



**October 29, 2023**  
**Reformation Sunday**

***8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service w/Holy Communion***

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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

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Congregation reads **BOLD**

## **Bell**

## **Announcements**

**Prelude:** *If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee*

-arr. Harold R. Vetter

*All who are able are invited to stand*

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, † Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

**Amen.**

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Steadfast and faithful God,

**you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In † Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

**Amen.**

# Gathering Song

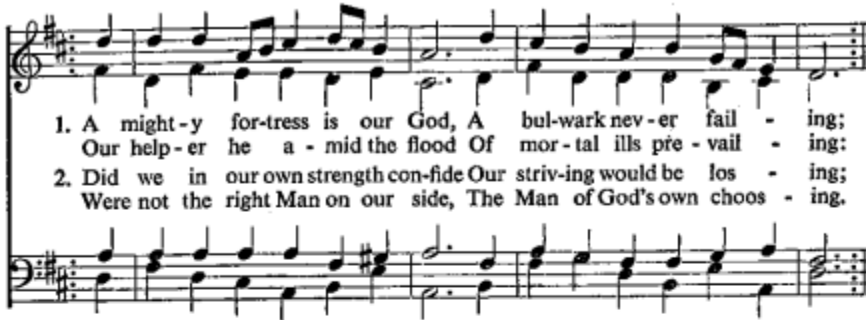
-accompanied by Friendship Ringers, arr. Cathy Moglebust

## A Mighty Fortress is Our God

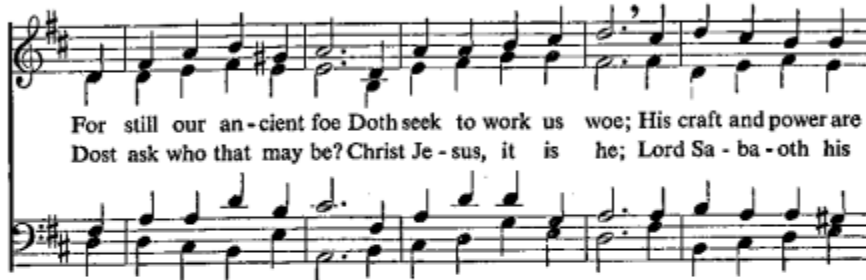
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MARTIN LUTHER, 1483-1546

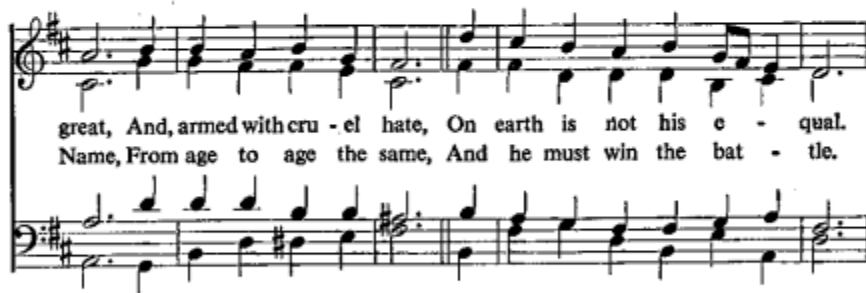
*Broadly, with vigor*



1. A might-y for-tress is our God, A bul-wark nev-er fail - ing;  
Our help-er he a - mid the flood Of mor-tal ills pre - vail - ing;  
2. Did we in our own strength con-fide Our striv-ing would be los - ing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choos - ing.



For still our an-cient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his



great, And, armed with cru - el hate, On earth is not his e - qual.  
Name, From age to age the same, And he must win the bat - tle.

3 And though this world, with devils filled,  
Should threaten to undo us;  
We will not fear, for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us:  
The prince of darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure,  
For lo! his doom is sure,  
One little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers,  
No thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through him who with us sideth:  
Let goods and kindred go,  
This mortal life also;  
The body they may kill:  
God's truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever.

