

Reformation Sunday



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
October 30, 2011



ORDER OF WORSHIP BASED ON THE SIX CHIEF PARTS OF LUTHER'S CATECHISM

The Congregation is invited to read the portions printed in bold, capitalized letters.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Thy Strong Word
John A. Behnke

Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice
Johann Pachelbell

A Mighty Fortress
Jonathan Reuss

A Mighty Fortress / Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

Performed by the Grace Brass Ensemble

PLEASE STAND FOR THE SINGING OF THE OPENING HYMN

HYMN 201

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, A trust - y shield and
2. With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our loss ef -
3. Though dev - ils all the world should fill, All ea - ger to de -
4. The Word they still shall let re - main, Nor an - y thanks have



weap - on; He helps us free from ev - 'ry need That
fect - ed. But for us fights the val - iant one Whom
vour us, We trem - ble not, we fear no ill; They
for it; He's by our side up - on the plain With



has us now o'er - tak - en. The old e - vil foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask, "Who is this?"
shall not o - ver - pow'r us. This world's prince may still
his good gifts and Spir - it. And do what they will —



Now means dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
Je - sus Christ it is, The al - might - y Lord.
Scowl fierce as he will, He can harm us none.
Hate, steal, hurt, or kill — Though all may be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his e - qual.
And there's no oth - er God; He holds the field for - ev - er.
He's judged; the deed is done! One lit - tle word can fell him.
Our vic - to - ry is won; The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!



THE MINISTRY OF THE KEYS

What is the use of the keys?

THE USE OF THE KEYS IS THAT SPECIAL POWER AND RIGHT WHICH CHRIST GAVE TO HIS CHURCH ON EARTH: TO FORGIVE THE SINS OF PENITENT SINNERS, BUT TO REFUSE FORGIVENESS TO THE IMPENITENT AS LONG AS THEY DO NOT REPENT.

How does a Christian congregation use the keys?

A CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION WITH ITS CALLED PASTOR USES THE KEYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHRIST'S COMMAND BY FORGIVING THOSE WHO REPENT OF THEIR SIN AND ARE WILLING TO AMEND, AND BY EXCLUDING FROM THE CONGREGATION THOSE WHO ARE PLAINLY IMPENITENT THAT THEY MAY REPENT. I BELIEVE THAT WHEN THIS IS DONE, IT IS AS VALID AND CERTAIN IN HEAVEN ALSO, AS IF CHRIST, OUR DEAR LORD, DEALT WITH US HIMSELF.

HYMN 308 st. 1,3,4,6

"As Surely As I Live, God Said"

1. "As sure - ly as I live," God said, "I would not have the
 3. "All those whose sins you thus re - mit I tru - ly par - don
 4. "What you will bind, that bound shall be; What you will loose, that
 6. When min - is - ters lay on their hands, Ab - solved by Christ the

sin - ner dead, But that he turn from er - ror's ways, Re -
 and ac - quit, And those whose sins you do re - tain Con -
 shall be free; Un - to my Church the keys are giv'n To
 sin - ner stands; He who by grace the Word be - lieves For -

pent, and live through end - less days.
 demned and guilt - y shall re - main.
 op'n and close the gates of heav'n."
 give - ness, sure and sweet, re - ceives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

The First Commandment: *You shall have no other gods. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR, LOVE, AND TRUST IN GOD ABOVE ALL THINGS.

The Second Commandment: *You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT USE HIS NAME TO CURSE, SWEAR, LIE, OR DECEIVE, OR USE WITCHCRAFT, BUT CALL UPON GOD'S NAME IN EVERY TROUBLE, PRAY, PRAISE, AND GIVE THANKS.

The Third Commandment: *Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT DESPISE PREACHING AND HIS WORD, BUT REGARD IT AS HOLY AND GLADLY HEAR AND LEARN IT.

The Fourth Commandment: *Honor your father and mother, that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT DISHONOR OR ANGER OUR PARENTS AND OTHERS IN AUTHORITY, BUT HONOR, SERVE AND OBEY THEM, AND GIVE THEM LOVE AND RESPECT.

The Fifth Commandment: *You shall not murder. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT HURT OR HARM OUR NEIGHBOR IN HIS BODY, BUT HELP AND BEFRIEND HIM IN EVERY BODILY NEED.

