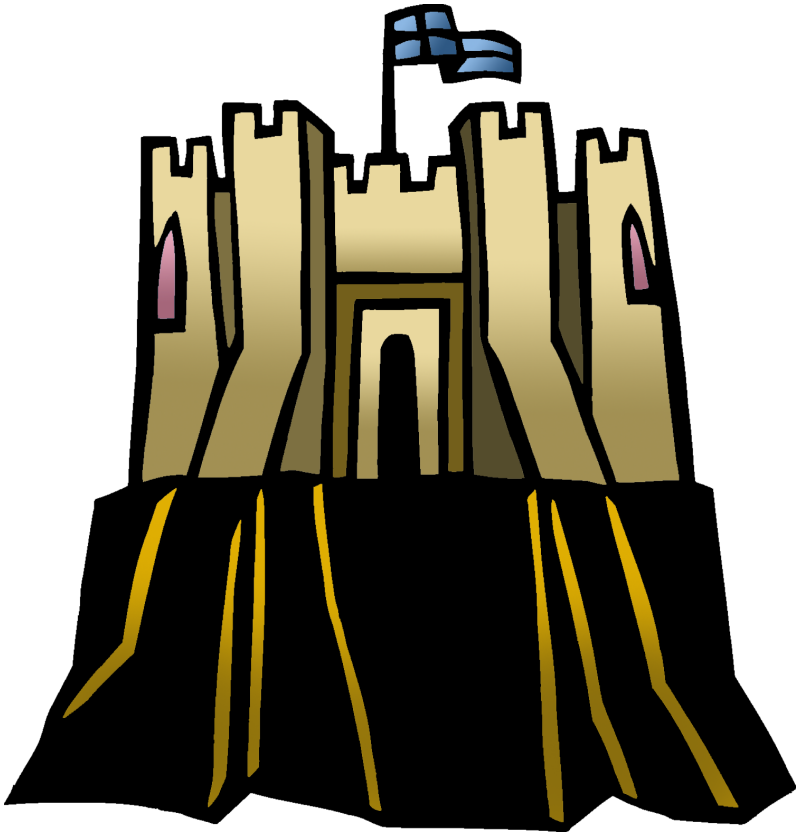

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 25, 2020 - REFORMATION SUNDAY

“Continue in my word.”

[John 8:31]



WELCOME

We're glad you chose to worship with us.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ – the good news – that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

PRELUDE

Thy Strong Word

Robert Hobby

BELL

GATHERING PRAYER

Adapted from the Prayers of Martin Luther

Waken our hearts, O Lord, our God; make them
ever watchful to serve You and Your purposes.

Trouble us with the smallness of our vision and work.

**Trouble us with the greatness of Your command
to make disciples of all nations.**

**Trouble us with Your great love for sinners and
our own slowness to make You our greatest love.**

**Trouble us with the brevity of our lives and
time, talent, and treasure not invested in eternity.**

Comfort us by drawing us to Yourself with the cords of
Your unfailing mercy.

Comfort us, O Lord, with the assurance of our salvation and
unending glory with You when we suffer and are afflicted.

**Rekindle in us a renewed desire
for the coming of Your glorious kingdom
when all wrongs will be made right,
when everything that is broken will be made whole,
and when we will trade a cross for a crown.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Stand as you are able

GATHERING HYMN A Mighty Fortress

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1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

GREETING

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

SONG OF PRAISE

Rock of My Salvation

Refrain

**You are the Rock of my salvation,
You are the strength of my life.
You are my hope and my inspiration,
Lord, unto you will I cry.**

**I believe in you, believe in you,
For your faithful love to me.
You have been my help in time of need;
Lord, unto you will I cleave. *Refrain***

Inspired by Psalm 46

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

Sit

READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

I will write the law in their hearts, says the Lord

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.

A The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

READING

PSALM 46:10-11

¹⁰"Be still, and know that I am God!

I am exalted among the nations,

I am exalted in the earth."

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Selah

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ALLELUIA VERSE

Sing Alleluia to the Lord.

Sing Alleluia, Sing Alleluia.

Jesus has risen from the dead

Jesus has risen, Jesus has risen.

He's coming back to take us home.

He's coming back, He's coming back.

He's Lord of Lords and King of Kings.

He's Lord of Lords, He's King of Kings.

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GOSPEL

Matthew 11:12-19

¹²From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. ¹³For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John came; ¹⁴and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵Let anyone with ears listen!