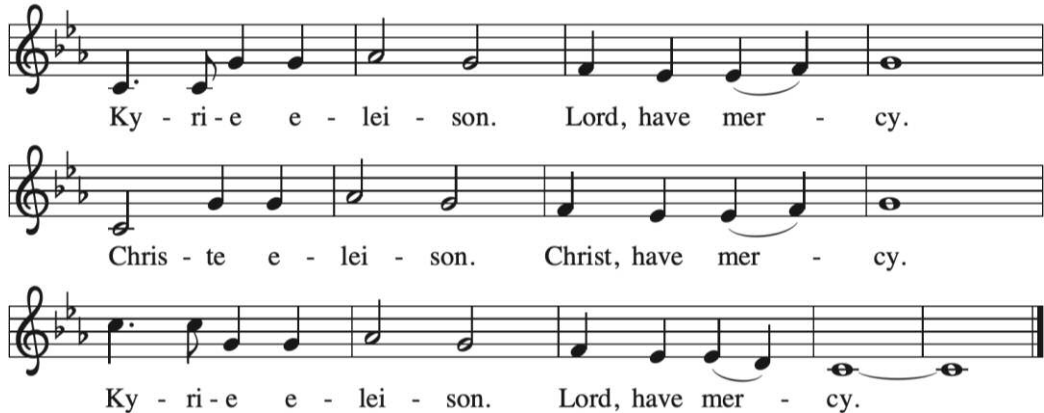
*Martin Luther, 1483-1546*  
*Tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1805-90*  
*Based on Psalm 46*

## Greeting

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.

## Kyrie

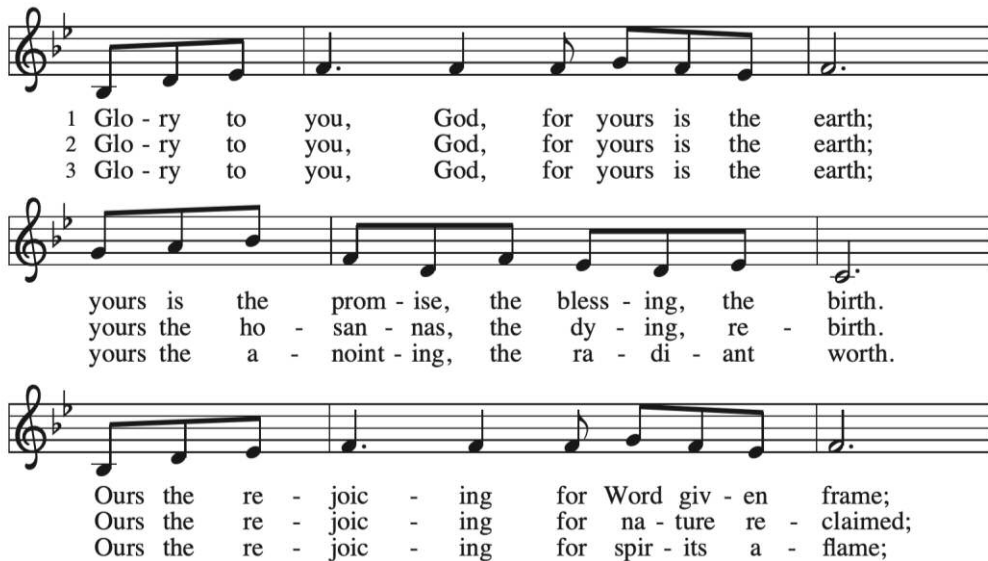


Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## Hymn of Praise



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.  
All may be seated*

### 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.*

<sup>31</sup>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. <sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>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.**

**Psalm: Psalm 46 (read responsively – congregation reads bold)**

*The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. (Ps. 46:7)*

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the break of day.

<sup>6</sup>**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup>**Come now, regard the works of the LORD,  
what desolations God has brought up on the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;  
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup>**“Be still, then, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

<sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**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.*

<sup>19</sup>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. <sup>20</sup>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.

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

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

**Thanks be to God.**

*All who are able are invited to stand*

## Gospel Acclamation



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

*Repeat alleluia*



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

## Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### The Holy Gospel: John 8:31-36

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

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup>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'?"

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

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*All may be seated*

## Children's Sermon

### Sermon

*All who are able are invited to stand*

## Hymn of the Day

### Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

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.  
and sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
and lead us out of death to life.