The Sixth Commandment: *You shall not commit adultery. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE LEAD A PURE AND DECENT LIFE IN WORDS AND ACTIONS, AND THAT HUSBAND AND WIFE LOVE AND HONOR EACH OTHER.

The Seventh Commandment: *You shall not steal. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT TAKE OUR NEIGHBOR'S MONEY OR PROPERTY, OR GET IT BY DISHONEST DEALING, BUT HELP HIM TO IMPROVE AND PROTECT HIS PROPERTY AND BUSINESS.

The Eighth Commandment: *You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT TELL LIES ABOUT OUR NEIGHBOR, BETRAY HIM, OR GIVE HIM A BAD NAME, BUT DEFEND HIM, SPEAK WELL OF HIM, AND TAKE HIS WORDS AND ACTIONS IN THE kindest possible way.

The Ninth Commandment: *You shall not covet your neighbor's house. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT SCHEME TO GET OUR NEIGHBOR'S INHERITANCE OR HOUSE OR OBTAIN IT BY FALSE CLAIMS, BUT DO ALL WE CAN TO HELP HIM KEEP IT.

The Tenth Commandment: *You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, workers, animals, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. What does this mean?*

WE SHOULD FEAR AND LOVE GOD THAT WE DO NOT FORCE OR ENTICE AWAY OUR NEIGHBOR'S SPOUSE, WORKERS, OR ANIMALS, BUT URGE THEM TO STAY AND DO THEIR DUTY.

The Conclusion: *What does God say about all these commandments? He says, "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments." What does this mean?*

GOD THREATENS TO PUNISH ALL WHO TRANSGRESS THESE COMMANDMENTS. THEREFORE WE SHOULD FEAR HIS ANGER AND NOT DISOBEY WHAT HE COMMANDS. BUT HE PROMISES GRACE AND EVERY BLESSING TO ALL WHO KEEP THESE COMMANDMENTS. THEREFORE WE SHOULD LOVE AND TRUST IN HIM AND GLADLY OBEY WHAT HE COMMANDS.

HYMN 286

"The Law Commands and Makes Us Know"



1. The law com-mands and makes us know What du - ties to our God we owe,
2. The law un - cov - ers guilt and sin And shows how vile our hearts have been;
3. What curs - es does the law pro-nounce A - gainst the one who fails but once!
4. My soul, no more at - tempt to draw Your life and com-fort from the law.



But 'tis the gos - pel must re - veal Where lies our strength to do his will.
The gos-pel on - ly can ex - press For - giv - ing love and cleans - ing grace.
But in the gos - pel Christ ap - pears, Par - d'ning the guilt of nu - m'rous years.
Flee to the hope the gos - pel gives; The one who trusts the prom - ise lives.

PLEASE STAND



FIRST ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED

I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

I BELIEVE THAT GOD CREATED ME AND ALL THAT EXISTS, AND THAT HE GAVE ME MY BODY AND SOUL, EYES, EARS AND ALL MY MEMBERS, MY MIND AND ALL MY ABILITIES.

AND I BELIEVE THAT GOD STILL PRESERVES ME BY RICHLY AND DAILY PROVIDING CLOTHING AND SHOES, FOOD AND DRINK, PROPERTY AND HOME, SPOUSE AND CHILDREN, LAND, CATTLE AND ALL I OWN, AND ALL THAT I NEED TO KEEP MY BODY AND LIFE. GOD ALSO PRESERVES ME BY DEFENDING ME AGAINST ALL DANGER, GUARDING AND PROTECTING ME FROM ALL EVIL. ALL THIS GOD DOES ONLY BECAUSE HE IS MY GOOD AND MERCIFUL FATHER IN HEAVEN, AND NOT BECAUSE I HAVE EARNED OR DESERVED IT. FOR ALL THIS I OUGHT TO THANK AND PRAISE, TO SERVE AND OBEY HIM. THIS IS MOST CERTAINLY TRUE.

1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks - giv - ing To
2. His law he en - forc - es; The stars in their cours - es And

God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise, Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro -
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine. The hills and the moun - tains, The

tect - ed and stayed us, Who still guides us on to the end of our
riv - ers and foun - tains, The deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di -

days. God's ban - ners are o'er us; His light goes be - fore us, A
vine. We, too, should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing. With

pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night, Till shad - ows have van - ished And
glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise Till all things now liv - ing U -

dark - ness is ban - ished, As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"



SECOND ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 THAT JESUS CHRIST, TRUE GOD, BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER FROM ETERNITY, AND ALSO TRUE MAN, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY, IS MY LORD.

