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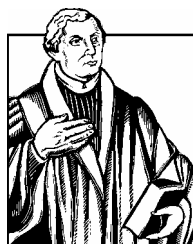
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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Trinity 24/Reformation

Date: November 6, 2005

Welcome today as we celebrate the Lutheran Reformation. On July 2, 1505, 500 years ago, Martin Luther was almost struck by lightning during a storm. He vowed to become a monk, thinking it would put him on better grounds with God. But as he eventually realized, God is not satisfied with human merit in order to please Him enough for obtaining salvation. Salvation is rather a free gift of God's grace in Christ! Christ obtained it through His substitutionary death on the cross. This key teaching has sustained us throughout the years, but as we will learn, we are all in need of a continual Reformation lest we lose the precious truth that has been passed down to us. May the Lord bless our worship!



† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Hymn: *WS 774: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

1. A mighty Fortress is our God, A trusty Shield and Weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That has us now o'ertaken.
The old evil Foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On Earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
You ask, "Who is this?" Jesus Christ it is.
The almighty Lord. And there's no other God;
He holds the field forever.
3. Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us.
We tremble not, we fear no ill, They shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done!
One little word can fell him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.
And do what they will – Hate, steal, hurt, or kill –
Though all may be gone, Our victory is won;
The Kingdom's our forever!

Liturgy: *WS, p. 12 ff.*

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy:

P: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest:

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,
Lord God, al - mighty Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray ... Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

Gospel Reading: *John 8:31-36*

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Confession of Faith: *The Apostolic Creed*

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: *TLH 261: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word*

1. Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy Word;
Curb those who fain by craft and sword
Would wrest the Kingdom from Thy Son
And set at naught all He hath done.
2. Lord Jesus Christ, Thy power make known,
For Thou art Lord of lords alone;
Defend Thy Christendom that we
May evermore sing praise to Thee.



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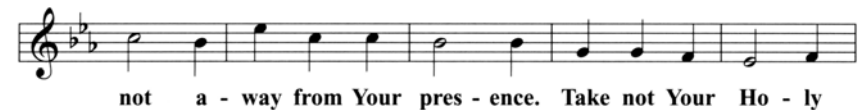
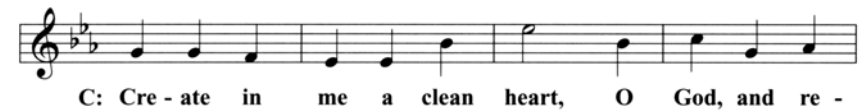
3. O Comforter of priceless worth.
Send peace and unity on earth.
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

Sermon: *1 Kings 23:1-6*

(1) Now the king sent them to gather all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem to him. (2) The king went up to the house of the LORD with all the men of Judah, and with him all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the priests and the prophets and all the people, both small and great. And he read in their hearing all the words of the Book of the Covenant which had been found in the house of the LORD. (3) Then the king stood by a pillar and made a covenant before the LORD, to follow the LORD and to keep His commandments and His testimonies and His statutes, with all *his* heart and all *his* soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people took a stand for the covenant. (4) And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, the priests of the second order, and the doorkeepers, to bring out of the temple of the LORD all the articles that were made for Baal, for Asherah, and for all the host of heaven; and he burned them outside Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried their ashes to Bethel. (5) Then he removed the idolatrous priests whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense on the high places in the cities of Judah and in the places all around Jerusalem, and those who burned incense to Baal, to the sun, to the moon, to the constellations, and to all the host of heaven. (6) And he brought out the wooden image from the house of the LORD, to the Brook Kidron outside Jerusalem, burned it at the Brook Kidron and ground *it* to ashes, and threw its ashes on the graves of the common people. (NKJV™)

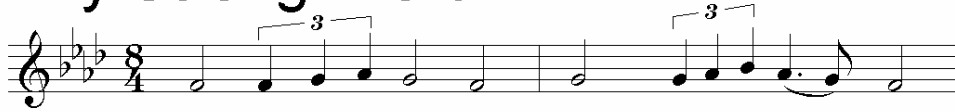
Reformation, Not Stagnation Nor Obliteration

Create in Me:



4.

