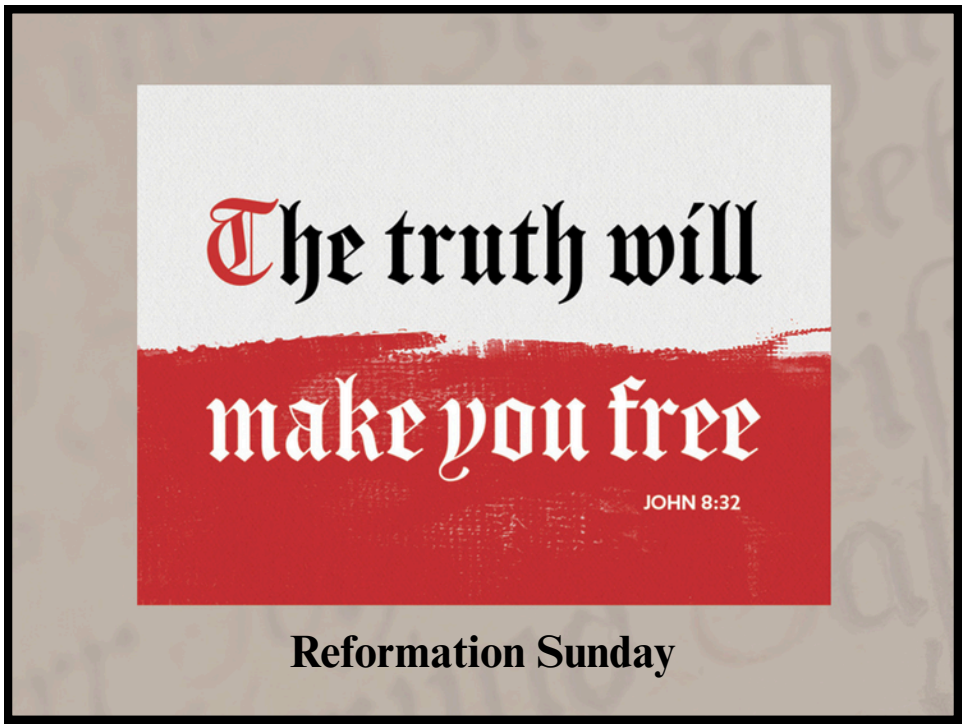


Reformation Sunday

Introduction

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

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Pastor Randy Schroeder

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Pastor Kristin Rice

October 25, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

All are welcome here
All people of faith, All people of doubt
All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression
All people who seek a compassionate community

All are welcome here
Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray
Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks
Welcome to serve God and neighbors

All are welcome here
All are redeemed by a gracious God

The Gathering

Prelude Music

Soli Deo Gloria (setting by J. Bert Carlson; 2013 GIA Publications)
Built on the Rock (setting by Jacob B. Weber; 2017 Concordia Publishing House)

Please stand.

Call to Worship (lectionarylitergies.blogspot.com)

PR We are invited to share in Christ's ministry of compassion.
C We will widen our hearts so we might cradle the lost.

PR We are challenged to learn more about God each day.
C We will open our minds so we might discern God's dreams for us.

PR We are summoned to let the Spirit be planted within us.
C We will deepen our souls so we might grow in love.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

PR Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.

C Amen.

PR Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

PR Compassionate God,

C we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PR Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 504: ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*** (Vs. 1, 2, 3, interlude, 4)



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Greeting

PR 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.

Hymn of Praise





Prayer of the Day

PR 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.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

The Word

L A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

Jeremiah 31:31-34

31 The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant
with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 32 It 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. 33 But 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. 34 No 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.

L The word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46 (Read responsively by whole verse.)

1 God 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;
3 though 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.
5 God 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.
7 The 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;
9 behold 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."
11 The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

L A second reading from the book of Romans.

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 silenced and the whole world may be held
accountable to God. 20 For no human will be justified before him by deeds
prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

21 But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and
is attested by the Law and the Prophets, 22 the righteousness of God through the
faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, 23 since all
have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; 24 they are now justified by his
grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put
forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did
this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had
passed over the sins previously committed; 26 it was to demonstrate at the
present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the
one who has the faith of Jesus.
27 Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law?
That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. 28 For we hold that a person
is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

L The word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

P*lease stand.*

Gospel Acclamation



PR The Holy Gospel according to John, the eighth chapter.
C Glory to you, O Lord.