## **Nicene Creed**

In the words of the Creed, let us confess our faith:

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

God our parent, you call us your children and have made us siblings through your son Jesus. Heal the church's many divisions, bring understanding and peace where there has been contention and strife, and unite us in one body through the love of Christ. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

God our creator, your hands have made the heights of the mountains, the depths of the sea, and the life that animates all creation. Bring relief to areas harmed by wildfires, floods, storms, and human carelessness. Renew the face of the earth. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

God our ruler, the nations rage and the kingdoms shake, but your word stands fast forever. Let your justice and peace roll down like waters wherever there is strife, injustice, war, or religious conflict. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

God our reformer, you make all things new. Free us from complacency, open us to unexpected ways, and kindle zeal in us for the future. We pray for young people affirming their baptism. With them, stir in us a desire for your wisdom. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

God our savior, you made yourself known in the lives of all who have died in the hope of your grace. We give thanks for the witness of reformers like Martin Luther and for all whose example has brought us closer to you. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

God our champion, you are our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble. Draw near to all who suffer *especially Helen, Susan, Gladys, Kim, Vanessa, Dean, Lester, Nat, Lori, Lisa, Kim, Bethany, Jon, Barry, Rumpun, Ted, Donna, Chris, Nancy, Kathy, Herb, Jim, Carolyn, Robin, Shirley, Jenan*. Be their rest and comfort. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *especially Casey, Andrew, Terry, Michael, Althea, Valerie, Madelyn, Brian, Greg, Blake*. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week. May they be bound together by your love, now and forever, *especially Pastor Dody & Jim, Radelle & Greg, Elizabeth & Brian*.  
God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ in neighboring congregations. May your light shine brightly for all, sharing in your love and your peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray especially for Grace, Belfast, and their pastor, Dale Sattizahn. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

**Peace**— *Please share the peace in any manner comfortable to you.*  
The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**Offering:** (8:00) *Panis Angelicus* -Cesar Franck, Arr. Edward Broughton  
(10:30) *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* -setting by Donald Busarow

*All who are able are invited to stand*

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself, and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee.

## Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. God of power, God of plenty,  
**all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us  
 into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.  
 All may be seated*

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also 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.**

### **Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

*Please be seated*

### Communion



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, grant us peace.

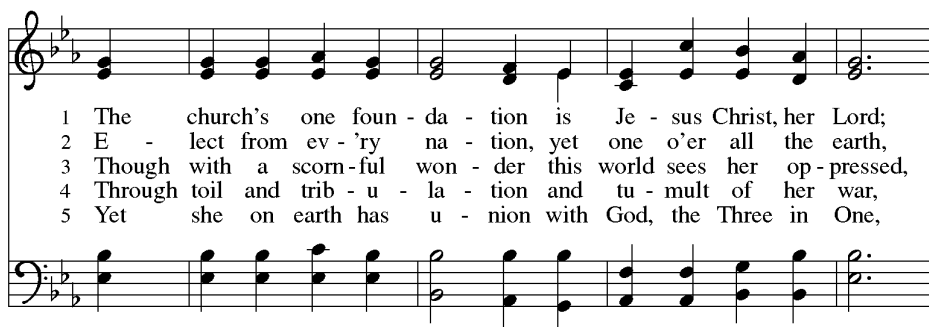
As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:

