
“The Gathering” Contemporary Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
in the Auxiliary Gym at CLS

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Divine Service IV with Communion – LSB page 203

WELCOME to those visiting us this Lord’s Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

AS WE GATHER ~ To the consternation of His opponents, Jesus announced that those who abide in His Word know the truth, which sets them free. And the truth, Paul points out in the Epistle, is that God has declared us justified, not guilty under His Law, because of His gracious gift of faith in Christ. That gift frees us from fearing God’s righteous wrath; we are confident that the Lord of hosts is with us. Sure of His presence and protection, we need not fear the forces of nature, the conflicts of people and nations, and the wiles of the devil. Rather, in all that we think, say, and do, we are free to respond to the angelic invitation we hear today: “fear God and give Him glory . . . and worship Him who made heaven and earth” (Revelation 14:7).

PRELUDE *A Mighty Fortress (Wolff)*

GREETING AND RINGING OF THE BELLS

♪ **OPENING HYMN** ↓ *Lift High the Cross* *LSB 837*

Refrain: **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.** *Refrain*

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine.** *Refrain*

**All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.** *Refrain*

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou has promised, draw us all to Thee.** *Refrain*

**Let ev’ry race and ev’ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.** *Refrain*

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!** *Refrain*

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ~ Page 203 ↑

Liturgist: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19)

Liturgist: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.** (Psalm 124:8)

Liturgist: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** (Psalm 130:3-4)

Liturgist: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.

People: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Liturgist: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **Amen.** (John 20:19-23)

INTROIT FOR THE DAY ↑ (8:00, 10:30)

Refrain: **I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, O Lord,
And shall not be put to shame.**

I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.
Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

The Lord redeems the life of His servants;

None of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

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. *Refrain*

♪ KYRIE ~ Page 204 ↑ (8:00, 10:30)

Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

(Mark 10:47)

♪ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ Page 204 ↑ (8:00, 10:30)

To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth;
Good-will from God in heaven proclaimed at Jesus’ birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing --
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav’nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, the Father’s Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; receive our heart-felt cry,
Where You in pow’r are seated at God’s right hand on high --

For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father’s glory. “Amen!” our glad reply.

(Luke 2:14; John1:29)

COLLECT OF THE DAY ↑

Liturgist: The Lord be with you. (Ruth 2:4)

People: And also with you. (Luke 1:28)

Liturgist: Let us pray.
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.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING ↓ Revelation 14:6-7 (ESV)

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.”

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 ↓ (8:00, 10:30)

Refrain: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
Though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
The holy habitation of the Most High.

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

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters His voice, the earth melts. Refrain

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
Come, behold the works of the Lord, how He has brought desolations on the earth.

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

“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations,

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob in our fortress.

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. Refrain

EPISTLE READING ↓ Romans 3:19-28 (ESV)

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.

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

♪ ALLELUIA and VERSE ~ Page 205 ↑ (8:00, 10:30)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,

These things are written that you may believe

That Jesus is the Christ, The Son of God.

(John 20:31)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL READING ↑

John 8:31-36 (ESV)

Liturgist: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

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

Liturgist: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

♪ HYMN OF THE DAY ↑

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 656

A mighty fortress is our God, a trusty shield and weapon;

He helps us free from ev’ry need that hath us now o’ertaken.

The old evil foe now means deadly woe; deep guile and great might

Are his dread arms in fight; on earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done, soon were our loss effected;

But for us fights the valiant One, whom God Himself elected.

Ask ye, who is this? Jesus Christ it is, of Sabaoth Lord,

And there’s none other God; He holds the field forever.

Though devils all the world should fill, all eager to devour us,

We tremble not, we fear no ill; they shall not over-pow’r us.

This world’s prince may still scowl fierce as he will, he can harm us none.

He’s judged; the deed is done; one little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain nor any thanks have for it;

He’s by our side upon the plain with His good gifts and Spirit.

And take they our life, goods, fame, child, and wife, though these all be gone,

Our vict’ry has been won; the Kingdom ours remaineth.

SERMON ↓

Through the Perspective of a Slave

John 8:31-36

NICENE CREED ~ Page 206 ↑

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF CATECHISMS TO OUR 5TH GRADE MEMBERS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH ↑

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)



We welcome the opportunity to explain what we believe, teach and confess regarding the Lord’s Supper. In order not to impose those beliefs on you, we ask that if you are not a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, you would speak with a Pastor before receiving Holy Communion.

PREFACE ~ Page 208 ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly meet, right and salutary.....evermore praising you and saying:

♪ SANCTUS ~ Page 208 ↑ (spoken at 7:00)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored:

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER ~ Page 209 ↑

(Matthew 6:9-13)

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: 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. Do this 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."

PAX DOMINI ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

(John 20:19)

♪ AGNUS DEI ~ Page 210 ↑ (spoken at 7:00)

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(John 1:29)

♪ DISTRIBUTION ↓ *CLS Chapel Hymn of the Month: Christ Be My Leader* LSB 861

Christ be my Leader by night as by day;

Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.

Gladly I follow, my future His care,

Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,

Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.

Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,

Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;

Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.

Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain

Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

BLESSING ~ Page 210 ↑

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

People: Amen.

♪ NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Page 211 ↑ (8:00, 10:30)

O Lord, now let Your servant depart in heav’nly peace,

For I have seen the glory of Your redeeming grace:

A light to lead the Gentiles unto Your holy hill,

The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, all glory to the Son,

All glory to the Spirit, forever Three in One;

For as in the beginning, is now, shall ever be,

God’s triune name resounding through all eternity.

COLLECT ~ Page 212 ↑

Pastor: Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION ~ Page 212 ↑

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

(Numbers 6:24-26)

♪ CLOSING HYMN ↑

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655

Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; curb those who by deceit or sword

Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son and bring to naught all He has done.

Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known, for You are Lord of Lords alone;

Defend Your holy Church that we may sing Your praise eternally.

O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth;

Support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

POSTLUDE

Salvation Unto Us Has Come (Wolff)