John 8:31-36

31 Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word,
you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will
make you free." 33 They 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'?"
34 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a
slave to sin. 35 The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the
son has a place there forever. 36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free
indeed."

PR The Gospel of our Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

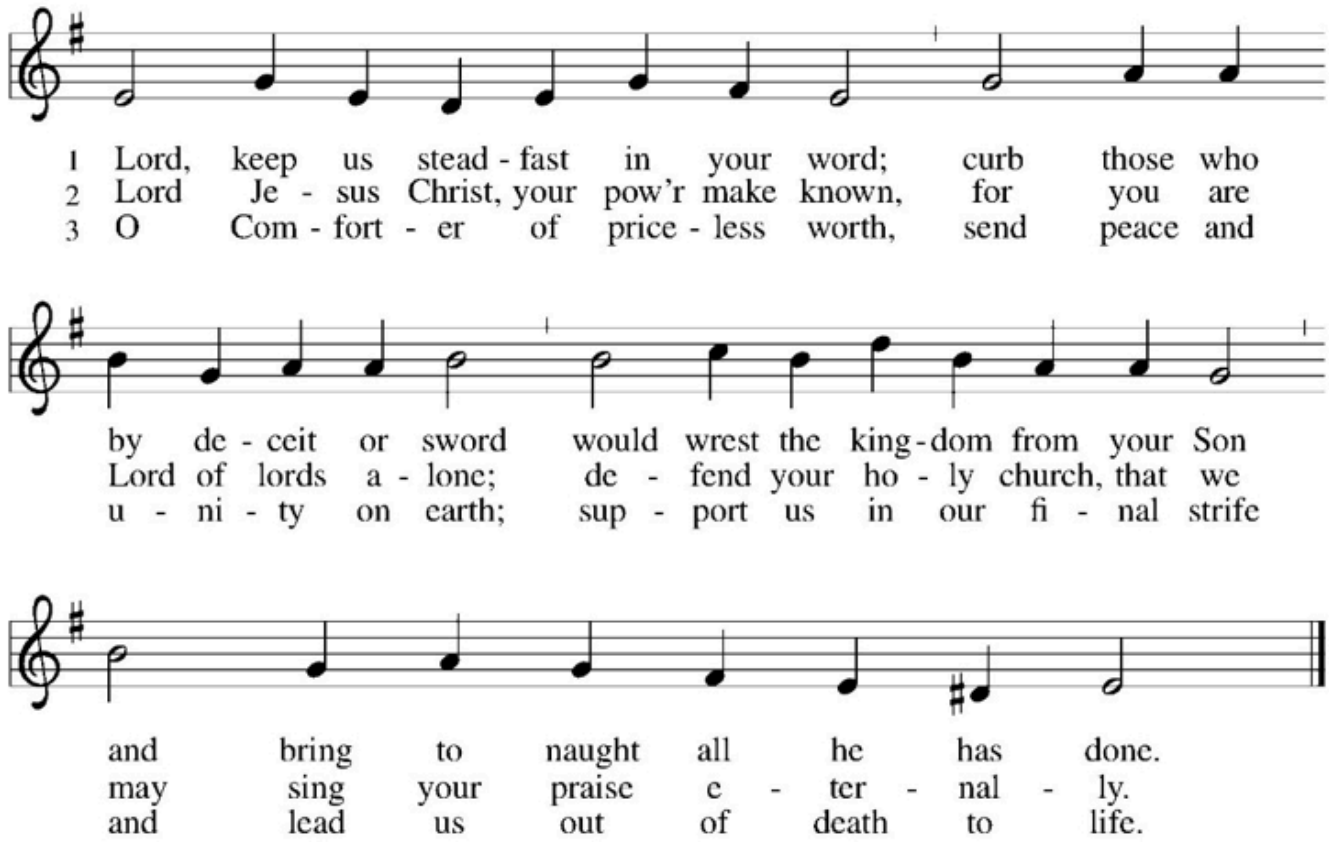
Children's Sermon

Sermon **Pastor Randy Schroeder**

Faith Statements **Emma Collier & Harper Johnson**

Please stand.

Hymn of the Day: ELW (red), hymn 517: *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*
(Choir only verse 2)



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PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism. The assembly may stand and join in the responses.

PR I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

HJ & EC I renounce them.

PR Together with Harper and Emma I ask you, siblings in Christ, Do you believe in God the Father?

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

PR Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C 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.

PR Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C 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.

AFFIRMATION

PR You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

HJ & EC I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

PR People of God, do you promise to support Harper and Emma and pray for them in their life in Christ?

