



Grace Lutheran 1883-2022

Reformation Sunday ~ October 30, 2022
Grace Lutheran Church - 8:30 AM Service
Welcomes You to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING FOR REFORMATION DAY

We give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit whose light brought new understanding of both the Living Word and the written Scripture.

We give thanks for the reminder of consistent grace and mercy from God through Jesus Christ.

We are grateful for the inspiration that lead to the printing press, enabling the spread of information and the sharing of the gospel in many languages.

We thank God for the technologies that can be used for good for the support of communities and individuals.

Generous God, we thank you for open hearts that were prepared to hear and receive the good news of freedom in Christ.

We also thank you for our continued freedom in the Son to share that same news of salvation through your grace and Christ's faithfulness.

We remember the lives that were lost in the struggle to reform the church on earth – those who were martyred, those who died fighting, those who perished in hiding, and who were killed on all sides.

We remember also the lives that have been lost throughout history in the name of religion and for those who die today for daring to believe.

We thank you for the instruction that comes through our church heritage – the catechisms, the understanding of the saints, the gift of community, and a deeper appreciation of God's gift of Holy Communion and Holy Baptism.

We thank you for the presence of Jesus Christ – in us, with us, and for us – and for the support of the Holy Spirit, ever-reforming us.

God of stability and change, we thank you that true reformation is always your work and always being done in us out of your love for your whole creation. We are ever reformed by the work of your love.

We are ever reformed by the work of God's love.

GATHERING HYMN:***“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”****ELW 504*

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
 a sword and shield victorious;
 he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
 and wins salvation glorious.
 The old satanic foe
 has sworn to work us woe!
 With craft and dreadful might
 he arms himself to fight.
 On earth he has no equal.

3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
 all threat'ning to devour us,
 we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
 they cannot overpower us.
 Let this world's tyrant rage;
 in battle we'll engage!
 His might is doomed to fail;
 God's judgment must prevail!
 One little word subdues him.

2 No strength of ours can match his
 might!
 We would be lost, rejected.
 But now a champion comes to fight,
 whom God himself elected.
 You ask who this may be?
 The Lord of hosts is he!
 Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
 God's only Son, adored.
 He holds the field victorious.

4 God's Word forever shall abide,
 no thanks to foes, who fear it;
 for God himself fights by our side
 with weapons of the Spirit.
 Were they to take our house,
 goods, honor, child, or spouse,
 though life be wrenched away,
 they cannot win the day.
 The kingdom's ours forever!

REETING

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.

KYRIE*ELW p 147*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
 and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
 let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

FESTIVAL HYMN***“This is the feast”****ELW p 149*

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
 whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Let us pray... **Reforming God, we pray for ourselves and your church throughout the world. Fill us with a spirit of openness to your Spirit, to hear and receive your promises and to keep our covenant with you. Where we are corrupt, purify us. Where we are in error, direct us. Where we are in need, provide for us. Where we are divided, reunite us. And where we are close-minded, reform us and make us new. We pray for forgiveness. Reform our hearts... in Jesus' name. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Pew Bible p 642

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.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 46

¹God 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;**

³though 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.**

⁵God 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.**

⁷The 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;**

⁹behold 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.”**

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

Special Music

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

Pew Bible p 915

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.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

“Alleluia”

ELW p 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

Pew Bible p 871

The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the eighth chapter.

Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

SERMON SONG: "O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate"

ELW 722

1 O Christ, your heart, compassionate,
bore ev'ry human pain.

Its beating was the pulse of God;
its breadth, God's vast domain.

The heart of God, the heart of Christ
combined in perfect rhyme
to write God's love in human deeds,
eternity in time.

3 O Christ, create new hearts in us
that beat in time with yours,

that, joined by faith with your great heart,
become love's open doors.

We are your body, risen Christ;
our hearts, our hands we yield
that through our life and ministry
your love may be revealed.

2 As once you welcomed those cast
down

and healed the sick, the blind,
so may all bruised and broken lives
through us your help still find.

Lord, join our hearts with those who weep
that none may weep alone,
and help us bear another's pain
as though it were our own.

4 O Love that made the distant stars,
yet marks the sparrow's fall,

whose arms stretched wide upon a cross
embrace and bear us all:

come, make your church a servant
church

that walks your servant ways,
whose deeds of love rise up to you,
a sacrifice of praise

APOSTLE'S CREED:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you. (*We greet you all in peace.*)

OFFERING FOR THE MISSION AND MINISTRY of Grace Lutheran Church
SONG of OFFERING: “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” ELW 182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING: (*inspired by Jeremiah 31:31-34*)

Let us pray... Generous God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have shown us what it means to love. And you call us to follow Your example— to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Continue to write your law of love on our hearts and multiply these gifts. Give us an unwavering passion for justice, and a tenacious faith that will not rest until the hungry are fed, the oppressed find relief, and the outsider finds a welcome. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Confident in the gracious and ever-widening mercy of God, let us pray for the world, the body of Christ, and all who yearn for wholeness of life.

