



Reformation Sunday



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Greeting

Song

"Teach Us Your Ways"

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Justice"

Chancel/MSHS Ensemble

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

Psalms 46... God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, ³ though its waters roar and foam, 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 moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. ⁶ The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts. ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. ⁸ Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. ¹⁰ "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth." ¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Romans 3:19-28... Now 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. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

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John 8:31-36... Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are

truly my disciples,³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”³³ They 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’?”³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.”³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever.³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

“Listen God is Calling”

ELW 513

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers

Sharing God’s Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

“On Bended Knee”

Words of Institution

“Remember Me”

Lord’s Prayer

Communion

Communion Song

“I Need You to Survive”

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

ELW 705

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are given by Rohn Collins & David Magnuson in celebration of their 13th wedding anniversary!
- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Saturday, November 7th from 8 to 10am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Every item donated is very much appreciated. This week our specific focus will be ramen noodles, mac & cheese, pasta, and canned beans.
- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are available for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **Knitting Group** - the Knitting Group has been busy knitting and crocheting soap sacks for the upcoming Thanksgiving pantry. Please help us fill these soap sacks with donations of bar soap. The display in the main entrance area shows the work that has been done! Thank you for considering this opportunity to partner with the Knitting Group.
- ⇒ **Panera Night!** Support the youth fund by eating dinner at Panera Bread on 149th and Maple October 25th anytime between 4:00 and 8:00 pm. You can order online using the code FUND4U or show the flyer at check out. Flyer can be [located here](#). Thank you for supporting our High School youth as they raise funds for the 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis!
- ⇒ **Jr High + Senior High Pumpkin Party** Holy Cross Jr and Sr High students are invited to a Pumpkin Party Sunday October 25th from 6 to 8pm. We will carve or paint pumpkins, have a Halloween movie on the big screen, enjoy snacks and a fun time together! Bring your own pumpkin—snacks and FUN provided!
- ⇒ **Young Adult Care Packages** Again this year, we will be assembling care packages for our Young Adult members of HC. From now until October 25th, you are invited to donate items for those packages! The high school youth will assemble them during youth group. Ideas for items to donate—snacks, hot cocoa, drink mix packets, laundry detergent (pods or sheets!), hand sanitizer, chapstick, deck of cards, Clorox or wet wipes. You can place donations at the display in the Main Entrance Area!
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, October 25

Newsletter Articles Due

9:30 am Reformation Sunday Worship
10:40 am Adult Forum
10:40 am Wonder Together
10:30 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bells

Monday, October 26

6:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, October 27

7:30 pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, October 28

12:30 pm Tai Chi
6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Youth Group/Radical Ringers.

Thursday, October 29

6:30 pm Carolan Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, October 30

1:00 pm Knitting in the Narthex
7:00 pm Belles N Beaus
7:15pm AA—Good Orderly Direction

Saturday, October 31

6:00 pm Trunk N Treat

Sunday, November 1

Daylight Savings Time Ends
9:30 am All Saints Worship
10:40 am Adult Forum/Wonder Together
10:30 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bells
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Mtg

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Mary Youngerman, Norm Firkins; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

Friends and Relatives: Dane Cole, brother of Walter Roberts; Kyle Piepmeier, friend of Alicia Glesne; Connie James, friend of Wendy Brenner; Josh & Nicole Irvin, family of Joel Irvin; Emalyn, granddaughter of Pat Butterfield; Kimberly Sobota, mother of Joel Irvin; Madelyn Abbott, daughter of Heather Abbott; Meg Trowbridge, friend of Nicole Szymczak; Bobbi Valandra, sister of Jason Valandra; Arthur Oberwetter, father of Julie Leahy; Gordon Blake, father of Alisa Krueger; Kim Jones, sister-in-law of Trisha Ryan; Scott Matheson, brother in law of Julie Noteman; Joshua Perilo, son of Sharon Perilo; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sonrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.