C We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

The presiding minister prays for God's blessing.

PR Let us pray.
We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

The minister may lay both hands on the head of the person and say:

PR Stir up in Harper and Emma the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

A Let us rejoice with our sister in Christ.

C We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Prayers

A Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. (A brief silence.) A Gracious God, on this Reformation Sunday, we give thanks for Martin Luther and all who have called your church to renewal. Continue to reform us through your Word and Spirit. Give us courage to question, humility to listen, and faith to trust that your grace is always at work among us. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Creator God, you have entrusted the earth to our care. Bring healing to lands and waters damaged by pollution, greed, and neglect. Protect the Wabash River and the natural places of our community. Inspire us to care for creation so that all living things may flourish. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of peace and justice, we pray for all affected by war and violence, especially the United States, Iran, Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, Syria, and throughout the world. Protect those displaced from their homes and guide world leaders toward peace. As our nation approaches the upcoming elections, grant wisdom, integrity, and compassion to those seeking public office and all who serve in positions of authority. Help us move beyond division, honor the dignity of every person, and work together for the common good. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Faithful God, today we rejoice with Emma Collier and Harper Johnson as they affirm their baptismal promises. Continue to nurture their faith, strengthen their questions, and guide them as they discover the many ways you call them to love and serve. Renew in all of us the promises of our own baptism, that together we may grow in faith and share your love with the world. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Compassionate God, bring healing to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Comfort those harmed by violence, abuse, or the actions of the church. We pray especially for the family of Don Miller, Helmut W., The family of Mark Everhart, David S., Sandy M., Tim S., Shelly D., Lea M., Mary Jo B., Ishraq's family, Sara F., Joe, Edna and Ron H., Mary Ann, Anna, Jim B., Carol W., Jake, Dan S., Claudia S., Betty, Jamie J., Megan O., Jennifer, Mike, Fred G., Sally, Jean, Nathan, Haley, Renee, and Sam R. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A God of new beginnings, continue to guide OSLC and Purdue Lutheran Ministry as we discern the future of our ministry and property. Bless our partnership with Relèven and all who join us in listening, learning, and imagining new possibilities. Give us patience, courage, and generosity of spirit as we seek to serve our neighbors and make your love known. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Eternal God, we give thanks for the faithful witnesses who have gone before us, especially those who helped renew your church through the generations. Comfort all who grieve, and remind us that in Christ, neither death nor life can separate us from your love. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

PR Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those held in our hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Peace

PR The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

The Meal

As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:
For today's distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, usher) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshiping online and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played.

Offering
Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Donate" tab, this could be your opportunity.

Choir Anthem: ***The Truth Will Make You Free*** (by Anne Krentz Organ; 2017 Augsburg Frotress)

Please Stand.

Offering Prayer

A Let us pray,
God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.

C Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

PR The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

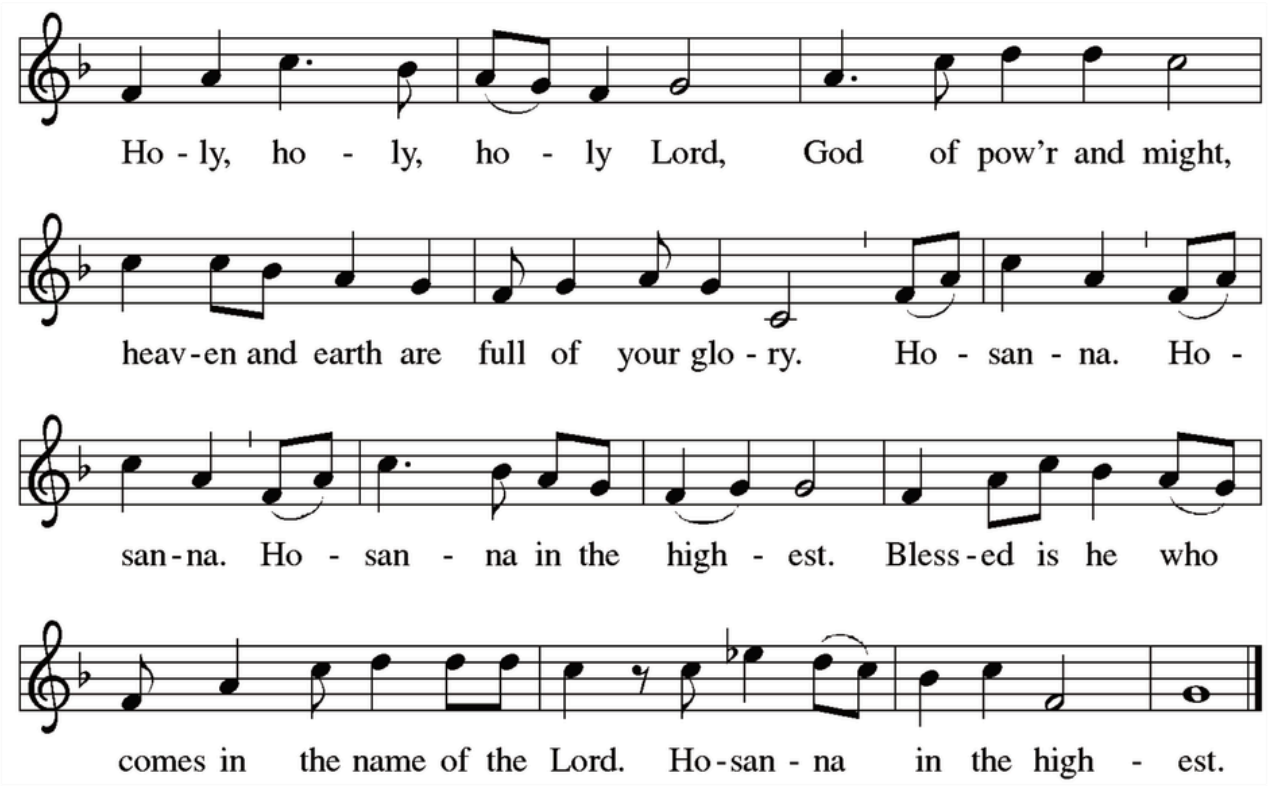
PR Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

PR Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PR 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 on this day 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:



PR Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

PR **The Lord's Prayer**

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

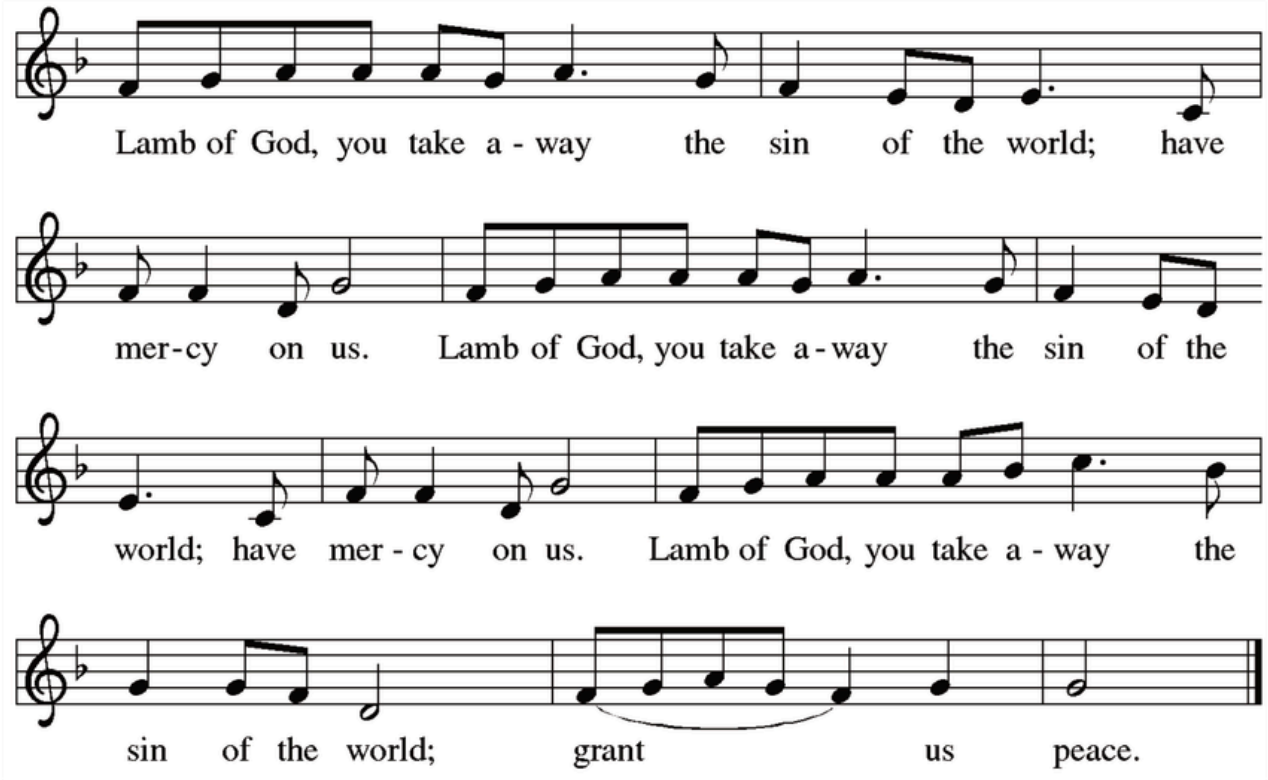
Invitation to Communion

PR God's grace overflows into us through this meal of broken bread and festive drink. No one is turned away from this table because God's love welcomes and receives all of us. Come, for all is ready, and there is a place for you here.

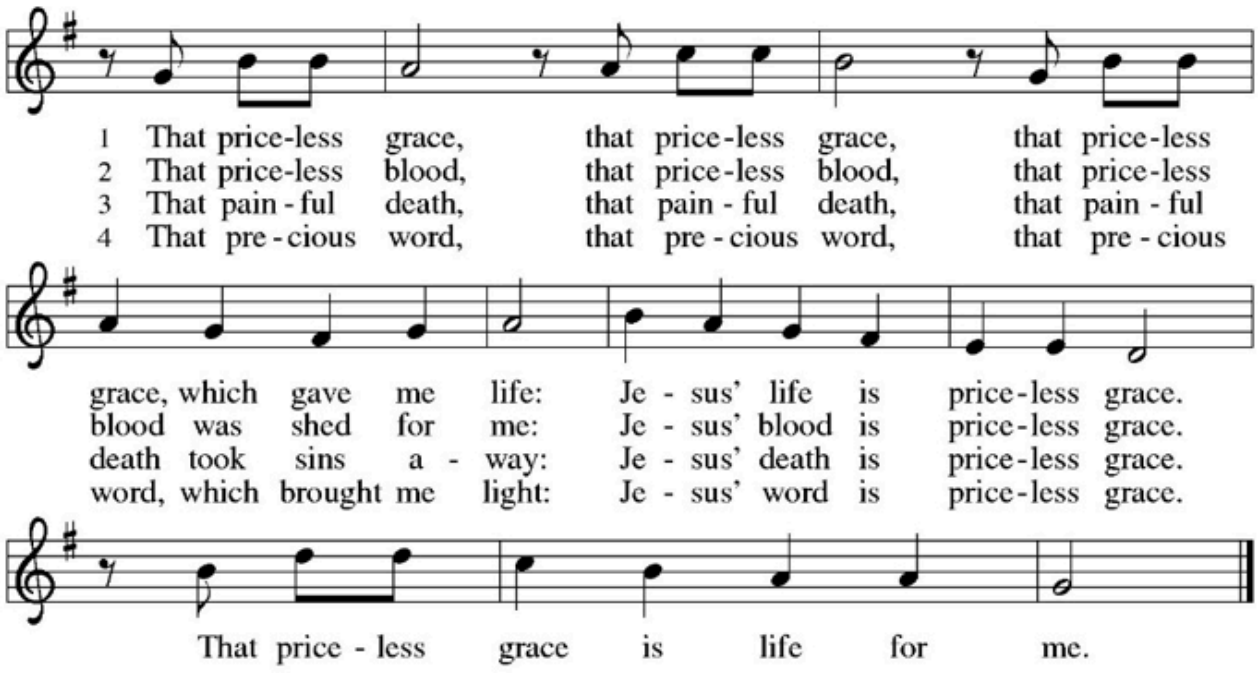
Distribution

There are gluten-free wafers and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the server.

Lamb of God



Communion Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 591: *That Priceless Grace*



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Music: THAT PRICELESS GRACE, Ghanaian traditional
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Please stand.

PR The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen.

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray,
Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.
By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

C Amen.

The Sending

An Invitation

Sending Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 511: ***Thy Strong Word*** (vs. 1, 3, interlude, 4)





5 Give us lips to sing thy glory,
tongues thy mercy to proclaim,
throats that shout the hope that fills us,
mouths to speak thy holy name.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
May the light which thou dost send
fill our songs with alleluias,
alleluias without end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,
to thee laud and honor be.
To thee, Light of Light begotten,
praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
glory, glory be to thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
praise the holy Trinity!

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Blessing

PR The God of love
draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

PR The God of hope
grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

C Amen.