HE HAS REDEEMED ME, A LOST AND CONDEMNED CREATURE, PURCHASED AND WON ME FROM ALL SINS, FROM DEATH, AND FROM THE POWER OF THE DEVIL, NOT WITH GOLD OR SILVER BUT WITH HIS HOLY PRECIOUS BLOOD AND WITH HIS INNOCENT SUFFERING AND DEATH.

ALL THIS HE DID THAT I SHOULD BE HIS OWN, AND LIVE UNDER HIM IN HIS KINGDOM, AND SERVE HIM IN EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS, INNOCENCE, AND BLESSEDNESS, JUST AS HE HAS RISEN FROM DEATH AND LIVES AND RULES ETERNALLY. THIS IS MOST CERTAINLY TRUE.

HYMN 752 (CWS)

"In Christ Alone"



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my
2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh, Full - ness of God in help - less
3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in



song; This cor - ner - stone this sol - id ground, Firm through the
 babe. This gift of love and right - eous - ness, Scorned by the
 slain; Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day Up from the
 me; From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com -



fier - est drought and storm.____ What heights of love, what depths of
 ones he came to save.____ Till on that cross, as Je - sus
 grave he rose a - gain!____ And as he stands in vic - to -
 mands my des - tin - y.____ No pow'r of hell, no scheme of



peace, When fears are stilled, when stri - vings cease! My Com - for - ter, my all in
 died, The wrath of God was sa - tis - fied; For ev - 'ry sin on him was
 ry, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am his and he is
 man Can ev - er pluck me from his hand; Till he re - turns or calls me



all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.
 mine Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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PLEASE STAND

THIRD ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED



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.

I BELIEVE THAT I CANNOT BY MY OWN THINKING OR CHOOSING BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, MY LORD, OR COME TO HIM.

BUT THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS CALLED ME BY THE GOSPEL, ENLIGHTENED ME WITH HIS GIFTS, SANCTIFIED AND KEPT ME IN THE TRUE FAITH. IN THE SAME WAY HE CALLS, GATHERS, ENLIGHTENS, AND SANCTIFIES THE WHOLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH ON EARTH, AND KEEPS IT WITH JESUS CHRIST IN THE ONE TRUE FAITH.

IN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH HE DAILY AND FULLY FORGIVES ALL SINS TO ME AND ALL BELIEVERS. ON THE LAST DAY HE WILL RAISE ME AND ALL THE DEAD AND GIVE ETERNAL LIFE TO ME AND ALL BELIEVERS IN CHRIST. THIS IS MOST CERTAINLY TRUE.

PLEASE BE SEATED

CHOIR

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would seek to overthrow your Son
And to destroy what he has done.

Lord Jesus Christ, your pow’r make known,
For you are Lord of lords alone;
Defend your Christendom that we
May sing your praise eternally

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. Amen.

BAPTISM



What is Baptism? **BAPTISM IS NOT JUST PLAIN WATER, BUT IT IS WATER USED BY GOD’S COMMAND AND CONNECTED WITH GOD’S WORD.**

What is that word of God? Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

What does Baptism do for us? **BAPTISM WORKS FORGIVENESS OF SIN, DELIVERS FROM DEATH AND THE DEVIL, AND GIVES ETERNAL SALVATION TO ALL WHO BELIEVE THIS, AS THE WORDS AND PROMISES OF GOD DECLARE.**

What are these words and promises of God? Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark, “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.”

How can water do such great things? **IT IS CERTAINLY NOT THE WATER THAT DOES SUCH THINGS, BUT GOD’S WORD WHICH IS IN AND WITH THE WATER, AND FAITH WHICH TRUSTS THIS WORD USED WITH THE WATER. FOR WITHOUT GOD’S WORD THE WATER IS JUST PLAIN WATER AND NOT BAPTISM. BUT WITH THIS WORD IT IS BAPTISM, THAT IS, A GRACIOUS WATER OF LIFE AND A WASHING OF REBIRTH BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

Where is this written? St. Paul says in Titus, chapter 3, “God saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.”

