



Faith Lutheran Church

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REFORMATION SUNDAY



Sola Gratia
Grace Alone

Sola Fide
Faith Alone

Sola Scriptura
Scripture Alone

October 26, 2025 + 10:45 am

Notes To Assist Our Worship

Welcome – We are glad you chose to worship here today! We hope you discover the presence of God here and that together we can grow as friends of Christ and one another.

Standing and Sitting – If standing, sitting, and kneeling is too much for you, please remain seated (or standing at the communion rail) during those parts of the service. God is coming to you with His Gospel gifts. Our standing, sitting, and kneeling are simply our responses to God based on our health and ability.

Nursery – Faith Lutheran Church has a staffed nursery available for you to use on Sundays for children age 3 and younger. Please ask an usher if you need assistance in finding the nursery.

Hearing Impaired – Do you have a hearing impairment that makes it difficult to enjoy worship as much as you would like? Faith has a “hearing loop” for those with hearing aids with that feature. We also offer hearing impaired FM receivers for those wishing to use one. Please see one of our sound technicians for assistance.

Our Hymnals – *LSB* refers to the *Lutheran Service Book*, which is the burgundy hard covered book in the pew rack. *WOV* refers to *With One Voice*, the smaller blue soft cover book.

Reformation Sunday

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025 + 10:45 am

WORSHIP MUSIC

UNITED IN CHRIST

**Borcherding,
Flattley, Verburg**

**People of the Lord, come now and sing.
Ev'ry nation and tongue, to Christ our King.
With empty hands, His gifts receive.**

**Whether young or old, you're a child of God.
Whether rich or poor, no matter what you've got.
He gathers all at the foot of the cross.**

Chorus

**His body broken makes this body whole.
His resurrection, it assures us all.
No darkness, nor doubting, nor pain in this life
Could keep us from being united in Christ.**

**Sinners and saints, you have a place.
With the Spirit's gifts, proclaim His grace.
There's nothing too small to be used by the living God.**
Chorus

Bridge

**We are the body, Christ is the head.
Sealed with the promise, through blood He shed.
We are the body, Christ is the head.
His grace the heartbeat, our confidence. *Repeat stanza***

Our confidence! *Chorus*

**No darkness, nor doubting, nor pain in this life
Could keep us from being united in Christ.**

WELCOME

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

***OPENING SONG AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)**

Chris Tomlin

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.**

Refrain

**My chains are gone. I've been set free,
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.**

**The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures. *Refrain twice***

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below,
Will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.**

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***INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

***SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM+**

Violet Althea Wood
Merton Alan “Al” Fernaays

Pastor: I now ask everyone: do you believe in God, the Father
Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

Congregation: Yes, I believe.

P: Do you 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 sits at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to
judge the living and the dead?

C: Yes, I believe.

P: Do you 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?

C: Yes, I believe.

P: Through Baptism, God has added Violet and Alan to His own
people, to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has
called us out darkness into His marvelous light!

C: Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

BAPTISM SONG

HERE IN THE WATER Bartels, Lamb, Lange

This is the beginning of a life made new.
This is where forever begins with You.
I remember the day when You gave me Your name,
This is the beginning of a life made new.

This is the beginning of a life made new.
This is where forever begins with You.
You put the old in the grave with the sin and the shame.
This is the beginning of a life made new.

Chorus

The Jordan Song goes on and on,
My morning dawns here in the water.
Evil depart from my new heart.
New mercies start here in the water.

This is the beginning of a life made new.
This is where forever begins with You.
Baptized into death, I share Your breath.
This is the beginning of a life made new. *Chorus*

I have received, I still believe
Your word to me here in the water.
Delivered me, and set me free
Your word to me here in the water. *Chorus*

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 46 (NIV)

46 God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way**
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

³ though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,**
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

⁵ God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.

**⁶ Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.**

⁷ The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**⁸ Come and see what the Lord has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.**

⁹ He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

**¹⁰ He says, “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 Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now 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. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom 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. ²⁶It 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.

²⁷Then 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. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***ALLELUIA VERSE**

AGNUS DEI

Michael W Smith

Alleluia, Alleluia, For the Lord God almighty reigns.

Alleluia, Alleluia, For the Lord God almighty reigns.

Alleluia. Holy.

Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, You are Holy!

Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, Amen.

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***HOLY GOSPEL**

John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 8th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

Pastor Peter

GATHERING OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING *Death Was Arrested*

Balltzglier, Coker,
Kersh, Smith

(Michael Balentine, soloist)

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin,
Lost without hope with no place to begin;
Your love made a way to let mercy come in,
When death was arrested and my life began.

Chorus:

Oh, Your grace, so free, washes over me.
You have made me new, now life begins with You.
It's Your endless love pouring down on us.
You have made us new, now life begins with You.

Released from my chains, I'm a pris'ner no more.
My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore.
He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend,
When death was arrested and my life began. *Chorus*

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross.
Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost.
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand.
That's when death was arrested and my life began.

Oh, we're free, free; forever we're free.
Come join the song of all the redeemed.
Yes, we're free, free; forever, amen!
When death was arrested and my life began.

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*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sick/Hospitalized:

- **Scott**, son of a friend of Bruce & Chris Kulp, who had a stroke at a young age
- **Allen McMullen**, relative of the Bailey-Hutchings Family, surgery and reconstruction for cancerous lesion
- **Bob Mindler**, friend of the Hutchings Family, in ICU on a ventilator at URM

- **Jan Klapetzky**, friend of Tom & Nancy Hammond, lung cancer
- **Michael Wangemann**, friend of Diane Van Auken, receiving palliative care
- **Dan Behnfeldt**, hospitalized
- **Lou Iovoli**, friend of Al Crouse & John Gerlach, battling bladder cancer

Thanksgiving:

- Prayers of gratitude for the healthy birth of **Bryson Robert Somphith** on October 14th, great-nephew of Valerie Ruoff
- For the Baptism of **Violet Wood**, daughter of Chris & Tori Wood, granddaughter of Mark & Liz Wood
- For the Baptism of **Alan Fernaays**

***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.**

***WE ARE SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

***SENDING SONG**

ROCK OF AGES

Rita Baloché

Verse

**There is no rock,
there is no god like our God;
no other name worthy of all our praise.
The Rock of salvation that cannot be moved,
He's proven Himself to be faithful and true.
There is no rock, There is no god like ours.
(Repeat Verse)**

Chorus
**Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.
Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.
Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.
There is no rock, There is no god like ours.**

(Verse)
(Chorus Twice)

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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTSERVICE MUSIC *Take My Life*

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

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Acolyte/Crucifer: **TBA**
Greeters: **TBA**
Lay Reader: **TBA**
Live Stream: McKayla Nolan
Sound: Michael Balentine
Ushers: Mari-Beth Schembri, Kathy McCarthy, Bill & Marguerite
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Volunteers for November 2

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