

Reformation Sunday After Pentecost

October 25th 5:00pm October 26th 2025 8:00am & 9:30am



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Preparation For Worship: “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!” *Psalm 46:10*

Opening Song

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God a bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe
His craft and power are great and armed with cruel hate
On earth is not His equal

Did we in our own strength confide our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side the man of God’s own choosing
Dost ask who that may be Christ Jesus it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name from age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And though this world with devils filled should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim we tremble not for him
His rage we can endure for lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow’rs no thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go this mortal life also
The body they may kill God’s truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

Ministry Spotlight *Share*

Invocation

Pastor: We gather today in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: We live in the season of Pentecost, the time between Jesus’ ascension and His return as King of kings. *Genesis 3*

People: For God so loved us that He has made a way for us that we may not perish, but have eternal life.

Pastor: Jesus tells us, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though they die, yet shall they live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."
John 11

People: God is good!

Pastor: All the time!

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People: Therefore, since we are justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have received access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
Romans 5

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us come to Him then with an honest heart to worship Him in spirit and truth. Sin entered into the world with the doubt of God. Doubting God, and choosing to not trust God, pain, sorrow, and death came. Sin is choosing a way other than God who is our Way, Truth, and Life. God calls us to choose life. Acknowledging the promise and call of God to confess, repent, and receive forgiveness, we join in prayer:

People: You know me, Lord. There is nothing hidden from You. If I stood before You in all Your holiness on Judgment Day, and every secret sin I have committed and every idle word I have spoken came out as evidence I would be utterly guilty before You. So, I turn to You, trusting in Your word, confessing my sin, asking for Your forgiveness and grace. Thank You that You take away the sin of the world, and that includes mine. You have suffered me, loved me, and called me. I know, confess, and forsake my sin, and yield myself to You, Jesus, my Lord and Savior.

(Reflection for confession)

Pastor: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called servant of Jesus our Christ, and by His authority, I announce God's grace to you, and the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and gives His Holy Spirit. Those who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this O Lord, unto us all.

People: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Daily Text

Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it.

Proverbs 3:27

If a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here in a good place, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit by my footstool," have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

James 2:2-4

Let us pray:

People: Lord God, I admit that I have failed to see others as You do – persons worthy of Your love, kindness, and affirmation. I ask You to grant me Your heart. I want my attitude and actions to reach the unlovable and hurting in my little world. Open my calloused eyes to do good to anyone marginalized and forgotten. Amen.

Scripture Lessons *Read*

First Lesson

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

⁷ "Though our iniquities testify against us, act, O Lord, for your name's sake; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you. ⁸ O you hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler who turns aside to tarry for a night? ⁹ Why should you be like a man confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot save? Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not leave us." ¹⁰ Thus says the Lord concerning this people:

"They have loved to wander thus;
they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the Lord does not accept them;
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins."

¹⁹ Have you utterly rejected Judah? Does your soul loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, but no good came; for a time of healing, but behold, terror. ²⁰ We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against you. ²¹ Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²² Are there any among the false gods of the nations that can bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Are you not he, O Lord our God? We set our hope on you, for you do all these things.

The Psalm

Psalm 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, ³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah* 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 her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. ⁶ The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. ⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah* ⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has brought desolations 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 chariots with fire.
¹⁰ “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!” ¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

Second Lesson

Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

Reader: Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel. God has given us Good News.

People: Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. You have the words of eternal life.

Psalm 119:105, John 6:68

Gospel Lesson

John 8:31-36

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He

rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Song

Lord I Need You

Lord I come, I confess
Bowling here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the One that guides my heart

Lord I need You, oh, I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense, my Righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found, is where You are
And where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Lord I need You, oh, I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense, my Righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Lord I need You, oh, I need You
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My one defense, my Righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

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Ev'ry hour I need You

**My one defense, my Righteousness
Oh God, how I need You**

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Sermon/Watchword

Talk --- New, Knew, Next

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All Who Exalt Themselves Will Be Humbled,
But All Who Humble Themselves Will Be Exalted

Prayers of the Church

Pray

The congregation is invited to join in prayers that include whole Church, the nation, those in need, the parish, additional petitions and special concerns.

Pastor: Let's join together to pray with Jesus for all that He loves right here, and to the ends of the earth. Father, our Father in heaven, You are the present active, Creator, and Redeemer of our heart, soul, mind and body.

People: **Thank You Lord, that in You we are made a part of Your great salvation of all that You have created. You have made us Your redeemed children. We join today with all those throughout the world who follow You, and pray that Your kingdom would come, and Your will would be done among us as it is in heaven.**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude with these words...

Pastor: You are our God, and we are Your people... Thank You that You hear our prayers, and work in all things for the good of those who love You. To You be all glory, honor, and praise.

People: **Amen.**

Preface, Proper Preface and Sanctus

Pastor: The Lord be with You.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

People_(sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.**

Heaven 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. Hosanna in the highest.

Words Of Institution

Pastor: 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 in 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 in remembrance of Me."

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remembering Your love and Your life we pray as You taught us to pray:

People: **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**

Distribution Of Holy Communion

All who sincerely believe in the real presence of Christ in the Holy Communion – that the cup of blessing is the Communion of the blood of Christ and the bread is the Communion of the body of Christ, and sincerely believing that in receiving Him we have the forgiveness of our sins, salvation, and strength for the Christian life, come – partake of the Lord's Supper.

Communion Song

Be Still

**Be still and know
That the Lord is in control
Be still my soul
Stand and watch as giants fall**

**I won't be afraid
You are here
You silence all my fear
I won't be afraid
You don't let go
Be still my heart and know
I won't be afraid**

**Be still and trust
What the Lord has said is done
Find rest don't strive
Watch as faith and grace align**

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**I won't be afraid
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You silence all my fear**

I won't be afraid
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Surely love and mercy
Your peace and kindness
Will follow me will follow me

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Your peace and kindness
Will follow me will follow me

Surely love and mercy
Your peace and kindness
Will follow me will follow me

Your love surrounds me
Your love surrounds me here
Your love surrounds me
Your love surrounds me here

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Nunc Dimittis

Pastor: Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word;
For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the
face of all people;
A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Benediction

Pastor: Now, may the Lord bless you and keep you.
May He make His face shine on you, and be gracious unto you.
May the Lord look upon you with favor, and give you His peace.
Shalom Shalom.

People: Amen.

Blessing: Child of God, our help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: Our worship continues,

People: our service begins!

Closing Song

This Is Amazing Grace

**Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings**

**Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings**

**This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me**

instrumental

**Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory**

**Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings**

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That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me**

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy worthy worthy**

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All that You've done for me

SHARING OF PEACE AS WE GO IN GOD'S PEACE

Welcome To Worship At Zion. We are pleased to have you join us. *If you are a visitor* please check the shelf outside the office for our newsletter and brochure.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my dad, Vernon (Bucky) Wiedenhaft from Lori Wiedenhaft.

The October Mission of the Month is Voice of the Martyrs. See the October newsletter on the shelf outside the church office for more information on this local ministry. Use the Mission Envelopes to support this ministry.

Worship at Zion

Saturday	5:00pm	Chapel Service (<u><i>the 2nd and last Saturday of each month</i></u>)
Sunday	8:00am	Worship
	9:30am	G.I.F.T. Worship
	11:30am	Swahili-English Worship

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