What does baptizing with water mean? **BAPTISM MEANS THAT THE OLD ADAM IN US SHOULD BE DROWNED BY DAILY CONTRITION AND REPENTANCE, AND THAT ALL ITS EVIL DEEDS AND DESIRES BE PUT TO DEATH. IT ALSO MEANS THAT A NEW PERSON SHOULD DAILY ARISE TO LIVE BEFORE GOD IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PURITY FOREVER.**

Where is this written? St. Paul says in Romans, chapter 6, "We were buried with Christ through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."

HYMN 297

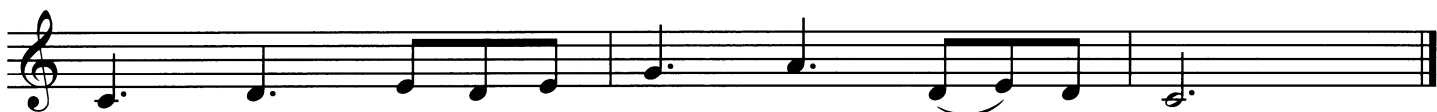
"Baptized in Water"



1. Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Cleansed by the
2. Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Dead in the
3. Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Marked with the



blood of Christ our King: Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our King: One with his ris - ing, Freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King: Born of one Fa - ther, We are his



prom - ise, Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

OFFERING

Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest today, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the pew and pass it along. Thank you!

PRAYER



The Address: **OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN,**

With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that we may pray to Him as boldly and confidently as dear children ask their dear father.

The First Petition: **HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME,**

God's name is certainly holy by itself, but we pray in this petition that we too may keep it holy. God's name is kept holy when His Word is taught in its truth and purity and we as children of God lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But whoever teaches and lives contrary to God's Word dishonors God's name among us. Keep us from doing this, dear Father in heaven!

The Second Petition: YOUR KINGDOM COME,

God's kingdom certainly comes by itself even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may also come to us. God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead a godly life now on earth and forever in heaven.

The Third Petition: YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IN HEAVEN.

God's good and gracious will certainly is done without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. God's will is done when He breaks and defeats every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful flesh, which try to prevent us from keeping God's name holy and letting His kingdom come. And God's will is done when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and in the faith as long as we live. This is His good and gracious will.

The Fourth Petition: GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD.

God surely gives daily bread without our asking, even to all the wicked, but we pray in this petition that He would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. Daily bread includes everything that we need for our bodily welfare, such as food and drink, clothing and shoes, house and home, land and cattle, money and goods, a godly spouse, godly children, godly workers, godly and faithful leaders, good government, good weather, peace and order, health, a good name, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

The Fifth Petition: FORGIVE US OUR SINS, AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US.

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins or because of them deny our prayers; for we are worthy of none of the things for which we ask, neither have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace; for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will forgive from the heart and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

The Sixth Petition: LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION.

God surely tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us, so that the devil, the world, and our flesh may not deceive us or lead us into false belief, despair and other great and shameful sins; and though we are tempted by them, we pray that we may overcome and win the victory.

The Seventh Petition: BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.

In conclusion, we pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would deliver us from every evil that threatens body and soul, property and reputation, and finally when our last hour comes, grant us a blessed end and graciously take us from this world of sorrow to himself in heaven.

The Doxology: FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER, AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.

We can be sure that these petitions are acceptable to our Father in heaven and are heard by Him, for He Himself has commanded us so to pray and has promised to hear us. Therefore we say, "Amen. Yes, it shall be so."

CONFESSION

What is Confession?



CONFESSION HAS TWO PARTS. THE ONE IS THAT WE CONFESS OUR SINS; THE OTHER, THAT WE RECEIVE ABSOLUTION OR FORGIVENESS FROM THE PASTOR AS FROM GOD HIMSELF, NOT DOUBTING BUT FIRMLY BELIEVING THAT OUR SINS ARE THUS FORGIVEN BEFORE GOD IN HEAVEN.

What sins should we confess?

BEFORE GOD WE SHOULD PLEAD GUILTY OF ALL SINS, EVEN THOSE WE ARE NOT AWARE OF, AS WE DO IN THE LORD'S PRAYER. BUT BEFORE THE PASTOR WE SHOULD CONFESS ONLY THOSE SINS WHICH WE KNOW AND FEEL IN OUR HEARTS.

