

# CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

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# Reformation Day

October 24 & 25, 2020

5:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m.

## AS WE GATHER

As a milestone is reached in the history of Chapel of the Cross-Lutheran, we look with thanksgiving at the guiding hand of God in these past 55 years. We rejoice to see and participate in the many opportunities for ministry in the present, and we reach out with hope and prayer, trusting the promises of God for growth and mission in the years that lie ahead. We welcome you on this Reformation Day, and pray that you would be blessed by God's gifts that He gives through Word and Sacrament.

## PRELUDE

Variations on "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

## WELCOME

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

## OPENING HYMN

644 The Church's One Foundation (vv. 1-2, 4-5) (sung by soloists)

1        *The Church's one foundation  
          Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
          She is His new creation  
          By water and the Word.  
From heav'n He came and sought her  
          To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her,  
          And for her life He died.*

2        *Elect from ev'ry nation,  
          Yet one o'er all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation:  
          One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses,  
          Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses  
          With ev'ry grace endued.*

4        *Through toil and tribulation  
          And tumult of her war  
She waits the consummation  
          Of peace forevermore  
Till with the vision glorious  
          Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
          Shall be the Church at rest.*

5        *Yet she on earth has union  
          With God, the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
          With those whose rest is won.  
O blessèd heav'nly chorus!  
          Lord, save us by Your grace  
That we, like saints before us,  
          May see You face to face.*

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*Please stand*

## INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Leader: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

People: **Amen.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

948 All Glory Be to God Alone (v. 3-5) (sung by soloists)

- 3        *Lord God, our King on heaven's throne,  
Our Father, the Almighty One.  
O Lord, the sole-begotten One,  
Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,  
True God from all eternity,  
O Lamb of God, to You we flee.*
- 4        *You take the whole world's sin away;  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.  
You take the whole world's sin away;  
O Lord, receive our prayer this day.  
From God's right hand Your mercy send,  
To all the world Your grace extend.*
- 5        *You only are the Holy One  
And over all are Lord alone.  
O Jesus Christ, we glorify  
You and the Spirit, Lord Most High;  
With Him You evermore shall be  
One in the Father's majesty.*

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

## ✠ WORD ✠

### FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6-7

*(Give glory to God)*

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth--to every nation, tribe, language and people. <sup>7</sup> He said in a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Justification is by faith)*

<sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God.

<sup>20</sup> Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.

<sup>21</sup> But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. <sup>22</sup> This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. <sup>25</sup> God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished-- <sup>26</sup> he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus

<sup>27</sup> Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith. <sup>28</sup> For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM

"Speak, O Lord"

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- Verse 1      *Speak O Lord as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your holy word  
Take Your truth plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory*
- Verse 2      *Teach us Lord full obedience  
Holy reverence true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity  
Cause our faith to rise  
Cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of power that can never fail  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief*
- Verse 3      *Speak O Lord and renew our minds  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak O Lord till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory*

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*Please stand*

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

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 8:31-36

*(The truth will make you free)*

<sup>31</sup> To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

<sup>33</sup> They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"

<sup>34</sup> Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup> Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

**Leader:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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 will 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.**

## HYMN

*"A Chosen, Precious Cornerstone" (sung by soloists)*

*A chosen, precious cornerstone  
In Zion laid, as flesh and bone,  
Incarnate God Most High;  
This stone the builders would reject,  
God's will obeyed as God's Elect  
For us ordained to die,  
For us ordained to die!*

*The Stone was set for all to see,  
As jewel of that sacred tree,  
A gem of priceless worth;  
So faith and hope could rest secure.  
Upon such love, so rare and pure,  
Love bridging heav'n and earth,  
Love bridging heav'n and earth.*

*For Jesus is that saving Name  
The One of worth to rightly claim  
Redemption gained for all:  
Fulfilling God the Father's plan,  
Christ came to earth as God and man,  
Undoing Adam's Fall,  
Undoing Adam's Fall.*

*All those once lost, condemned, alone,  
God's grace would claim and make His own:  
Washed clean, renewed, restored;  
As living stones, born from above,  
Built on that Name whose name is Love,  
On Jesus Christ our Lord,  
On Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Now none who trust Christ's holy Name  
Shall stumble or be put to shame  
They walk in wondrous light!  
Made royal priests, a chosen race,  
A people for the praise of grace  
That called them out of night,  
That called them out of night.*

*To God the Father, who is known  
Through God the Son, true Cornerstone,  
All laud and praise afford,  
With God the Spirit honor be,  
The Three in One, the One in Three,  
Thrice-holy, gracious Lord,  
Thrice-holy gracious Lord!*

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

*Please stand*

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

**+++ Special Intercessions +++**

**Each concluding:** Leader: Lord, in Your mercy, **People: hear our prayer.**

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: 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**

**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.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**656    A Mighty Fortress is Our God**

**1       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.**

2       **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.**

3       **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.  
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.**

4       **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.**

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## POSTLUDE

“Fanfare and Finale”  
(from Renaissance Dances)

Tylman Susato

Prepare for next weekend’s worship by reading:  
Revelations 7:(2-8) 9-17; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

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# Serving at Chapel

Preacher:	Theodore Laesch
Liturgists:	5:00 p.m. Adam Rouse
	8:30 a.m. Jake Bellinghausen
	11:00 a.m. Jed McClellan
Singers:	5:00 p.m. Lynda Christian, Nate Laesch
	8:30 a.m. Lynda Christian, Nate Laesch
	11:00 a.m. Joyful Noise
Instrumentalists:	Nate Laesch, Trumpet
	Zeke Laesch, Horn
	Jake Laesch, Euphonium
	Ellory Glenn, Bass Guitar
	Glenn Lackey, Percussion
Handbells Director	Jen Schmidt
Joyful Noise Director	Carolyn Rusnak
Organist & Accompanist:	Ryan Meyer

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### Worship and Christian Education

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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Live internet streaming at [www.chapelofthecross.org](http://www.chapelofthecross.org) Sundays at 8:30 a.m.

*Holy Communion is celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 8:30 a.m.,  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 11:00 a.m.,  
and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month at 5:00 p.m.*

Sunday school for children, Sunday Bible classes for adults and youth – 9:45 a.m.

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### Missions

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