PRAYER SONG: “Hear Our Prayer” ELW 178

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION: REFORMATION DAY

On this Reformation Sunday, Dear Lord, we thank you for those persons you have poured your spirit into... that then set about reforming your church. We thank you that you are still at work in the life of the church reforming us reshaping us, and remaking us into your image.

Hear us oh God, **Your mercy is great.**

One of the ways we reflect your image, Lord, is how we support one another with love, care and prayer. We pray for those who are in the hospitals today.

We pray for those at home with illnesses, and recovering from treatments and/or surgeries. We pray for those in nursing homes and those who are home bound. We pray for their families during these times. We pray for those who are facing death. We pray for those who are grieving. We pray for their Doctors, nurses, health care workers and care takers. We pray especially for Rhys, Roy, Shannon, Joyce, Dennis, Jody, Jerry, Dick, Judy, Sharlee, Sylvia, Judy, Janelle, Lavern, Elvira, Ronald, Cleone, Rick, Carolyn, Roger, Tracy, Caden, Todd, and Robert, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. Lord may we reflect your image in our love, care and prayer that we put to action for these your children.

Hear us oh God, **Your mercy is great.**

We reflect your image in how we love, care and pray for the world. We pray for those around the world who as Christians face imprisonment and martyrdom.

We pray for those who countries torn by war and oppression, those living in poverty, those who live in starvation, or any who are being used in slave labor, child labor and sex labor.

We pray for those who have been affected by disasters and those living in area of disaster who struggle to rebuild their lives or face outbreak of diseases. Lord, may we put into action our love, care and prayers for the world.

Hear us oh God, **Your mercy is great.**

Lord, we pray for your church that we be a beacon of hope, grace, love and light in this world. May our open doors reflect your open arms to all. May our arms and hands reaching out to those in need reflect your love for all. May our forgiveness of one another reflect your forgiveness for all. May your Spirit of reform, fill us with a desire to change our hearts to love, care, and pray for all others. In Jesus name we pray.

Amen.

PRAYER SONG:

“Hear Our Prayer”

ELW 178

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p 152

The Lord 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

ELW p 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow’r and might:

Heav’n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to Come and be strengthened.

THE COMMUNION

ALL WHO BELIEVE IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER.

COMMUNION SONGS

"Lamb of God"

ELW p 154

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

"Come to the Table"

ELW 481

Come to the table of mercy, prepared with the wine and the bread.
All who are hungry and thirsty, come, and your souls will be fed.
Come at the Lord's invitation; receive from his nail-scarred hand.
Eat of the bread of salvation; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

"What Feast of Love"

ELW 487

1 What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?

What food of everlasting life,
what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
How sweet the manna given!

2 What light of truth is offered here,
what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life,
what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king,

the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given!

3 What wine of love is offered here,
what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life,
what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
The Son of God is given!

POST COMMUNION BLESSING: And now may this body and blood of our Savior Jesus, strengthen and preserve you unto life eternal. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us Pray... Let us Pray... **Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

(Those Befriends who will be bearing the gifts of God's Word and Sacramental meal will come forward for a sending prayer.)

SENDING OF ASSEMBLY COMMUNION MINISTER

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

BENEDICTION: *(based on Jeremiah 31: 33-34)*

God will write a new covenant on our hearts
God will be our God and we will be God's people
No longer shall we teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord."
For we shall all know God. The blessing of God the Source of Life, the Word of Truth, and the Spirit of Love, be with you and be your refuge and strength, now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING SONG:

1 O Word of God incarnate,

"O Word of God Incarnate"

O Wisdom from on high,

ELW 514

O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
 O Light of our dark sky:
 we praise you for the radiance
 that from the hallowed page,
 a lantern to our footsteps,
 shines on from age to age.

2 The church from you, dear Master,
 received the gift divine;
 and still that light is lifted
 o'er all the earth to shine.
 It is the chart and compass

that, all life's voyage through,
 mid mists and rocks and quicksands
 still guides, O Christ, to you.

3 Oh, make your church, dear Savior,
 a lamp of burnished gold
 to bear before the nations
 your true light, as of old;
 oh, teach your wand'ring pilgrims
 by this their path to trace,
 till, clouds and darkness ended,
 they see you face to face.

