

REFORMATION

OCTOBER 27, 2024

PRELUDE

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

C: Amen

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us gather with true hearts that confess our sins to God, that earnestly ask for forgiveness and that trust in our renewal through the work of our Savior Jesus the Christ.

A: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth. [Psalm 124:8]

A: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin. [Psalm 32:5]

A: Almighty God, merciful Father:

C: I confess to you all my sins with which I have offended you and my neighbors. I am sorry for them. I devote myself to repentance and pray for your mercy. In your boundless grace and compassion send me your Holy Spirit that I may be strengthened in my faith and made ready for a life obedient to your will and your way.

P: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of steadfast love. [Exodus 34:6] Therefore, in obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



GREETING

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.

A: You are the treasured people of the Lord,

C: A people holy to the Lord our God.

A: We have seen what our God has done

C: We declare His faithfulness from age to age for all time.

A: We hear and keep His Word,

C: And all that God has spoken we will do.



Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you C: And also with you

P: Let us pray:

C: Father in heaven, with unfaltering faithfulness Your Son, Jesus, assumed our sin in His death upon the cross. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit that we will not trust in our own works to earn our salvation, but believe confidently that it is His faith in your Word that liberates us from sin, and graces us with a place in Your Kingdom. We ask this in His holy name. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

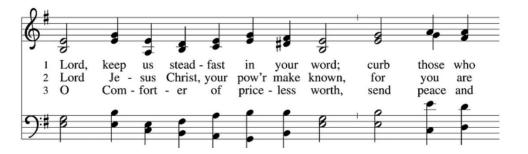
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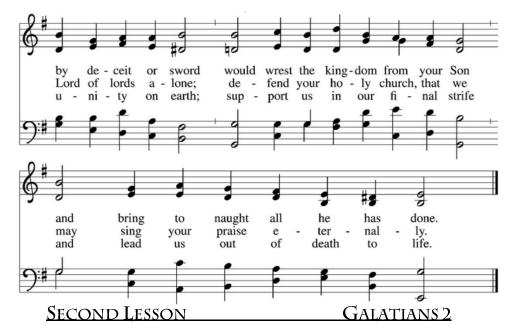
The Righteous Have Life By Faith

I will stand at my watch post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what the Lord will say to me, and what the Lord will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Reader: The Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God

PSALM Hymn 517

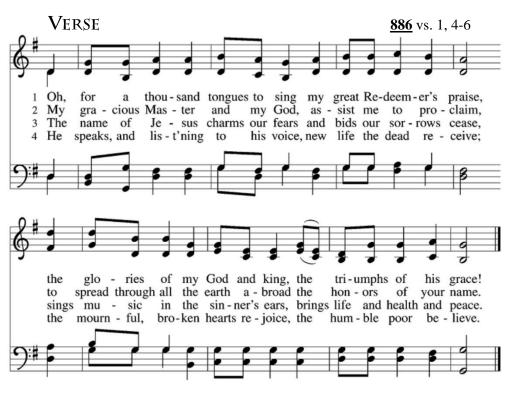




We are not saved by our works, but by Christ

↑ 7e know that no one is made righteous by the works of the law. Instead, we are made righteous through the faith of Jesus Christ! And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus so that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by doing the works of the law - because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But we may wonder whether Christ might be a servant of sin if we are found to be sinners while we are yearning to be justified in Christ. Certainly not! If I am the one "building up" again the very things that I once "tore down" - if I return to sin then I demonstrate that I am the one who is the transgressor. The truth is that I died to the Law through the Law so that I might live in God's eyes. I have been crucified with Christ and it is no longer I who live but, it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me. My sin does not nullify the grace of God! For, if justification comes only through obedience to the Law, then Christ died for nothing.

Reader: The Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God



- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own, O fallen human race! Look and be saved through faith alone, be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 11th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL MARK 11

Pinally, Jesus entered Jerusalem, going into the temple, and having looked around at everything, he left with the Twelve Disciples and went out from Jerusalem a short way to the town of Bethany, because it was already late in the evening and the sun was setting.

