
Traditional Worship Guide

Reformation Sunday

October 29, 2023

ANTHEM (10:30) “*God is Our Refuge and Strength*” Chancel Choir

WELCOME

HYMN: “*A Mighty Fortress*” # **504**

GREETING FOR REFORMATION SUNDAY

P: Blessed are you, our Lord and our God.
In Jesus Christ, you bring us the truth.

C: **Let your truth set us free—to be your church,
reformed and always reforming.**

P: By grace we have been saved through faith;

C: **and this is not our own doing.
It is the gift of God!**

P: We see your grace, given for us and for all people:
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.**

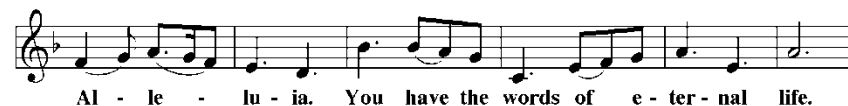
PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

BIBLE READING [8:15 only] *Jeremiah 31: 31-34* Bible, pg. 1227

BIBLE READING *Romans 3: 19-28* Bible, pg. 1750

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL *John 8: 31-36* Bible, pg. 1663

Say before the reading: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Say after the reading: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON *After the sermon at the 10:30 service, the preacher goes to the Contemporary Service in the Fellowship Hall.*

HYMN: “*Son of God, Eternal Savior*” # **655**

- 1 Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory,
for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity,
heal our wrong, and help our need.
- 2 As you, Lord, have lived for others,
so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted;
freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver,
yours the wealth of land and sea;
we but stewards of your bounty
held in solemn trust will be.
- 3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of peace;
hush the storm of strife and passion, bid its cruel discords cease.
By your patient years of toiling, by your silent hours of pain,

quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
stem our selfish greed of gain.

- 4 Son of God, eternal Savior, source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race:
by your praying, by your willing that your people should be one,
grant, oh, grant our hope's fruition: here on earth your will be done.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: P: ...Lord in Your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the black registration pads located near center aisle.

HYMN: "Just as I Am" (vs 1 & 2,) # **592**

- 1 Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 2 Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your
name and join their unending hymn:

continue
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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution and The Lord's Prayer

Please come forward by the center aisle, receive communion, and return by the side aisle. During communion distribution, all may sing:

Hymn: "Lamb of God" # **195**

Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" # **654**

Hymn: "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" # **461**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(pastor)*

BENEDICTION

HYMN: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" # **645**
[Tune 275]

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God!**

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

- 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.

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.

3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpow'r 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.

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!

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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 your peace.

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Lamb of God

Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

The Church's One Foundation

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.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder
this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.
- 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 blessed 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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All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

- 1 All who hunger, gather gladly;
holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering.

Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

- 2 All who hunger, never strangers;
seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.
- 3 All who hunger, sing together;
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

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Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

- 1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ, our head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious,

binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever
and our confidence alone.

2 To this temple, where we call you,
come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;
come, with all your lovingkindness,
hear your people as they pray;
and your fullest benediction
shed within these walls today.

3 Here bestow on all your servants
what they seek from you to gain;
here to have and hold forever
means of grace that you ordain;
and hereafter in your glory
with your blessed ones to reign.

4 Praise and honor to the Father,
praise and honor to the Son,
praise and honor to the Spirit,
ever three and ever one:
one in might and one in glory
while unending ages run!

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