



Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church! We are brothers and sisters in Christ who are about **“Proclaiming God’s grace through faith and love.”**

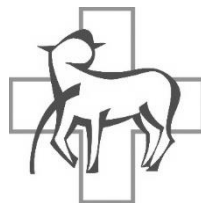
If you are a visitor, please make yourself at home and don’t hesitate to ask a question. There will be the celebration of Holy Communion in the **10:30a.m. service** today. If you are not a member of Grace and desire to commune, please speak with the pastor **before the service**. If you are physically unable to commune at the altar, the pastor would be happy to serve you in your pew. Please, notify an usher before the service begins.

REFORMATION DAY

October 27, 2024

Today in Worship

- History is the occasion but not the focus of this observance of the anniversary of the Reformation. It was an event, for sure, but it was an event precipitated by a crisis of teaching. The observance of Reformation Day remains a day on which we focus upon teaching—the faithful teaching of the justification of the sinner before God by grace through faith. We recall what happened as a warning that we must not allow doctrine to be corrupted and the Gospel of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ become a new law that binds instead of frees the sinner from his chains. Today, we give a nod to the past while affirming in the present the same commitment to deliver the faithful Gospel of Jesus Christ: the justifier who declares the sinner just.
- In the back of the worship folder during October we will be learning more about The Five Solas from the Lutheran Reformation.



Ringling of the Bells

Announcements (10:30am Service)

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book #555, vv1-4, 10
“Salvation Unto Us Has Come”

Opening Versicles Ps. 118:24, 113:3, 84:10; 25:4; Jn 17:17

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

P Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

P Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C Teach me Your paths.

P Sanctify us in Your truth.

C Your Word is truth.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

C 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.

Old Testament Canticle Lutheran Service Book p. 261-262

Refrain *(sung by All)*



C The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has become my sal - va - tion.

Verse *(sung by Choir)*

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day:

*“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted.”*

Refrain *(sung by All)*

Verse *(sung by Choir)*

*Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.*

*Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.*

Refrain *(sung by All)*

Verse *(sung by Choir)*

*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 *(sung by All)*

Psalm 46

P God is our refuge and strength,

C a very present help in trouble.

P Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,

C though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

P though its waters roar and foam,

C though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

P There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

C the holy habitation of the Most High.

P God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

C God will help her when morning dawns.

P The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;

C he utters his voice, the earth melts.

P The Lord of hosts is with us;

C the God of Jacob is our fortress.

P Come, behold the works of the Lord,

C 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;

C **he burns the chariots with fire.**

P “Be still, and know that I am God.

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

P The Lord of hosts is with us;

C **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

C **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.**

Hymn of Praise

Lutheran Service Book #655

“Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

First Reading

Revelation 14:6-7

“Another angel proclaims an eternal Gospel message.”

L The First Reading for the festival of the Reformation is from Revelation, chapter 14.

⁶ 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. ⁷ 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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

Romans 3:19-28

“God grants the gift of redemption through Jesus Christ.”

L The Epistle Reading is from Romans, chapter three.

¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ 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. ²⁶ 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.

²⁷ 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. ²⁸ For 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.**

Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

“Jesus proclaims that ‘the truth will set you free.’”

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³ 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’?”

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Responsory

(Ps. 119:89; 26:8; Lk 11:28) LSB p. 263

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

G 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.

G 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.

G Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Catechism

LSB p. 264

P The Ten Commandments

G 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 maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

P The Apostles' Creed

G 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 shall 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.

P 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.

Message for Children from God's Word

Hymn of the Day

*Lutheran Service Book #656
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

Sermon

Offering

"Be still, and know that I am God." – *Psalm 46:10*

We encourage you to place your offering in the dropbox in the narthex before service. As the usher brings the offering forward at this time you may also hold it up and place it in the plate as the usher walks by. Please also use this time for prayer and reflection upon what we have heard from the Lord's Word this morning.



Stand

Prayer of the Church

Responses after each petition:

P ...let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer *Spoken*

The Words of our Lord *Spoken*

Pax Domini *"The Peace of Our Lord"*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei *"Lamb of God, Pure and Holy" - LSB #434, v. 1*

Distribution Hymns

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

LSB # 633

"O Lord, We Praise Thee"

LSB # 617

"What is the World to Me"

LSB # 730

Nunc Dimittis *"Sent Forth By God's Blessing" - LSB #643, v. 1*

The Morning Prayer

P Let us pray. I thank Thee my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ Thy 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 and 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.

C Amen.

New Testament Canticle

LSB p. 266-267

Refrain *(sung by All)*

Refrain

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Verse (sung by Choir)

*Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.
Death has no more dominion over Him.*

Refrain (sung by All)**Verse (sung by Choir)**

*Dying Christ dies to sin, once for all.
Living, He lives to God.
Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God
In Christ Jesus, our Lord.*

Refrain (sung by All)**Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

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.**

Greeting of Peace**Closing Hymn**

*Lutheran Service Book #735
"Have No Fear, Little Flock"*