**The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.**

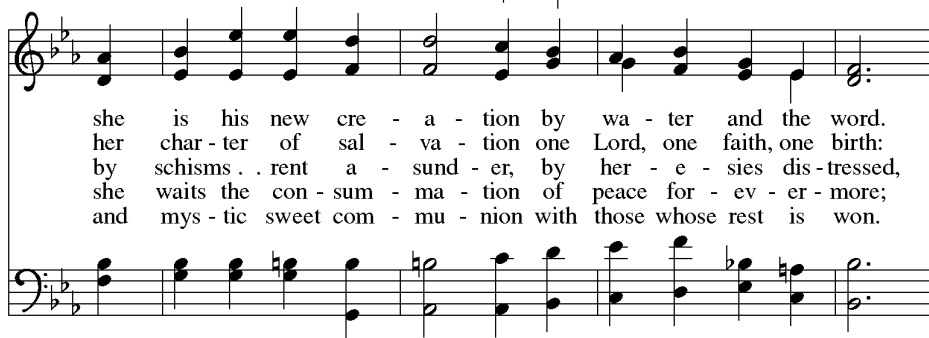
The communicant may say: **Amen**

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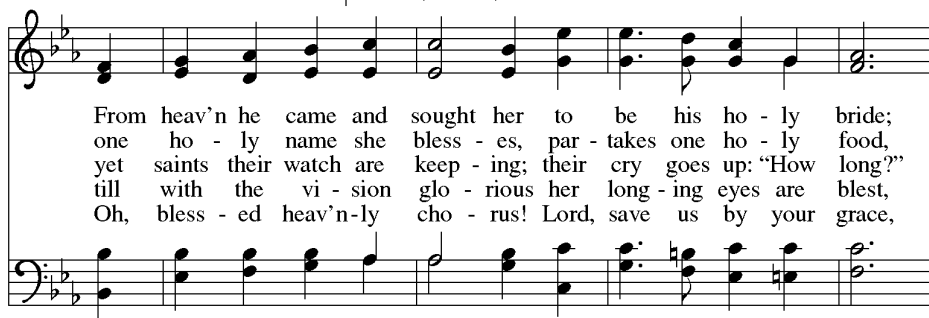
# The Church's One Foundation



1 The church's one founda - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900  
 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876



# By Grace We Have Been Saved

*Refrain*

By grace we have been saved— saved by grace through faith,

not be-cause of what we do; it is the gift of God.

1 On the days when you are weak, on the

2 Rest your bod - y, rest your mind, in the

3 You don't need to be a - fraid. You will

days when you are strong, rich or poor,

still - ness you will find you're a love - ly,

nev - er be a - lone. There is mer - cy,

*Refrain*  
young or old, just lis - ten to the song.

pre - cious child, part of the great de - sign.

there is hope, and love will take you home.

Text: Jonathan Rundman, b. 1971

Music: BY GRACE, Nathan Houge, b. 1977, and Jonathan Rundman

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*All who are able, please stand*

*After all have returned to their places:*

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

## Canticle

### Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



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, O God, and lead us forth in



