



Reformation Sunday

October 30, 8:45 & 11:15 AM

Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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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.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Fantaisie on "Ein Feste Burg"

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN • ELW 665

Rise, Shine, You People!



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

Text: Ronald A. Klug, b. 1939, alt.
Music: WOJTKIEWIECZ, Dale Wood, 1934–2003
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GREETING

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

There is one body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Creator of all.

Blessed be God who sustains and protects God's holy Church.
And blessed be God who guides and confirms us in our faith. Amen. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (11:15)

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

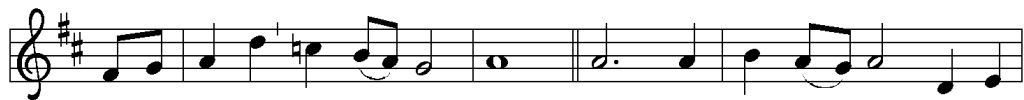


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

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. 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. 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. 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

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. For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION—ELW 517

Lord, keep us steadfast in your word

Please sing verses 1 & 2 before the Gospel reading. Sing verse 3 after the Gospel reading.



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and



by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son
Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we
u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife



and bring to naught all he has done.
may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to Saint John, the eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” 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?’”

Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Miller

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY • ELW 504

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther
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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

After each portion of the prayers:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude:

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

We invite you to give your offering online at saintlukegive.us

You may also mail your checks to:

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9100 Colesville Road
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CHORAL ANTHEM

Praise the Lord

Praise the LORD!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!
²Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him for his excellent greatness!
³Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
⁴Praise him with timbrel and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!
⁵Praise him with sounding cymbals;
clashing cymbals!
⁶Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!

Text: Psalm 150
Music: Jane Marshall (1924-2019)

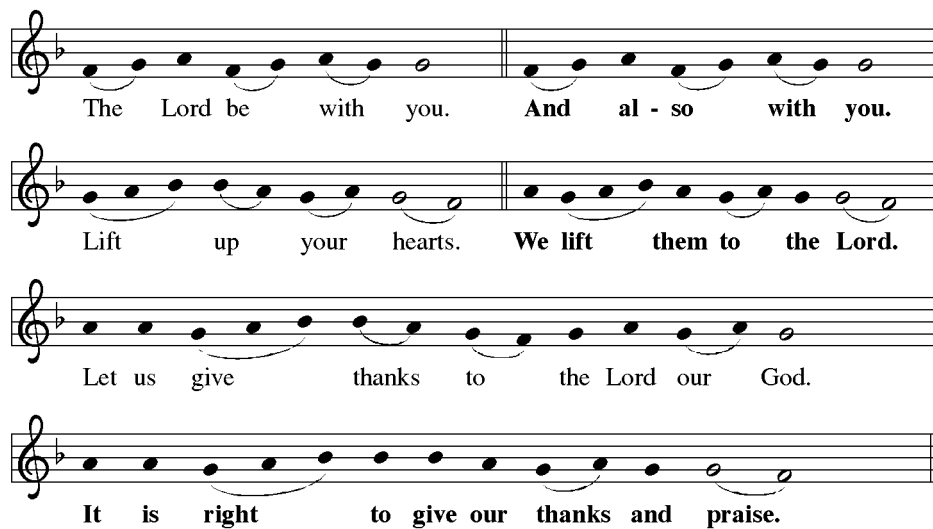
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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give our thanks and praise, for in the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please pray in your own preferred language.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

**Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga a nosotros tu reino,
hagase tu voluntad,
asi en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden;
y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion,
mas libranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amen**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites us to this table.
Come, taste and see.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are two stations at the foot of the chancel steps. Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ. (Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server) Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say:
Amen.


LAMB OF GOD




Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN • ELW 485

I Am the Bread of Life

Leader or All

1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
 3 "Un - less you eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion,
 5 Yes, Lord, I be - lieve that

come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man and
 I am the life. If you be -
 you are the Christ, the

lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat of this bread, and you shall . . . live for -
 drink of his blood, and drink of his
 lieve in me, e - ven . . . though you
 Son of God, who have

me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er, you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to the world.

Refrain
 All

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

and I will raise you up on the last day."

Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6
 Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM
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Please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • ELW 645

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
hosts, and stay; come with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,
you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
to the Son, praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
hear your peo - ple as they pray; and your full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell, 1659–1695; arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802–1868

DISMISSAL

Go in peace,
Saved by grace.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

from *Plymouth Suite*
Toccata

Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

WORSHIP LEADERS

PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, *Senior Pastor*

The Rev. Franklin Morales, *Associate Pastor*

COMMUNION SERVER 8:45, ASSISTING MINISTER 11:15

Deacon Kyle Warfield, *Director of Discipleship and Senior High Ministries*

COMMUNION SERVER

The Rev. Richard Zawistoski, *Confirmation Pastor*

READERS

8:45 Matt Shugert

11:15 Sarah Aderholdt

MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*

Schola Cantorum

Brock Butchko, *Tambourine*

Brass Quintet

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This week at Saint Luke Lutheran Church

SUNDAY, October 30—Reformation Sunday

8:45 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class
10:00 AM SLSHY
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM The Forum
10:00 AM Reception
11:15 AM Holy Communion

MONDAY, October 31

8:00 AM CDS Classes
6:00 PM Yoga

TUESDAY, November 1

8:00 AM CDS Classes
1:30 PM Program Staff Meeting
4:30 PM Piano Lessons
7:00 PM Girl Scouts
7:00 PM Reformation Bells

WEDNESDAY, November 2

7:00 AM Zoom Faith Connections
8:00 AM CDS Classes
10:00 AM CDS Chapel
10:00 AM Women in Community
5:00 PM Choristers RSCM program
5:30 PM Zoom Sara/Lydia Circle
7:30 PM Schola Cantorum Rehearsal
7:30 PM AA

THURSDAY, November 3

8:00 AM CDS Classes
4:00 PM CARing Project
7:30 PM Zoom Centering Prayer

FRIDAY, November 4

8:00 AM CDS Classes
5:00 PM Quilters

SATURDAY, November 5

9:30 AM AA
10:00 AM Schola Cantorum Rehearsal
11:00 AM Al-Anon

SUNDAY, November 6—All Saints Sunday

8:45 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class
10:00 AM SLSHY
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Reception
11:15 AM Holy Communion
3:00 PM Zoom San Lucas Gospel Meditation
5:00 PM All Saints Evensong

NB: Worship Services are in person and livestreamed

Upcoming Commemorations

Reformation Day

Monday, October 31, 2022

By the end of the seventeenth century, many Lutheran churches celebrated a festival commemorating Martin Luther's posting of the Ninety-five Theses, a summary of abuses in the church of his time. At the heart of the reform movement was the gospel, the good news that it is by grace through faith that we are justified and set free.

All Saints Day

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. On this day or the following Sunday, many congregations will remember the faithful who have died during the past year.

Martín de Porres, renewer of society, died 1639

Thursday, November 3, 2022

Martín was the son of a Spanish knight and a freed Black woman from Panama. As a lay brother in the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), he engaged in many charitable works in Lima, Peru. He founded an orphanage, a hospital, and a clinic for cats and dogs.

John Christian Frederick Heyer, died 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, died 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, died 1918; missionaries

Monday, November 7, 2022

Heyer was the first missionary sent out by American Lutherans. After teaching at Gettysburg College and Seminary he was assigned to the Andhra region of India. A worker among the Tamil people on the southeast coast of India, Ziegenbalg was opposed both by local Hindus and by Danish authorities who favored a different missionary style. He was known for caring about the welfare of the whole person. Nommensen was born in northern Germany and was sent to Sumatra as a Lutheran missionary. Working among the Batak people, he translated the scriptures into their language, and honored their native culture.

Martin, Bishop of Tours, died 397

Friday, November 11, 2022

Martin's pagan father enlisted him in the Roman army. Approached by a beggar, Martin cut his cloak in half and gave part to the man, whom he later understood as representing Christ. He asked to leave the army, but was jailed instead. After his release, he became a preacher, and later a bishop.

Søren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, died 1855

Friday, November 11, 2022

Kierkegaard was a Danish theologian whose writings also gave rise to the modern philosophy of existentialism. He frequently attacked the complacency of the state church of his day, as well as its desire to be accepted by polite society rather than be a stumbling block.

Saint Luke Update **10/30/2022 Edition**

MASKS ARE ENCOURAGED INDOORS AT SAINT LUKE. THANK YOU FOR STAYING SAFE AND WELL.

REFORMATION SUNDAY

We celebrate the great message that we are saved by grace through faith—such a wonderful gift. It is Reformation Sunday and we welcome brass, special music—and so much more. It was October 31, 1517, the eve before All Saints Day, when people would be coming to church. Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the church door (a bulletin board) to invite discussion about the selling of indulgences for forgiveness. This started the reformation of the church. We are saved not based on our own works, but because of the sheer grace of God in Jesus Christ. What a message. What a gospel! This reformation, however, was not just a one time event. We are always reforming, always making sure we stay true to the gospel message. Where is our hope? Jesus. Where is our trust? Jesus. Where is our faith? Jesus. We celebrate that the one who saves is Jesus, thanks to the unconditional love of our God. A blessed day of grace.

MEET DR. MARTIN LUTHER: TODAY 10:00 a.m.