Thy Strong Word



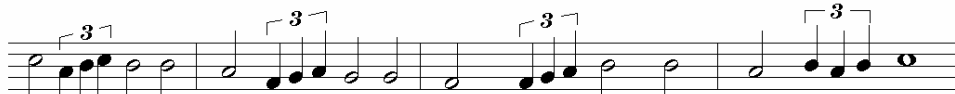
1. Thy strong word did cleave the dark-ness;
 2. Lo, on those who dwelt in dark-ness,
 3. Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ-teous;
 4. From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing
 5. Give us lips to sing Thy glo - ry,
 6. God the Fa - ther, light - Cre - a - tor,



At Thy speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 Dark as night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Bright with Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 Break - eth forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -
 Tongues Thy mer - cy to pro - claim, Throats to shout the
 To Thee laud and ho - nor be. To Thee, Light of



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - giv - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.
 hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy ho - ly name.
 Light be - got - ten, Praise be sung e - ter - nal - ly.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! May the light which Thou dost send
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, light - re - veal - er, Glo - ry, glo - ry be to Thee.

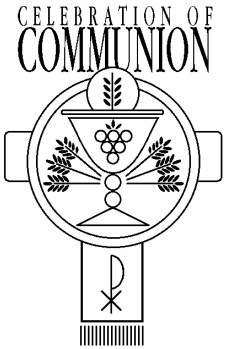


Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 Fill our songs with al - le - lu - ias, Al - le - lu - ias with - out end!
 Mor - tals, an - gels, now and e - ver Praise the ho - ly Tri - ni - ty!

Offering, Prayers, and Lord's Prayer:

The Service of the Sacrament:

P: The Lord be with you.
 C: **[Spoken] And also with you.**
 P: Lift up your hearts.
 C: **[Spoken] We lift them up to the Lord.**
 P: It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



Holy, Holy, Holy:



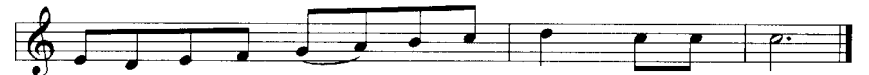
C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba - oth, a - dored; Heav'n and



earth with full ac - claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho -



san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly



blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Words of Institution:

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



The peace of the Lord be with you always!

Lamb of God:

O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose
blood, once shed, true life re - stored, Im -
part Your joy, our faith in - crease. Sus -
tain with Your mer - cy and grant us Your peace.

Communion Distribution Hymns: 307; 258; 264

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant:

C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: A
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For
light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - tv.

Post-Communion Prayer:

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

Thanksgiving:

C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your
bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: [♪] Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn: TLH 283: God's Word is Our Great Heritage

God's Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way,
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its teachings pure.
Throughout all generations.



Silent Prayer:

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

- ◆ **Hospitality:** As always everyone is invited to the weekly hospitality in the fellowship hall. Please bear with the clutter as efforts are being made to upgrade the kitchen and fellowship hall.
- ◆ **CLC News:** Seminary Graduate Eric Libby has received the call to Our Savior's in Jamestown, ND. † Pastor Bruce Naumann and Larry Hansen, both from the CLC Board of Missions, are touring some of our missions in Africa. You may monitor their trip by going to www.clclutheran.org and click on "October 2005 Mission Trip" in the upper right hand corner of the screen. † St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church of Dallas, TX, is celebrating its 25th anniversary of its founding on November 13, 2005. The service will begin at 10:00 am with one of its founding pastors speaking, Gene Rutz. Afterwards, at 11:30 -1:00, there will be an open house to which all are invited.
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** Seventh Commandment

October Voters Meeting Highlights

The meeting was opened with prayer at 11:40. The Voters meeting minutes from April and July were read and accepted. Highlights of the Council meetings from the past quarter were read. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Pastors report: Membership changes includes the addition of the James and Jenny Squires family from Berea and the removal of Phil Flesner. VBS was successful with 33 children in attendance. The changes in the Fellowship Hall have been helpful for teaching and fellowshiping. The Men's retreat was conducive to fellowship and growing in God's Word. Pastor will have upcoming ear surgeries. Pastoral visits are progressing. There have been 1,300 hits from 450 people (ave. of 5/day) on our web site.

Elders: Motion was accepted to terminate the membership of Eric Radichel. A motion was accepted to revise the evening services for 2005 from 7:30 to 7:00 pm. This would affect the Thanksgiving Eve and the midweek Advent services.

Education: The playground equipment is installed. School started with 11 students. The volunteer picnic went well. CEA meeting on Oct. 14. Nov. 11 is tentatively planned for a school lock-in for the upper grades. Teachers' Conference is Oct. 19-21 in Okabena, MN. Lights and ballasts have yet to be addressed. Bulletin boards need to be moved.

