

Reformation Sunday
October 28, 2018
8:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the † holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

C Amen

P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

silence for reflection and self-examination

P Source of all life,

C we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen

P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, † God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's

people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C Amen

Gathering Hymn

'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God'

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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.

please be seated

Opening Sentences (Psalm 46)

A God is our refuge and strength,

C a very present help in trouble.

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

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

A though its waters roar and foam,

C though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

A The Lord of hosts is with us;

C the God of Jacob is our fortress.

A It is better to take refuge in the Lord

C than to trust in man.

A It is better to take refuge in the Lord

C than to trust in princes.

A The Lord is my strength and my song;

C he has become my salvation.

A I shall not die, but I shall live,

C and recount the deeds of the Lord.

Prayer of the Day

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.

C **Amen**

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It 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. ³³But 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. ³⁴No 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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading

Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

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

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

please be seated

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word'

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Nicene Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

Peace

The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".

please be seated

Offering

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Offertory 'That Priceless Grace' vs 1 & 4 **591**

Offering Prayer

A God of life,

C you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

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Lord's Prayer

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Distribution of Holy Communion

Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand.

Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God'

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'The Church's One Foundation'

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'God's Word Is Our Great Heritage'

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Holy and compassionate God,

C in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen

Blessing

Sending Hymn 'Rise, Shine, You People!' **665**

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Worship Assistants: October 28

Greeters: Mason –Ron Bailey
East – Mary & Ray Hubers

Assisting Minister: Becky Luett

Lector: Becky Luett

Communion 8:30: Marty Grow

Communion 10:30: Luann Seidl

Ushers: John Kading, Bob Waldron, Ed Kerwell

Organist: Diane Bailey

Attendance 10/21/18: 8:30 - 65 10:30 – 16

H.S. Grilled Cheese Lunch: 10/18/18 – 170

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today.

There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.

*If you are looking for a church home,
you are welcome here.*

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Marian Breitenfeldt and Dorothy Henke.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Kay Elliott; James DeBraal; Bernie Hobbs; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Carol Baumbach; Dottie Frankie; Kristi Meier.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the cards** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Volunteers always appreciated: If you like to visit with people, work in the yard, help with property projects, help in the kitchen, bake once in a while, drive people to appointments, play games... Call 734-7225; ask for Becky, Katie or Cheryl, and we'll find the perfect spot for you to help make a difference at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes

If you or a family member are **hospitalized**, please give Pastor Dan a call and let him know. We don't always get a call from the hospital to let the church know.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Apartment for rent: 1-2 BR; Call Becky at 734-7225.

Missing from kitchen 9 x13 cake pans Do you have any to spare? Just drop them off!! Thanks

All Saints' Sunday: On Sunday, November 4, 2018 we will be celebrating All Saints' Day during worship. If you have a loved one who has passed away since the last All Saints' Day, please contact the office by email Grace54914@gmail.com or call the church office 733-9135. We need the correct spelling and the date of death. We will also include the names of those recently baptized in the last year, again we need correct spelling and dates. We will need these names and dates **TODAY.**

Just a reminder Grace is no longer collecting **Plastic caps and lids** as the recycling source stopped doing it. Thank you.

Do you know we have a **Grace Visitor group**? About a dozen of your fellow members have committed to visiting and praying for a specific member on a regular basis. Talk to Sharon Meier if you would like to hear more about this ministry that allows you to build a relationship with someone new. Remember, it's God's work, but our hands.

Trunk-or-treat events bring Halloween to parking lots where kids go from car to car and get candy. It is **TODAY** 11:15 to 12:30. Stop by and have a brat and help the kids celebrate.

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday November 4th at 2 am. Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour Saturday night before you go to bed.

This is a **sign up sheet** on the table in the narthex to sign up to **bring treats** for hospitality time between services. Please help and sign up today.

Fun \$ Facts

Grace has given out \$9,468.00 to benevolence so far this calendar year.

Bibles will be presented at the 10:30 service October 28th to 3rd graders: Jarek Goszkowski, Cyenna LyBoualoug, and 9th graders: Noah Bramer and Kaleb Haverkorn. Let us all wish them well in exploring The Good News.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, October 28** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
11:15 – 12:30 Trunk or Treat
10:30 am Worship
- Monday, October 29**.....7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
- Tuesday, October 30** 8:30 am Quilting
6:00 pm Confirmation
- Wednesday, October 31**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Worship
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
- Thursday, November 1**.....10:00 am Grilled Cheese
- Friday, November 2** 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
(Meeting at Heritage)
- Saturday, November 3**.....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship
- Sunday, November 4** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

