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**The Doctrines of the Reformation are
Still and Will Always Remain Relevant**

Two Kingdoms

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 660: "I'm But a Stranger Here"

Invocation

Pastor: We begin our service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. (Spoken)

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

People: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

People: You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Pastor: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with My eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

People: But steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.
(Psalm 32)

Pastor: As a called servant of God I announce His grace unto you, and by the command of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I forgive all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore the Psalmist declares: "Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you righteous; and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!"

All: Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations. Amen. (Psalm 100)

Response

WS 792: "Let All Things Now Living"

All: ♪ *Let all things now living a song of Thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us; His light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.* ♪

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you. (Spoken)*

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: ...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever.

People: *Amen. (Spoken)*

Choir

"This Is My Word"

1st Scripture Reading

Psalms 1

2nd Scripture Reading

Hebrews 13:12-17

Pastor: Alleluia, Alleluia! *"Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path."* (Psalms 119:105) Alleluia!

People: ♪ *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* ♪

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Second Hymn

WS 764: "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Sermon

John 17:14-18 – Two Kingdoms

The Offertory

(TLH 50:2: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing")

**All: ♪ Thanks we give and adoration
For the Gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your Salvation
In our hearts and lives abound;
Ever faithful, ever faithful
To the Truth may we be found! ♪**

Third Hymn

TLH 430 st. 1-4: "What Is the World to Me"

The Offering and Hymn

After offering, rise to sing WS 742:1: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

**All: ♪ Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King. ♪**

Prayer & 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.

Sunday School Children

"Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain"

The Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.

All: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen. ♪

Final Hymn & Silent Prayer

TLH 430 st. 5-6: "What Is the World to Me"

✚ *THE ANNOUNCEMENTS* ✚

- ◆ **500th Anniversary Series:** Today we conclude our series as we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation and the important doctrinal truths it has and continues to faithfully proclaim. We thank Pastor David Baker for sharing his message about the Two Kingdoms today. Pastor Hein is preaching in Morris today.
- ◆ **Joint Worship:** Minnesota area CLC churches are invited to the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation Festival which will be held TODAY, 4 pm, at Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN. The theme will be “Celebrating God’s Grace.” A fellowship meal will be served following the service. Guests planning on attending the meal afterwards are being asked to bring a dessert of any kind to share. Those who wish to participate in the joint choir may get the music from our choir director. The children are invited to sing in the children’s choir which rehearses at 3:30 pm and will be singing “Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain,” something the Sunday School children are singing today at Grace. Let’s take the time to join together with our fellow CLC brothers and sisters in Christ to support and encourage one another with God’s grace in Christ Jesus and with our Biblical heritage.
- ◆ **Time Change Reminder:** Turn clocks back one hour next Saturday.
- ◆ **Mission Festival/Blood Drive:** This year’s Mission Festival will be held on Nov. 26 when Pastor Hein returns from his Liberia trip. Members are asked to bring a dish to share for the potluck which will be held following the worship service. Dorcas Guild Committee #3 is hosting. Also, the blood drive will be held on the same day.
- ◆ **CLC Contractors:** Our ILC Facilities Manager is seeking contractors within the CLC willing to be on a list available to the Immanuel Maintenance Department. The list could include contractors for roofing, electrical, HVAC, plumbing, concrete, carpentry, drywall, painting, flooring/carpet installation, etc., who could be called upon for expertise or to submit bids on large projects to save money for Immanuel. Some of the work would require the contractor to be licensed and bonded. But such a list would still obviously be helpful. Those interested can contact Paul Heinze (715-456-7194/ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu).
- ◆ **Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day:** is Nov. 10 beginning at 10 am in the ILC gymnasium for chapel. It will feature presentations and classroom visits until 3 pm. Come and learn more about your church’s college and a continuing education with Christ. Housing can be provided along with meals. Friday evening there is the opportunity to see the ILC fall musical: Anne with an E. It will be performed both Fri. and Sat. evenings at 7:30 pm with music to preface at 7 pm. Speak with pastor about questions and attendance or contact Prof. John Ude, by Nov. 7 (W: 715-836-6631/H: 715-600-6210/john.ude@ilc.edu).
- ◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #7 – Fifth Commandment

JESUS LOVES ME. THIS I KNOW, FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO

"... I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

I have yet to find a more strikingly simple illustration of the principles of the Reformation and of the Christian faith than that simple verse of the children's song all of us learned and loved in our childhood: "Jesus loves me. This I know, for the Bible tells me so."

JESUS LOVES ME -- Isn't that grace alone? He loves me, undeserving sinner though I am, "having been justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."

THIS I KNOW -- Isn't that faith alone, the confidence and certainty of Christ's love and my salvation in Him?

FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO -- Because my God has said so in His Word and I believe it. Isn't that Scripture alone?

May the lyrics of this children's Reformation song live in our hearts. For each Reformation offers us yet another opportunity to reaffirm our commitment, to write our own Formula of Concord.

The principles of the Reformation are not simply worth maintaining -- there are no other options or alternatives. They must be maintained. They must be reaffirmed by each generation anew, by each of our churches anew, by each of our families anew, by each of our hearts anew. They must be renewed by faithful use of Word and sacrament, Luther's source of strength and no less ours.

It is our privileged and honored calling to be Christ's witnesses, His messengers, His reformers for our day. May we go forward in His name and to His glory with courage, confidence, and commitment. "The Lord of hosts is [still] with us; the God of Jacob is [still] our refuge."

-- From the Lutheran Spokesman

Last Week's Stats: Oct. 22, 2017 Sun.: 96 S.S.: 7 B.Cl.: 36 Wed.: 18

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$2,308.50	CLC:	\$905.00
Weekly Need:	Grace:	3,300.00	CLC:	950.00
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-991.50	CLC:	-45.00
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$137,745.27	CLC:	\$38,482.00
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	141,900.00	CLC:	40,850.00
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-4,154.73	CLC:	-2,368.00
GLC Other: 267.50	Living Faith: 10.00	Tuition Aid: 35.00		
SAF Endowment: 0.00	MDF: 10.00	Kinship: 50.00		
ILC Student Aid: 25.00	ILC Bldg. 0.00	IIF: 0.00	CEF: 0.00	
Current Balances:	Parking Lot: 29,696.75	Tuition Aid: 1,540.12		

Noting the SOLAS:

TO GOD ALONE THE GLORY!

(For 500th Anniversary — Rev. Paul Fleischer, Tune TLH 483)

Sola Scriptura † Sola Gratia † Sola Fide = Solus Christus

Our Luth'ran heritage we celebrate—
Salvation comes by faith in **CHRIST ALONE**.
This world of sinners all deserved a fate
From which God's Son alone could us atone.

God's Word reveals His holy will for man.
We look therefore to that pure **WORD ALONE**.
We'll fear no man's decree or papal ban;
By Scripture only, grace and faith are known.

Without our aid, but prompted by His love,
God's saving plan took place—by **GRACE ALONE**.
Sin is forgiv'n! This gospel from above
Proclaims to all Christ Jesus, Cornerstone.

Whoe'er believes—faith is the Spirit's work—
Is God's dear child and that by **FAITH ALONE!**
Through Word and water a new life is born;
No longer dead in sin, faith's fruits are shown.

Glory to God--the Father with the Son
And Holy Spirit--the great Three in One.
Our hymn of praise we raise to **HIM ALONE**
Now and forever, since our crown is won!



REFORMATION
500TH ANNIVERSARY

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: Sue Nelson

Elder: Benno Sydow

Ushers: Brian Eichstadt; Kevin Baker; Dan Degnan;
Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow

Counting Team 3: Brian Eichstadt; Duane Enns; David Hein;
Chad Hestekin; Benno Sydow

Hospitality Team 4: James & April Bomber; Rachelle
Kanneh; Heidi Nelson; Bob & Suki Vandever

Church Cleaners: P. & C. Lentz School: Holmberg

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: Brian Eichstadt; Kevin Baker; Dan Degnan;
Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow

Counting Team 4: James Bomber; Brad Kitzman; Paul
Lentz; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust

Hospitality Team 5: Andrea Dahl; Pat & Dawn Paplow;
Frank & Ann Radichel

Church Cleaners: Boe/Ochsner School: Kanneh

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

October Sun.: Lutheran Reformation 500th Anniversary Series

Sun. Oct. 29: 9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:00 am – Worship Service (Reformation #5)

11:00 am – Hospitality

4:00 pm – Joint Reformation Service @ Mankato, MN

October 31: 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation

Wed., Nov. 1: 4:30-6:15 pm – Catechism for Public School Students

7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Class

Sun., Nov. 5: Standard Time Begins (Turn clocks back one hour)

8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:00 am – Worship Service (Reformation w/Lord's Supper)

11:00 am – Hospitality

Nov. 7-25: Pastor Hein's Mission Trip to Liberia

Fri., Nov. 10: Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day

Nov. 10-11: 7:30 pm – ILC Musical, "Anne with an E" (Music @ 7 pm)

Sun., Nov. 12: 8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:00 am – Worship Service

11:00 am – Hospitality; 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Wed., Nov. 22: 7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Worship (Pastor Schierenbeck)

Sun., Nov. 26: Mission Festival Sunday