Trustees: Thanks to all that helped with all of the things that have been accomplished. Workday on Oct. 29, working on putting together a master list.

Building Committee: The project is progressing. Carpet is not planned for the fellowship hall.

Delegate Conference Report: Dave Rust reported on June 12th Conf. in Sleepy Eye, and Benno Sydow reported on Sept. 18th Conf. in Eagle lake.

Coordinating Council Report: Phil Radichel reported on the serious budgetary challenges that the CLC is confronted with, a potential 100,000 deficit in the coming months. A motion was made and accepted to create a committee to write a letter to the CLC in order to give guidance to the CLC budgeting process.

WHY I AM A LUTHERAN

- "Luther himself has no desire to be Lutheran except insofar as he teaches the Holy Scriptures in purity" (2679).
- "... Nothing is to be done, taught, or believed except what is commanded by a very definite Word of God" (2681).
- "'We conclude that a man is justified by faith, without the deeds of the Law' (Romans 3:28). But we teach that this faith is a gift of God, created in our heart by the Holy Spirit, not fashioned or formed by our own acts ...'" (2684).
- "We teach nothing new" (2689).
- "The perfectly pure, the only, and the certain Word of God must be the foundation of our faith" (2693)



(Quotes from "What Luther Says," Vol. II under "Lutheran Church")

- "Faith is an unceasing and constant looking which turns the eyes upon nothing but Christ, the Victor over sin and death and the Giver of righteousness, salvation and life eternal" (1374).
- "But if faith is real, it is a sure confidence of the heart and a firm assent, by which Christ is apprehended in such a way that He is the object of faith" (1386).
- "Not for the sake of our faith but for Christ's sake faith and salvation are given to us" (1456)
- "Also they teach that men cannot be justified before God by their own strength, merits, or works, but are freely justified for Christ's sake, through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor, and that their sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who, by His death, has made satisfaction for our sins. This faith God imputes for righteousness in His sight. Romans 3 and 4

(WLS Vol. 1 under "Faith")

(Augsburg Confession, Article IV)

I am a Lutheran because by the Spirit of God I am convinced of the Reformation principle:

SCRIPTURE ALONE, GRACE ALONE, FAITH ALONE

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: Janelle Hein Elder: Mike Dick
Ushers: Roger Ochsner; Don Dahlin; Bill Rust; Joel Stifter;
 Bob Maki; Dave Rust
Counting Team 1: Dan Degnan; Larry Nelson; Rick Nelson;
 Phil Radichel; Ryan Libby
Hospitality Team 6: Pat & Dawn Paplow; Mike & Pat Dick;
 Frank & Ann Radichel
Church Cleaners: Sydow School: Torkelson

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: Paul Lentz; Bill Ryan; Brad Kitzman; John Auel;
 Rick Nelson; Elijah Wales; Keith Radichel
Counting Team 2: Gary Gunther; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever;
 Clint Welker; Mark Wales
Hospitality Team 7: Richard & Shauna Rhinesmith; Brian &
 Maureen Eichstadt; Brandt Wendland
Church Cleaners: Sydow School: Torkelson

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
 10:00 am – Reformation Worship Service w/ Lord's Supper
 11:00 am – Hospitality
 11:15 am – Youth Bible Forum

Mon., Nov. 7: MN Pastoral Study Club @ Mankato, MN
Wed., Nov. 9: 2:30 pm – Chiquettes (Little One's Story Hour, Theme: Veterans)
 4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Children

Sun., Nov. 13: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship Service
 11:15 am – Youth Bible Forum; Board Meetings
 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Wed., Nov. 23: 7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Last Week's Stats:		Oct. 30, 2005	B.Cl.: 33	S.S.: 25	Worship: 134
Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,343.55	CLC:	967.00	
Weekly Need:	Grace:	2,933.00	CLC:	846.00	
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-589.45	CLC:	+121.00	
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	118,281.10	CLC:	36,618.00	
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	129,052.00	CLC:	37,224.00	
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-10,770.90	CLC:	-606.00	
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	7.00	Tuition:	51.00	
GLC Other:	31.00	MDF:	30.00	Kinship:	80.00
ILC Improve...:	3.00	ILC Bldg.	5.00	CEF:	26.00

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