PLEASE STAND

LUTHER'S CHRISTIAN QUESTIONS – Selected



Do you believe that you are a sinner?

YES, I BELIEVE THAT I AM A SINNER.

Are you sorry for your sins?

YES, I AM SORRY THAT I HAVE SINNED AGAINST GOD.

In whom, then, do you trust?

I TRUST IN MY DEAR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him?

HE DIED FOR ME AND SHED HIS BLOOD FOR ME ON THE CROSS FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

Do you believe that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?

YES, I BELIEVE IT.

What moves you to believe this?

I AM MOVED TO BELIEVE THIS BY THE WORDS OF CHRIST, "TAKE, AND EAT. THIS IS MY BODY...DRINK FROM IT, ALL OF YOU; THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT."

What admonishes and moves you to receive Holy Communion frequently?

THE COMMAND AND THE PROMISE OF CHRIST MY LORD ADMONISHES AND MOVES ME. ALSO, THE BURDEN OF SIN WHICH LIES HEAVY UPON ME CAUSES ME TO FEEL A HUNGER AND THIRST FOR HOLY COMMUNION.

Why do you want to receive this Sacrament?

I WANT TO DO THIS TO RECEIVE THE ASSURANCE THROUGH HOLY COMMUNION THAT MY SINS ARE FORGIVEN AND THAT SALVATION IS MINE.

How will the pastor assure a penitent sinner of his forgiveness? He will say, "According to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

PLEASE BE SEATED

HOLY COMMUNION



What is the sacrament of Holy Communion?

IT IS THE TRUE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST UNDER THE BREAD AND WINE, INSTITUTED BY CHRIST FOR US CHRISTIANS TO EAT AND TO DRINK.

What blessing do we receive through this eating and drinking?

THAT IS SHOWN US BY THESE WORDS, "GIVEN" AND "POURED OUT FOR YOU FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS." THROUGH THESE WORDS WE RECEIVE FORGIVENESS OF SINS, LIFE, AND SALVATION IN THIS SACRAMENT. FOR WHERE THERE IS FORGIVENESS OF SINS, THERE IS ALSO LIFE AND SALVATION.

How can eating and drinking do such great things?

IT IS CERTAINLY NOT THE EATING AND DRINKING THAT DOES SUCH THINGS, BUT THE WORDS "GIVEN" AND "POURED OUT FOR YOU FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS." THESE WORDS ARE THE MAIN THING IN THIS SACRAMENT, ALONG WITH THE EATING AND DRINKING. AND WHOEVER BELIEVES THESE WORDS HAS WHAT THEY PLAINLY SAY, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

Who, then, is properly prepared to receive this sacrament?

FASTING AND OTHER OUTWARD PREPARATIONS MAY SERVE A GOOD PURPOSE, BUT HE IS PROPERLY PREPARED WHO BELIEVES THESE WORDS, "GIVEN" AND "POURED OUT FOR YOU FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS." BUT WHOEVER DOES NOT BELIEVE THESE WORDS OR DOUBTS THEM IS NOT PREPARED, BECAUSE THE WORDS "FOR YOU" REQUIRE NOTHING BUT HEARTS THAT BELIEVE.

HYMN 317

"O Lord, We Praise You"



1. O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you,
2. Your ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
3. May God be - stow on us his grace and fa - vor

In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore you.
Life to win for us in heav - en.
To please him with our be - hav - ior

Here with your bod - y and your blood you nour - ish
No great - er love than this to you could bind us;
And live to - geth - er here in love and u - nion,

Our weak souls that they may flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy!
May this feast of that re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
Cher - ish - ing our blest com - mu - nion. O Lord, have mer - cy!

May your bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y,
Lord, your love and kind - ness did move you;
Let not your good Spir - it for - sake us;

That our sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And your blood for us plead
Let your sup - per move us to love you. All our debt you have paid;
Grant that heav'n - ly - mind - ded he make us. Give your Church, Lord, to see

In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
Peace with God once more is made, O Lord, have mer - cy!
Days of peace and u - ni - ty. O Lord, have mer - cy!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN 199 ST. 1-3,7 (Tune: 582)

"In Trembling Hands, Lord God, We Hold"

1. In trem - bling hands, Lord God, we hold Our her - it - age, your
2. "In trem - bling hands," — for how could we Re - tain your gift by
3. "In trem - bling hands"— with joy - ous awe, Like Lu - ther, we be -
7. In trem - bling hands,— Lord God, we hold Our her - it - age; now

gift of grace, Your gos - pel, bring - ing wealth un - told: All
our own pow'r? The pearl of price - less worth would be Soon
hold your Son: For us he kept your ho - ly law, In
give us hands That glad - ly share your heav'n - ly gold With

bles - ings here, in heav'n a place.
lost — at - tend us ev - 'ry hour!
dy - ing full sal - - - va - tion won.
need - y souls in man - y lands!