DISMISSAL: Go in peace... Reformed in Christ. **Thanks be to God. We Will!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements for October 23rd

Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Dennis Carlson, Jody Crane, Jerry Dipprey, Dick Everson, Judy Everson, Sharlee Kjellsen. Sylvia Larson, Judy Lien, Janelle Marx, Lavern McPeek, Elvira Moen, Ronald Newell, Cleone Pekelder, Rick Raml, Carolyn Ronke, Roger Rust, Tracy Schaefer, Caden Thompson, Todd Wilson, and Robert Wittrock, those in Care Centers, Assisted Living, or who are Homebound. Pray for members of the Armed Forces and their families, our Law Enforcement personal, Fire Fighters, EMT and all First Responders.

On the CALENDAR - For the week of October 30th to November 6th

Today	REFORMATION SUNDAY 8:30 am Traditional Worship service w/ Holy Communion 9:30 am – Coffee Fellowship 9:45 Sunday school 11 am Contemporary Worship service w/ Holy Communion
Monday	HALLOWEEN 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5:30 pm Banquet
Tuesday	5:30 pm – Memorial Committee meeting 6:30 pm – Dance Class begins
Wednesday	Service at Avantara 6 pm Wednesday school

6 pm – Prophets of the Bible: Bible Study
 6 pm Confirmation Class in Basement
 7 pm Family Worship
 7:30 pm Youth Group meets in the Youth Room
 Thursday Set-up for Fall Craft Vendor Fair
 2 pm – Rostered Pastors Zoom meeting
 Friday Set-up for Fall Craft Vendor Fair
 Saturday 9 am to 3 pm – Fall Craft Vendor Fair
 Sunday **Daylight Savings Time END – Fall Back**
 ALL SAINTS DAY w/First Communion
 8:30 am Traditional Worship w/Communion
 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship
 9:45 Sunday school
 11 am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion
 1 pm Service at Edgewood

Upcoming Events:

November 13th – Foundation Day at Worship
 November 20th – 9:45 am – Usher Training for all adults
 November 20th – 6 pm Thanksgiving Service
 November 27th Hanging of the Greens—Advent
 December 21st – Blue Christmas Service – at 6 pm
 December 24th – Christmas Eve Service – at 4 and 6 pm
 December 25th – Christmas Day Service – at 10 am.

“Got it at Grace” Saturday November 5th

Over 14 crafters are already signed up with several vendors ready to sell their wares at the Fall Craft and Vendor Fair. Besides a day for shopping, there will be concessions during the day so stop by and enjoy a great lunch with proceeds going to Grace. Mark your calendars to stop between 9 am and 3 pm, Saturday November 5th.

Craft Class – November 10th

A choice of one of three decorative door hangers will be available to make at the November 10th Craft Class. The 10-inch circular piece can also be used with a plate stand rather than as a hanger. The cost of the craft class is \$10. Class starts at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall. Craft class sign up for this craft is due by Monday, November 7th. The craft class will be taught by Tanya Andrews and her daughters. To sign up, call the office at 605-886-5737.

BeFriender Sending of Assembly Communion Minsters Today

Today we will send those trained of the Befriender program who will be bearing the gifts of God’s Word and Sacramental meal with a special prayer during the service.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has strong historical, theological, and confessional commitments that assert that an ordained minister of Word and Sacrament presides in the service of Holy Communion and proclaims the Great Thanksgiving. These lay Communion Ministers are being sent as an extension of our assembly as a means of participating in the worship for those who cannot gathered here.

Bible Study on the Prophets of the Bible Continues on Wednesday evenings

A study and discussion of God's prophets in the Bible and how these stories and scriptures relate to our world today is being held on Wednesday evening from 6 to 7 pm. Kayla Mohling leads the discussion on what prophet do, why God needs prophets, and the importance of prophets in the Bible. The study is held while children are in Wednesday school, making providing an opportunity for parent to participate. To register and receive an email outline prior to the study, email Kayla at: kayla.i.mohling@gmail.com. Bring your own Bibles.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:

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Pastoral Calls: You can reach Pastor Cheryl at 605-237-1501(cell or text) or by E-mail: cherylgracelc@midconetwork.com

Tables for Sale

The Memorial Committee has purchased new lighter weight round tables and 8 ft long rectangle tables and will now sell several of the older tables. Cost of each table is \$20. Stop at the office if you are interested in purchasing one.

A RADIO BROADCAST of the Sunday morning worship service can be heard at 10:05 a.m. each Sunday on KWAT (95 AM). **The RADIO BROADCAST is given** by Leland Bachman former avid listener and brother of Karyl Somers. Your gifts are greatly appreciated for the Mission and Ministry of Grace Lutheran. If you would like to help with these special weekly needs, please call the office or send your donation to:

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