PR The God of grace
✠ bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

Dismissal

A Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C Thanks be to God.

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Pastor Kristin is available for campus ministry-related care and support. Please contact her at: 262-758-1235 or by email: pastor@plm.org

We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter. The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop.
Would you like to hear the Pastor, Assisting Minister, Lector, and announcements better? sanctuary is served both by a hearing loop and by Auracast. You can use our headphones or your hearing aids.

1. If you have hearing aids that support a telecoil, turn your hearing aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

2. If you have hearing aids that support Auracast, turn on Auracast (probably on the smartphone connected to your aids) and select the stream labeled "OSLC Sanctuary".

3. If you want to use headphones, ask an usher for a pair of headphones.

Kid's Worship Bags and Family Room: The kids' worship bags have been updated with new items that help children follow along with the worship service, storybook Bibles and fun activities to do. For little ones there are quiet toys, books, and activities in the family in the back of the church for the children to play with during the service. Please feel free to let your children explore.

Joys and Concerns can be submitted by filling out the cards which can be found in the narthex or in the pew attendance pads, contacting Erin Thompson in the OSLC office (765-743- 2931) or at erin@osluth.org. You can also contact any of the Care Team: Sue Aufderheide (ska@purdue.edu), Sherri Guido (dr.guido@comcast.net) or Vera Weiser (weiser.vera@gmail.com). We will run the concern for two weeks under **Concerns** and then move it to on-going prayer list until further notice. The **Joys** will also be run for two weeks.

PRAYERS

Along with the Indiana Kentucky Synod staff, we lift these faith communities and rostered leaders in our prayers:

St. Luke – Cold Spring, KY – Rev. Vicki Garber, Interim
St. Luke – Newburgh, IN – Rev. Jane Rothman, POR
St. Luke – Michigan City, IN – Rev. Erik Bernth, POR
St. Mark – Albion, IN – Rev. John Roberts, POR
St. Mark – Louisville, KY – Rev. Dan Forehand, POR

University of Kentucky, (Lutheran-Episcopal Campus Ministry), Lexington, KY, Rob Coulston

Rev. Fred Hasecke-Ft. Wayne, IN
Rev. Kirk Havel-New Palestine, IN
Rev. Terri Peterson, Pastor-in-Charge, St. John Evangelist Episcopal Church, Elkhart, IN
Rev. John Hawkins III-Whiteland, IN
Deacon Ken Hebel-Noblesville, IN

Bishop Scott Dalen and Western Iowa Synod staff

About Our Nave

Against the north wall is the Tree of Life, designed by the late liturgical designer Charles Pohlmann and constructed in 1996 by then-OSLC member Ted Marshall. The processional cross was given to OSLC in memory of Jennie Dana. Many of our paraments were designed and hand-woven by OSLC member Bea Stromberg. The west wall is lined with seven wood carvings depicting the life of Christ commissioned from the late Nigerian carver Lamidi Fakeye. At the center of the nave stands a marble baptismal font, a gift from members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The prints of paintings on the east wall are by nationally known liturgical artist He Qi. The center piece is given by the Church Council in honor of Sam Rasmy for his long-time service as Financial Secretary of OSLC. The Last Supper, by Guatemalan artist Angelina Quic Ixtamer, was purchased by the 2014 Guatemala Mission Team. The OSLC logo was redesigned in 2022 with elements reflecting the unique architecture of the sanctuary, the 2019 addition of the south stained-glass window, our affiliation with the ELCA, and the eternal presence of our Lord and Saviour.

References to the Tree of Life are found in both the Old and New Testaments. It has both literal and symbolic meaning for Christians: it is the literal tree of life in Genesis, and in Revelation it represents everlasting life granted to those who display fruits of the spirit and of righteousness aligned with God's principles.

Our Saviour's Mission, Vision, and Values (February 10, 2025)

Mission Statement:
Embraced by God's Love to:

- Honor all people
- Share Christ's compassion
- Serve the world

Vision:
Make Christ's love known to all:

- Meet people where they are
- Accompany and encourage one another along the way
- Nurture our roots and foster new growth

Values:
Empathy: Understanding and addressing the needs of others
Growth: Encouraging the development of faith, love, and compassion
Generosity: Giving of time, talents, and assets to care for the community and the world
Belonging: Nurturing a community where all are honored and celebrated
Tradition: Rooted in the Christian faith as members of the ELCA
Caring: managing resources with purpose and integrity.