Sunday Worship October 31, 2021



Reformation Day

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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 lifetransforming 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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Built on the Rock Arr. Manz

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God our comforter:

C: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #504

A Mighty Fortress

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

- P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: 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.
- P: Let us pray . . .
- C: 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.

CHOIR ANTHEM God Alone Be Praised Director: Susie Gray

Composer: Highben

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

P: ³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It 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.

³³But 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. ³⁴No 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.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

P: ¹⁹Now 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. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom 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; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

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

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **John 8:31-36**

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

P: ³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They 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'?"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Jeff Glawe

HYMN Red hymnal #517

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

right hand of the Father, and he will come again 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 THE CHURCH (Response after each petition)

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer . . .

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

OFFERING—INVITATION—God's Work Continues

OFFERING SONG Red hymnal #674 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

C: Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain: Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

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BLESSING

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #654

The Church's One Foundation

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:

"Serving Christ through serving others."

P: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE A Mighty Fortress Arr. Costello

The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by Susie Gray in memory of Lodema B. Gray.

Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted by using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.

In Helpful Service

Pastor Jeff Glawe

Greeter Jack & Sharon Byrd

Reader Linda Holt

Total Attendance 10/23 & 10/24: 88 Sunday School: \$2.50

OFFERING: Total Unified: \$2.255.00 Adults: 14

Total Building: \$1,745.00 Children: 9

TREASURER'S REPORT: August 2021

Unified Giving: \$26,451.75 Expenses: \$19,442.99

Building Fund Giving: \$ 2,123.05 Mortgage Payment: \$2,500.00

Building Fund Balance: \$24,148.14

If you desire more detailed financial information there are ten copies of the balance sheet and income statement for the month of August 2021, on the table as you leave worship. If you have any questions please bring them to our next Council meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

F.Y.I.

Pastor and Jackie will be gone from November 1st—8th. Pastor Schaefer will be available for pastoral care.

REMINDERS FOR NEXT SATURDAY & SUNDAY

- Food Pantry Collection is the first Sunday of every month. Donations of non-perishable food items can be placed in the green barrel next to the elevator. Needy Baskets picks up the items and distributes the food to those in need in our community.
- Thank Offering will be collected in the back of the church by the Women of Faith. Money will be used to support the Good Samaritan Fund here at Zion which assists those in our community who need help paying rent, utilities, medical, gas etc.
- Turn your clocks back one hour the evening of Saturday, Nov. 6. Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 7.

BELL REHEARSAL on Nov. 4 at 7:00 pm.

CALENDARS

2022 Wall Calendars have arrived. Beautiful sturdy calendars with NIV Bible verses and scenery for \$7.00 each. All proceeds go to the Zion Youth Gathering Fund.

COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Sunday: November 7 & 21 Saturday: November 27

EGG CARTONS are being collected for the Hospice ornament making on Nov. 9th.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: What is Operation Christmas Child?

The Samaritan's Purse project *Operation Christmas Child* collects shoeboxes—filled with school supplies, hygiene items, fun toys and notes of encouragement—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way.

Please pick up a preprinted empty box (or two) and a "What to Pack" brochure located on the table under the youth board. *The deadline to return these boxes is Sunday, Nov. 7. You* may also go online and pay for shipping by credit card at: https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/ If you pay online you must print the labels with the bar scan and place on your boxes.

**Note: if you want to help out but are unable to shop or prefer not to you can also help by making a donation to help with gifts and shipping. Any questions contact Jackie Glawe, 937-478-3318 or christianed@zionlutherantippcity.org

UPCOMING EVENT / Thanksgiving Dinner & Congregational Meeting

We plan to have the dinner and meeting this year on Sunday, November 21 at 5:00 pm.

We have made some changes to promote Covid safe fellowship. There are sign up sheets posted: one to indicate the number of members planning to attend and one for those offering to provide either mashed potatoes or dressing and to assist with serving. The menu will be turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, dressing, green beans, roll, pie, water and coffee. The church will provide the turkey, rolls, and pie. Please bring your own silverware; disposable plates and glassware will be provided. We look forward to gathering together for fellowship and to thank God for the many blessings our congregation has received.

Staff

Pastor Jeff Glawe, *Pastor*; Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; *Choir Directors*; *Bill Jones & Susie Gray*Jackie Glawe, *Christian Education Director*; Linda Short, *Office Manager*; Susan Rambeau, *Treasurer*; Tina Putnam, *Sexton*