POSTLUDE

Salvation Unto Us Has Come

Stephen P. Johnson

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Organist Mark Davidson, Milwaukee, WI
Choir Director Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Brass Ensemble Director Missy Wiechmann (10:00 AM)
Trumpets Tyler Koehler, Carl Buchholz (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Amy Breiling (10:00 AM)



Area Reformation Service October 30 3:00 pm



The Area Reformation Service of the Tucson WELS churches will be held at Grace **this afternoon at 3:00 PM**. Our Reformation preacher is retired pastor Silas Krueger, who formerly served Redeemer Lutheran Church in Tucson and now lives in Carlsbad, CA. Our guest organist is Mark Davidson from Milwaukee, WI.

This is a great opportunity to celebrate the unity that we have in Christ and his Word with our sister congregations in Tucson. If you are a guest today we hope you will join us this afternoon for this special service!



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To Aid You in Worship...

- LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX. ASK A GREETER OR USHER FOR A COPY.
- *For those with young children:* A private Mother's Room is located across the courtyard in the Ladies' Restroom. Parents of young children may also use the Child Care Room in the basement at any time to quiet and care for them (the service can be heard in both locations).
- Sermon copies & service CDs are available in the narthex.

Welcome to Grace!

Our mission at Grace is to teach the inspired and inerrant Word of God, to proclaim that Jesus Christ is the crucified and risen Savior of the world and to nurture believers for lives of Christian service.

Altar flowers have been given by Greg & Karen Grorud to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy & August Lehet.

Thank You

A special thank you to Mark Davidson, our guest organist from Milwaukee, WI. He will also be playing for the 3:00 PM Reformation service today.

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

Daniel 7:9, 10
Romans 2:2-11
Matthew 25:31-46

Next Sun. Sermon Text & Theme:

Matthew 25:31-46
The Kingdom of Heaven is Yours!

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship following 10:00 AM worship today hosted by Audrey & Rick Street. Please join us in the courtyard.

Fall Work Day



Grace will be having a Fall Work Day this Saturday, November 5 starting at 7:00 AM. All are invited. There will be outside projects directed by our Trustee, Dave Breitreitz. There will also be projects inside our buildings coordinated by Teresa Travis, Grace's Indoor Custodian. If you have any questions call Dave Breitreitz at 298-9758.

Grace Vail Meeting

Pastor Rieke will hold an informational Grace Vail meeting at the home of Tony & Shirley Zanotti (7847 E. Jack Oak Road) Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 PM. Members of the Launch Team & Core Group and anyone else interested are encouraged to attend.

Christian Fellowship Group Potluck

Christian Fellowship will meet Saturday, November 12, for a noon potluck in the church Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to pass. *The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.*

Quarterly Offering Statements Available

Those who use the offering envelopes for their giving to the Lord will find a quarterly offering statement envelope with their name on it on the table in the courtyard. Please pick yours up today. *We would ask that you not pick up anyone's envelope but your own.* Our computer software makes it very easy to generate these statements for you on a quarterly basis. We hope you'll appreciate the opportunity to check for any recording errors we may have made and perhaps use it to review your gifts of love to your Savior.

Today **REFORMATION SUNDAY**

- Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
- Children's Sunday School 8:45a
- Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
- Adult Bible Classes:
 - *The Life of Christ: The Child Jesus* 9:00a
 - *Grow in Grace Class* (Conference Room in Office) 9:00a
- Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
- Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship.....
- Vail Canvassing Workshop in Fellowship Hall 11:11a
- Area Reformation Service at Grace** 3:00p
- NO** WELS Tucson Campus Ministry

Monday

- Financial Peace University in Vail 12:00p
- English as a Second Language Classes..... 6:30p

