8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP October 27, 2024 REFORMATION SUNDAY

PRELUDE: "The Church's One Foundation" – P. Bunjes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

During the Confession you may either stand or kneel as you are able.

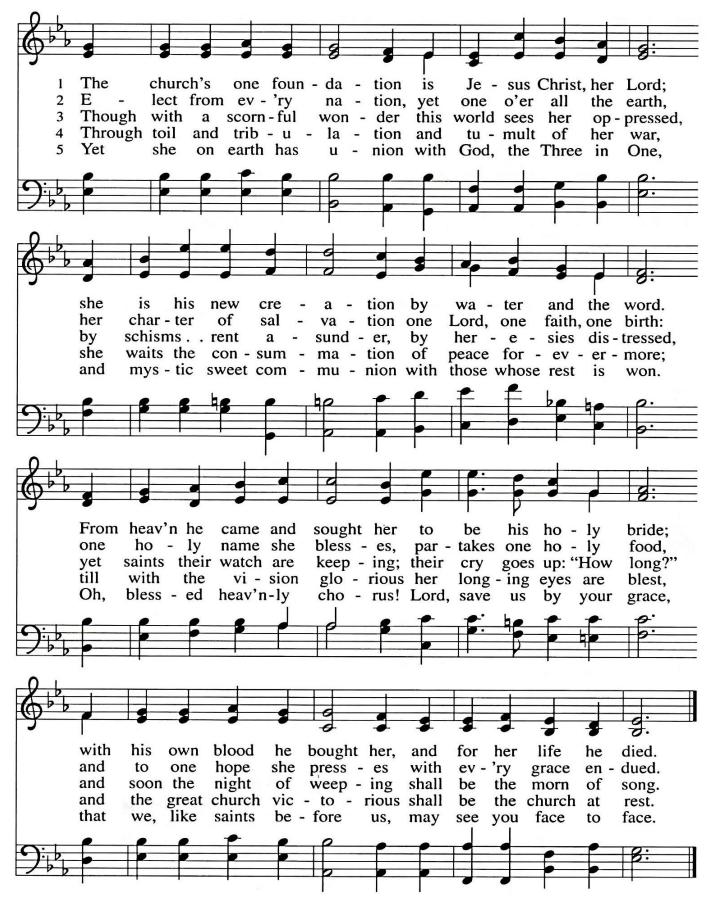
- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

GATHERING HYMN: "The Church's One Foundation"



Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900 Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

APOSTOLIC GREETING:

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

HYMN OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P. Let us pray.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, 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.

Please be seated

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34

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PSALM 46

Spoken responsively, the Lector speaks the verses in regular print and congregation speaks the verses in **bold** print.

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

³ though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ "Be still, then, and know that I am God;I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 3:19-28

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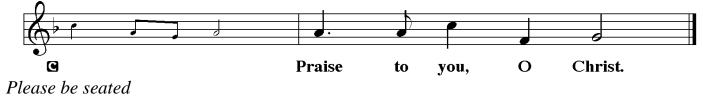
GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew 16:18

see below

¹⁸ And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.



After the reading the minister says: "The Gospel of the Lord"



SERMON

Pastor Marjorie McDaniel

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: J. Klug, Geistliche Lieder, 1543 ERHALT UNS, HERR LM

APOSTLES' CREED:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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,

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

and the life everlasting. Amen

- A. Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.
 - A brief silence.
- A: God of grace,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.
- C: Amen.

*Please stand as you are able.***SHARING OF THE PEACE:**P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the PEACE of the Lord with one another.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" -

A mighty fortress is our God, a trusty shield and weapon; he helps us free from every need that hath us now o'er taken, 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 hold 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 overpow'r us.

Martin Luther, 1529; Setting by Carl Schalk

This world's prince may 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, Good, fame, child, and wife, let these all be gone, they yet have nothing won; the Kingdom ours remaineth.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING:



OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- A. Merciful Father,
- C. we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION LITURGY

P. You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will

and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE 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.

Sit

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.



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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

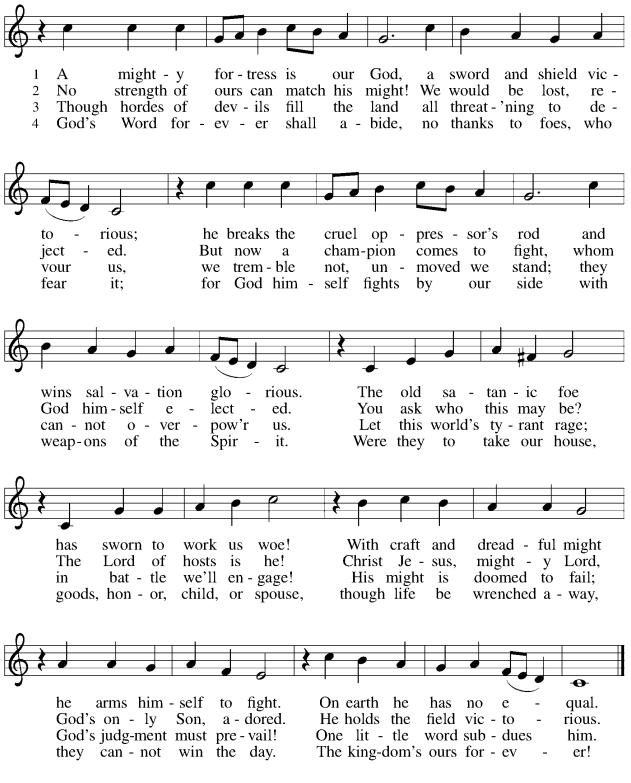
P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "A Mighty Fortress"



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DISMISSAL:

- A. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God!

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Today's altar flowers are given by Mark & Linda Pillar in honor of Lacey Gogert's birthday.