The next morning, after the sun rose, Jesus and the Twelve Disciples came back to Jerusalem, coming back into the Temple. When he arrived at the Temple, Jesus began to cast out those who

were selling animals and incense for the sacrifices and those buying these things. Jesus also overturned the tables of currency exchangers who converted public money into Temple tokens for offerings. He also overturned the seats of those who were selling doves for offerings and he would not allow anyone to carry any such things through the temple. He taught, saying, "Is it not written that,

'My house will be called a house of prayer that will summon all the nations'? [Isaiah 56:7]

'But you have made it a cave for bandits.' [Jeremiah 7:11]

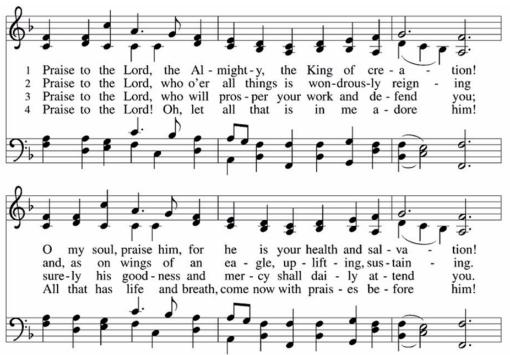
And when the Chief Priests and the Scribes heard it, they looked for a way to make Jesus irrelevant, for they were afraid of him because the whole crowd had their "minds blown" by Jesus' teaching.

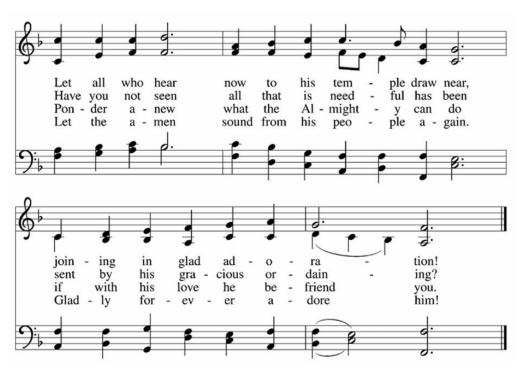
And when evening came, and the sun was setting, Jesus and The Twelve left the city of Jerusalem and went back to the town of Bethany.

P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY





APOSTLES CREED

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 & PASSING OF THE PEACE



OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us Pray

C: Living God, we praise you for the abundant blessings of this life. In humble recognition of the love you always show to us, we bring these gifts and ourselves as our thanks. Use them and us to bear the fruit of goodness and grace so that your glory will be known to all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

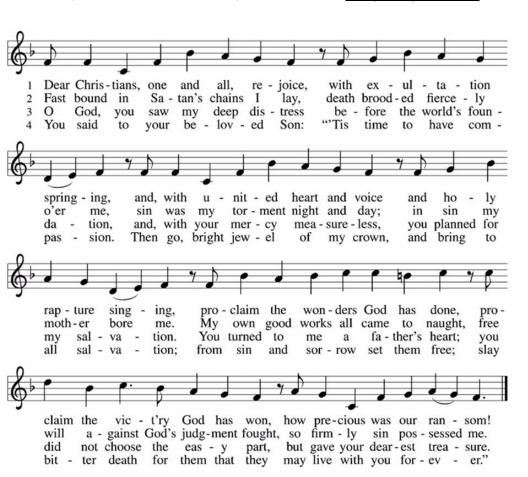


THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

594 (vs 1-4), 370, 820





- 1 Christ Je sus lay in death's strong bands for our of fens es giv en;
- 2 Our Sav-ior Je-sus, God's own Son, here in our stead de-scend-ed;
- 3 Here the true Pas chal Lamb we see, whom God so free ly gave us,
- 4 So let us keep the fes ti val to which the Lord in vites us; 5 Then let us feast this Eas - ter day on Christ the bread of heav-en;



but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heav-en. the knot of sin has been un-done, the claim of death is end-ed. who died on the ac-curs-ed tree—so strong God's love!—to save us. Christ is the ver-y joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us. the Word of grace has purged a - way the old and e - vil leav-en.



There-fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly Christ has crushed the pow'r of hell; now there is naught but death's gray shell—See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it; death pass - es o'er, Now his grace to us im-parts e - ter - nal sun-shine to our hearts; Christ a - lone, our ho - ly meal, the hun-gry soul will feed and heal;







POST COMMUNION PRAYER BENEDICTION RECESSIONAL





DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!



Sunday, October 27

Reformation Sunday Chat with a Council Member after each service

Thrivent hosts fellowship after each service

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Confirmation Classes

9:45 a.m. Post-Confirmation Student Group

Monday, October 28

7:30 p.m. Congregational Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 29

6:30 a.m. Bible Study & Breakfast

11:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – hybrid

4:30 p.m. Confirmation class

7:00 p.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – online only

Wednesday, October 30

9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group

Sunday, November 3

All Saints Sunday

Chat with a Council Member after each service

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Confirmation Classes

9:45 a.m. Post-Confirmation Student Group

3:00 p.m. Serendipity High School Youth Meeting



Chat With A Member of Council

Grace's Annual Congregation Meeting is just around the corner on Nov 17th at 12:15 (inperson/online) and as part of the lead-up to the meeting our Congregation Council members will be available after each worship service for the coming weeks to answer questions, take comments or even accolades!