¹⁶But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a

drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners! Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

A The grass withers and the flower fades, but the Word of God endures forever.

C Thanks be to God.

Sit

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY

Rise, Shine You People

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1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

P In baptism by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

PRESENTATION

Payton Ann Pieczonka
Senna Loyd Pieczonka

P Who presents Payton and Senna to receive the sacrament?

S We do.

P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your children baptized into Christ?

R We do.

P As you bring Payton and Senna to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, nurture them in faith and prayer, so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Payton and Senna grow in Christian faith and life?

R We do.

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Payton and Senna in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

S We do.

P People of God, do you promise to support Payton and Senna and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

C We do.

Stand

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus,

PROFESSION

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C 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 to judge the living and the dead.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the fire of rebirth. You poured out your Spirit on your people Israel. You breathe life into our dry bones. Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth. Pour out your Holy Spirit, and breathe new life into them who are here baptized. By your Spirit adopt us all as your

children, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Sit

BAPTISM

P Payton Ann Pieczonka & Senna Loyd Pieczonka, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

LAYING ON OF HANDS

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, them to eternal life.

Sustain Payton and Senna with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

P Payton and Senna, children of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

GIVING OF THE LIGHT

A Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS/WELCOME

P Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming Word to all the world.**

PEACE - FEATURING SPECIAL VBS VIDEO

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Renew and inspire the church in the freedom of the gospel, O God. Where the church is in error, reform it. Where the church speaks your truth, strengthen it. Where the church is divided, unify it. Ignite in us the working of the Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As the earth changes, as mountains shake and the waters roar, may we care for this planet as a holy habitation for all living things. Sustain all peoples and lands recovering from natural disasters of any kind. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Guide areas of the world divided or traumatized by conflict, especially in our own land. Free all from slavery and human trafficking, and protect all in harm's way. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Release those living in bondage to debts, chronic pain, or addiction. Grant healing touch to those who are ill. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In this family of faith we give thanks for courageous voices that have remained firm in their commitment to the one who frees us from sin and death. Centered in your grace, unify us in the hope of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Even in death, you free us and give us a place in your house. We give thanks for our ancestors who have shown us truth and freedom, especially Martin Luther and those who work for the renewal of the church. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The 503rd Anniversary of the Reformation

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you, all-holy God, our maker, our lover, our keeper,
our Covenant Lord, our Redeemer, our Strength, our Truth,

For the universe beyond our knowing, for seas and forests
and fields, **for the waters and the flowers in this place,**

For creatures seen and unseen, for animals both wild and
tame, **for our ancestors and godparents from around the globe,**

And for the places we humans call home, for cities and
churches and schools, **for seminaries and missions and fellowship halls.**

We praise you for your covenant people, for Moses and
Miriam and Aaron, **for Jeremiah and the psalmists,**

And for centuries of faithful Christians: for Mary and Magdalene, Peter and Paul; for Luther, Melanchthon, and Muhlenberg; for Katie Luther and Cranach, Bach and Nicolai, Nommensen and Kierkegaard, Bonhoeffer, Hammarskjöld, and Martin Luther King, Jr.; **and countless other servants of the Reformation.**

We praise you, O God, for Jesus Christ, who saves us from sin and from evil, **giving forgiveness, granting us grace, setting us free.**

Bless this meal and all those who share it, inspire your people for service, **continue the re-formation of your churches,**

We praise you, all-holy God, the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit, **mighty Fortress, victorious Champion, powerful Shield, today, tomorrow, and forever. Amen and Amen!**

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING



1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
 2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
 3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -
 4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is
 5 Through all the pass - ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
 dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
 ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us
 bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our
 ring - ing, man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim - ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
 tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
 life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their
 Sav - ior con - fess - ing, Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with
 prom - ise is bring - ing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
 bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
 midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
 us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.
 world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. A - men."

DISMISSAL

Be the Church of Christ. Proclaim the good news.
 Heal the sick. Share your bread with the hungry.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Camille Saint-Saens

Chorale from Organ Symphony 3

SHOT SCHEDULE

- **INTRODUCTIONS** (at altar)
 - Prayer of the Day - Peyton B
 - READING - Bailey B
 - PSALM - Tessa C
 - GOSPEL - PASTOR
- **ALLELUIA** (at altar)
- **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE to SENDING HYMN** (at table)
- **DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE** (at font)
- **PRELUDE to SONG OF PRAISE** (at font)
- **HYMN OF THE DAY to PEACE** (at font)