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

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948

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## Prayer After Communion

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Blessing

The God of glory, ✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

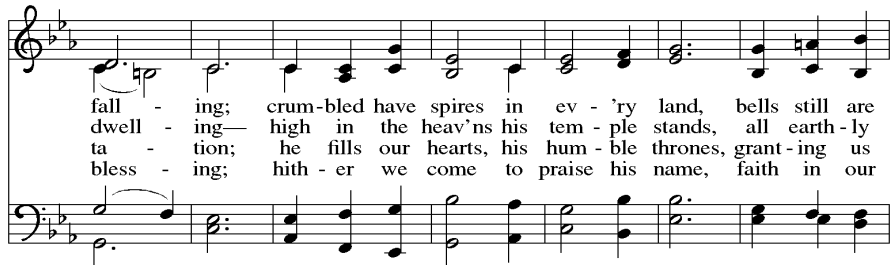
**Amen.**

# Closing Hymn

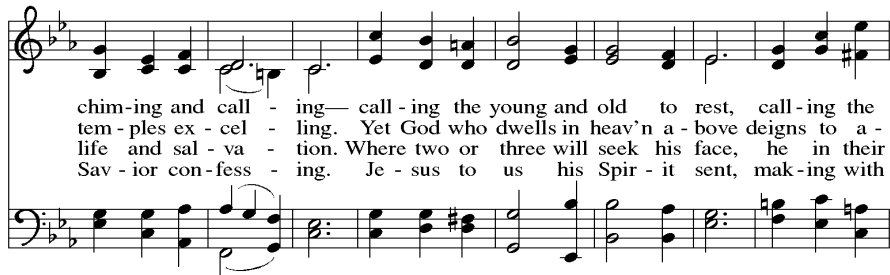
## Built on a Rock



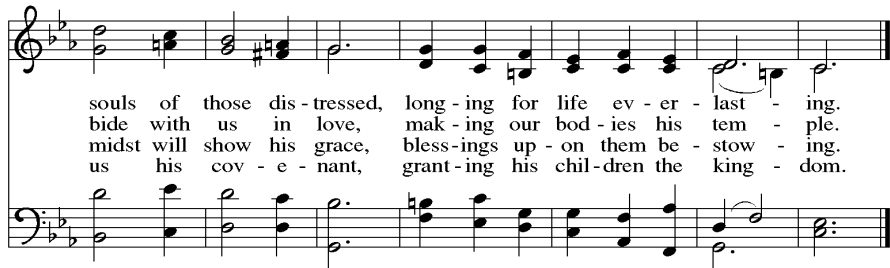
1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are  
2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not  
3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -  
4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are  
dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly  
ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us  
bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our



chim - ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the  
tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -  
life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their  
Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.  
bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.  
midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.  
us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.

- 5 Through all the passing years, O Lord,  
grant that, when church bells are ringing,  
many may come to hear your Word,  
who here this promise is bringing:  
"I know my own, my own know me;  
you, not the world, my face shall see;  
my peace I leave with you. Amen."

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt.  
Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMELT HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887  
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## Dismissal

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

**Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude:** *Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott*

-Johann Pachelbel

**The Lord's Table** at Jordan Church is an open table. If you are a baptized Christian of any church, believe in the Lord's presence in the sacrament and have received the sacrament before, you are welcome to receive with us. If you are not able to receive, please come forward for a pastoral blessing. To come forward, simply follow the direction of the ushers.

**Distribution method** is noted in the order for worship.

**ALTAR DISTRIBUTION:** As you come forward, please take an empty cup with you to the altar rail. If you choose not to consume wine, grape juice is available. Come to the altar rail without a glass and a communion assistant will offer you the grape juice in a pre-filled glass.

**INTINCTION DISTRIBUTION:** Come forward and receive a wafer. Then dip it into either the wine (the cup in the center of the bread plate) or the grape juice (in the separate cup held by the second assistant). If you want additional time at the altar, please step to center of the altar rail out of the flow of other worshippers. You are invited to kneel if you wish.

**Gluten-free wafers** are available – please indicate your need to the communion assistant.

You are asked to fill out **communion cards** clearly and completely, one card per person. Visitors are asked to fill out the address of their home church (if you identify with one) so we may forward the card there. Take a moment also before leaving to sign our guest book, located in the entrance area.

If it is necessary to **leave the sanctuary** during worship, please refrain, if possible, from doing so during the reading of scripture or the Eucharistic prayers so as not to distract other worshippers.

**Restrooms** are located through the left side doors of the chancel; then left through the french doors; restrooms located in the foyer on the right.

The use of **electronic devices** during worship is discouraged. Please turn off cell phones or set to vibrate before the start of the service.

**Hearing assistance** is available for members and visitors to Jordan. Please see an usher to arrange to use a receiver.

A Koala Bear **baby changing station** is located in the handicapped restroom across from the church offices (in the new section). Children's welcome bags and bulletins are located in the narthex. Please ask ushers for help.

**Children in grade 9 and younger** are asked to remain in the Memory Room when consuming refreshments during the fellowship hours.

**Please be sensitive** to the fact that many people are allergic to or bothered by **strong scents** (perfume, aftershave, etc.), particularly when many people are gathered closely together, as for **worship services**.

**For Parents of young children:** We are grateful that God has blessed Jordan with so many young children. Worshiping with young children is a special privilege and joy for all of us. We enjoy the sounds of children in our worship. However, if you sense the need for a "calming break" feel free to take him/her to the Memory Room or Nursery (located through the doors on the left side of the altar) where you can continue to hear and be involved in the worship.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Jordan**, please speak with the pastor following the service or call the church office (610-395-5912).