What might Martin Luther, historic reformer, say to us today? Is there a reformation happening today? So often we think of this as something that happened in the 16th century, but how about right now, here in this place, our world, our country, our community? Come to **The Forum, between the services, 10:00 a.m.** this morning in the sanctuary, hosted by several of our pastors. You will not want to miss this experience!

THE BLUE BINS ARE OUT UNTIL NOVEMBER 6

On **November 13**, the PreK-12th graders will be creating Thanksgiving Bags in the Great Hall, that will be given along with a grocery card to Food Pantry clients on November 18. Items needed for the Thanksgiving Bags are cereal (unsweetened), granola bars, fruit cups, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, and lotion (small bottle) and donations can be placed in the blue bins across from the sanctuary. Donations will be accepted until November 6. Monetary donations can be give at www.saintlukegive.us under the line item “children/youth service project.”

ADD A TURKEY OR HEN

Saint Luke food ministry distributes about \$12,000 in food cards to over 250 individuals/families each month on the third Friday. To help with this ministry, you may purchase a turkey or hen. No, you don't have to shop and bring the bird to the church. Simply go to www.saintlukegive.us and see Thanksgiving Turkey or Thanksgiving Hen. Or take a “paper” turkey or hen from the basket on the credenza, place your donation in the envelope provided and place in the offering plate. A \$20 donation is suggested. Help make someone's holiday meal complete! Thank you.

WREATHS BENEFIT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Saint Luke Christian Day School is pleased once again work with Lynch Creek Farms to sell Christmas wreaths to support the CDS Scholarship Fund. Merchandise is shipped directly to the recipient. If you order now, you can choose a shipping date for November or December. The link to go directly to the fundraising page is <https://www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/c/300051>. Please be sure to check the box that says Fundraising Campaign and put in the campaign number, 300051. Please be aware that some sale merchandise is not eligible for fundraising. CDS will earn 15% of all eligible sales. Thank you for your support.

Today's Music

HYMN NOTES

Rise, Shine, You People!

Ronald A. Klug, b. 1939

When Wilson Egbert asked his colleague Ronald Klug at Augsburg Publishing House to write a hymn for the Epiphany season for the Epiphany season, Klug “immediately thought of the text from Isaiah 60:1 ‘Arise, shine for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.’ Klug says, “I had in mind an image: I was staying at St. Augustine’s House, a Lutheran monastery near Oxford, Michigan, for Holy Week. The week ended with an Easter vigil. We started in the chapel around 11:30 PM and at midnight. I remember the feeling of absurdity, the foolishness of the gospel, but also spiritual warfare, our hymns and prayers “hurled’ at the Evil One, like an inkpot!” - ELW Hymnal Companion

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther, 1483-1546

This “Battle Hymn of the Reformation” is based on portions of Psalm 46, scripture being the inspiration for a number of Luther hymns. The final stanza is Luther’s vow, and ours, to cling to God’s Word and Truth in spite of the stresses of this life.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

I Am the Bread of Life

Suzanne Toolan, b. 1927

Toolan wrote both the hymn and tune in 1966 when she was a high school teacher. It was written during one of her free periods. Originally she had thought it rather sentimental and would revise it, but a student who had accidentally heard it asked her what the music was, and so she kept it. It is a close paraphrase of John 6:35, 44, 51, and 53. With the exception of stanza 5, it is the words of Jesus.—ELW Hymnal Companion

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Latin, c. 7th century

The ancient Latin hymn from the 7th century about blessed Jerusalem is based on St. Paul’s description of the church in Ephesians 2:20, 21: “build upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the chief corner-stone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord.” As “living stones” we are joined together to form a “spiritual house” with Christ as the foundation of all.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

MUSIC NOTES

Prelude: Fantaisie on “Ein Feste Burg” - Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

A Canadian organist and composer, Bédard has written many works for organ but also for choirs.

The *Fantaisie on ‘Ein Feste Burg’* was commissioned in 2001 by the American organist Mark Willey. Each section of the piece is based on a phrase from the German chorale, separated by rapid and fanciful passages, giving the work a varied and whimsical structure.—Denis Bédard

Choral Anthem: Praise the Lord—Jane Marshall (1924-2019)

Marshall was a composer of choral music and a hymnwriter. She was a longtime member of the Sacred Music graduate faculty at Perkins School of Theology, SMU. Her anthem “Praise the Lord” uses the text from Psalm 150. Different voice parts come in with the first five lines of the psalm accompanied by a percussive keyboard accompaniment. The anthem finishes loudly on a unison “Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.”

Postlude: Toccata from *Plymouth Suite*—Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

Whitlock was an English organist and composer. The *Plymouth Suite* is probably the composer’s most famous and most popular work. The last movement of the suite, Toccata, starts soft and fast. It features the main melody in the pedals. A fanfare-like counter melody is played in dialogue between a big reed and balancing foundations. The piece steadily grows until a dynamic eruption.