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Wednesday

- Grace Extension Meeting 9:00a
- Midweek Bible Class: *Church History* 10:00a
- Wind Ensemble 5:30p
- Handbells Practice in the Church Basement 5:30p
- Midweek Bible Class: *Church History* 6:45p
- Bible Study in Vail: *Prepared to Answer* 7:00p

Thursday

- Women's Bible Study: *Prayer* 9:00a
- Financial Peace University at Grace 6:30p
- Boy & Girl Pioneers**..... 6:30p
- NO** Worship Choir

Saturday

- Grace Work Day** 7:00a
- Vail Canvassing Blitz in Rita Ranch** 9:00a-12:00p

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Zanotti Christmas Party

Members of Grace are invited to the home of Shirley & Tony Zanotti (7847 E. Jack Oak Road) Saturday, December 3 at 5:30 PM for a Christmas party. Food and drinks will be provided. Please RSVP by November 27 to the Zanottis at 722-7036.

Support the Lifeliners

The Lifeliners, members of our high school youth group, are selling Entertainment Coupon Books (\$30) and Bible Verse Calendars (\$8 or 2 for \$15). Visit their table in the Courtyard to make your purchase. All proceeds support Lifeliner activities, including travel to the 2012 WELS International Youth Rally.

Canvassing in Vail

Today after the 10:00 AM service Pastor Rieke will hold a Canvassing Workshop in the Fellowship Hall for our upcoming canvassing 'blitz' for Grace-Vail. This workshop will go through our canvassing strategy in Vail, and also show how painless knocking on doors can be. This will be in preparation for our third canvassing 'blitz' in Rita Ranch this Saturday, November 5 @ 9:00AM. We will have at least 5 canvassing blitzes before our first monthly service on December 11. Anybody is welcome to attend, and by attending the Canvassing Workshop you are not committing to anything. But following the workshop Pastor Rieke will look for commitments for the November 5 blitz. This is a great way to serve and have some fun at the same time, hopefully many can make it. Listed below are more of the upcoming workshops and blitzes:

Canvassing Workshop	Canvassing Blitz
Today, October 30 @ 11:11AM	Saturday, November 5 @ 9:00AM
Sunday, November 13 @ 11:11AM	Saturday, November 19 @ 9:00AM
Sunday, November 27 @ 11:11AM	Saturday, December 3 @ 9:00AM

WHEN AND WHY WAS THE CATECHISM WRITTEN?

"The deplorable conditions I recently encountered when I was a visitor constrained me to prepare this brief and simple catechism or statement of teaching, and for pastors incompetent and unfit for teaching." Martin Luther wrote those words because of what he saw and heard on his congregational visits in Saxony during late 1528 and early 1529.

In 1529 he wrote the Small Catechism for the people and the Large Catechism for the pastors. For the most part, the Catechism has remained unchanged since that time.

Luther's use of the Catechism: *"Yet I do as a child who is being taught the Catechism. Every morning, and whenever else I have time, I read and recite word for word the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, the Creed, etc. I still must read and study the Catechism daily..."*



"Grace and peace from the Lord. As you desire to know whether my painted seal, which you sent to me, has hit the mark, I shall answer most amiably and tell you my original thoughts and reason about why my seal is a symbol of my theology. The first should be a black cross in a heart, which retains its natural color, so that I myself would be reminded that faith in the Crucified saves us. 'For one who believes from the heart will be justified' (Rom. 10:10). Although it is indeed a black cross, which mortifies and which should also cause pain, it leaves the heart in its natural color. It does not corrupt nature, that is, it does not kill but keeps alive. 'The just shall live by faith' (Rom. 1:17) but by faith in the crucified. Such a heart should stand in the middle of a white rose, to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace. In other words, it places the believer into a white, joyous rose, for this faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). That is why the rose should be white and not red, for white is the color of the spirits and the angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). Such a rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that such joy in spirit and faith is a beginning of the heavenly future joy, which begins already, but is grasped in hope, not yet revealed. And around this field is a golden ring, symbolizing that such blessedness in Heaven lasts forever and has no end. Such blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and goods, just as gold is the most valuable, most precious and best metal. This is my *compendium theologiae* [summary of theology]. I have wanted to show it to you in good friendship, hoping for your appreciation. May Christ, our beloved Lord, be with your spirit until the life hereafter. Amen."

Martin Luther, Letter to Lazarus Spengler, July 8, 1530