# JELC NEWS for the Week of Oct. 29 - Nov. 4

## THIS WEEK (Oct. 29-Nov. 4)

### **TODAY (29)**

-9:15am, Sunday School & Adult Circle of Faith  
 -9:15am, Chorale  
 -6:30pm, AA Meeting, Social Hall

### **MON (30)**

-6:30pm, Jordanians Bowlers  
 -7:00pm, Boy Scouts

### **TUES (31)**

-5:00pm, Brownies, Social Hall  
 -6:30pm, Music & Worship mtg.  
 -7:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

### **WED (1)**

-9:30am, Staff Meeting  
 -6:15pm, Friendship Ringers  
 -6:30pm, Canon Choir  
 -7:00pm, Badminton, Family Ctr.

### **THU (2) 9am-3pm, Rising Roots Home School**

-7:00pm, PA Dutch Class, Social Hall  
 -7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

### **FRI (3)**

-5:00pm, Junior Gyros  
 -5:00pm, Youth Badminton, Family Ctr.  
 -6:30pm, Confirmation Class at Keneseth Israel  
 -7:00pm, Family Center reserved  
 -9:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

### **SAT (4)**

-9am-2:30pm, Confirmation Retreat  
 -set up Family Center for Basket Social

**Don't forget to take a ticket from the board in the Memory Room and purchase one or more items to help with the ALLENTOWN RESCUE MISSION Brunch on December 2<sup>nd</sup>!!!!**

## **Attendance**

10/15/23  
 8:00-44 10:30-55  
 10/22/23  
 8:00-32 10:30-54

## **Sponsors**

**Altar Flowers** are given in honor of the 14<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Pastor Dody & Jim Siegfried.

## **Pantry Help Needed**

We need help sorting and shelving food donated through the Boy Scout "Scouting for Food" program on **Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**. Join us in the Social Hall beginning at 9:00 am. We'd appreciate any amount of time you can give us!

## *Say a Prayer ☞ Send a Card ☞ Pay a Visit*

**Fellowship Community:** Lillian Semmel, Donald Laudenslager

**Lehigh Commons:** Janet Stettler

**Sacred Heart:** Dale Gogel

**Parkland Manor:** Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

**Heather Glen:** Sonny Laudenslager, Herb & Anna Bieber

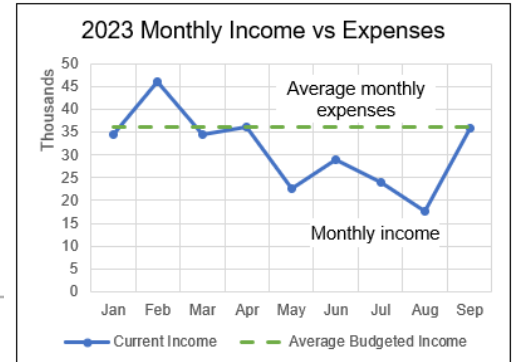
**Home:** Margaret Smith, Reed Klotz

**Please keep these people in your prayers:** Helen Shollenberger, Susan Mancino, Gladys Harkins, Kim Demarest, Vanessa Mace, Dean Shollenberger, Lester Knipe, Nat Hager, Lori Kocher, Lisa Williams, Kim Friend, Bethany Friend, Jon Conrad, Barry Dorney, Rumpun Heller, Ted DuBois, Donna Stark, Chris Heilman, Nancy Troutman, Kathy Attieh, Herb Bieber, Jim Siegfried, Carolyn Flemish, Robin, Shirley Schleicher, Jenan

**Birthdays this week:** Casey Fay, Andrew Heckman, Terry Naugle, Michael Freitag, Althea Hahn, Valerie Berdahl, Madelyn Grim, Brian Seidel, Greg Mikols, Blake Strobl

**Anniversaries this week:** Pr. Dody & Jim Siegfried, Radelle & Greg Psarsky, Elizabeth & Brian Schofield

Average weekly expenses:	
\$8,331	
Weekly collections	
Oct 1	\$5,206
Oct 8	\$5,861
Oct 15	\$3,899
Oct 22	
Oct 29	



## **SPONSORSHIPS**

**Altar Flowers:** Dec. 3, 10, 17, 31; Jan. 7, 14, 28; Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25; Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or \*\$20/1 vase\*; Bulletins for \$20.

**HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS:** Contact Donna Hahn at 610-295-9148 or [dhahn16@gmail.com](mailto:dhahn16@gmail.com) with your choice of dates(s) and sponsorships(s). Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut-ins. If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut-ins.

Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate.

**SPONSORSHIP POLICY:** Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.

## Worship Assistants

DATE	10/29	11/5	11/12	11/19
<b>Altar Guild</b>	8:00-S Wagaman 10:30-L Stettler	8:00-S Wagaman 10:30-L Stettler	8:00-B Albright 10:30-L Stettler	8:00-B Albright 10:30-K Leonard
<b>Lector</b>	8:00-C Dorney 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	
<b>Acolyte</b>	8:00-B Epting 10:30-D Dreisbach	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00-D & C Rabenold 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	
<b>Bell Toller</b>	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-B Stettler	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	
<b>SAT</b>	8:00-J Siegfried 10:30-D Heckman	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	
<b>Video</b>	10:30-	10:30-	10:30-O Wozniak	

Please look at the dates we have no one scheduled and give a call to the name listed below for the area(s) you can help with!

Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels [lj2137@aol.com](mailto:lj2137@aol.com) // Lectors/Julie Boscia [Julie.boscia@gmail.com](mailto:Julie.boscia@gmail.com) // Acolytes/Stephany Heckman [sgarboglio@yahoo.com](mailto:sgarboglio@yahoo.com) // Ushers /John Weremedic [miner70@ptd.net](mailto:miner70@ptd.net) // Bell Toller/Sandie Hamil [hamilsre@gmail.com](mailto:hamilsre@gmail.com) // SAT/Doug Clark [d.clark854@gmail.com](mailto:d.clark854@gmail.com) // Video/Tom Daniels [tkdaniels@ptd.net](mailto:tkdaniels@ptd.net)

If you are looking for a way to offer your time & talent, consider one of the above ways – ALL groups need volunteers!

### **Basket Social – November 5<sup>th</sup> – HELP IS NEEDED TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS!!!**

The Basket Social is in desperate need of help to set-up tables and chairs in the Family Center, Saturday, Nov. 4 from 9 am - noon, and to tear down tables and chairs after the social, Sunday, Nov. 5th from 4 - 6 pm.

Donated baked goods are needed to sell, a whole pie, cake, or individually wrapped packages. Please sign-up in the Memory Room this week.

Drop off donations, Saturday, Nov. 4th, 9 - 11 am or Sunday, Nov. 5th, 9 - 11 am in the Family Center.


Please sign-up in the Memory Room or email Steph Derstine at [jordandff@ptd.net](mailto:jordandff@ptd.net) to assist with these needs.

### **So, what do you think?**


A group at Jordan will be evaluating your interest in developing a casual off -site (or on-site) adult discussion group that could include a multitude of topics: i.e., current events, faith-based conversations, support discussions, life's journeys, etc. Our once-a-month meeting gathering sites could include restaurants, taverns, homes of members, park settings, Jordan property, etc. The beauty of this inquiry is that we are in the initial planning stages, so flexibility and out-of-the-box thinking is encouraged and welcomed. *So, what do you think?* Let us know! Please contact Kathy Leonard with your interest and input: 610.597.4398

### **Did you know that Jordan Delivers!**

Be a part of the travel team that will take one (or more) of the God's Work Our Hands Advent Bag(s) awaiting in our Memory Room and to personally deliver them to one of our shut-ins. In addition to the joy *you* will receive by presenting our isolated members with a bag of Advent treasures, you will have an opportunity to spread the message of Christian love during this Christmas season! Each bag includes the name, address and phone number of the shut-in and will be available for pick-up in the Memory Room beginning on November 12th. Indeed!! **Jordan Delivers in so many ways!** Any questions? Contact Shirley Schleicher at 610.533.6191



### All Saints Remembrance ~ Sunday, November 5, 2023



If there is someone you would like to include in the prayers (a friend, relative, etc.) who is not a member of Jordan and has died since October 31, 2022 please fill out this slip and place it in the offering plate, or contact the church office (610-395-5912 or [jordanlutheran@ptd.net](mailto:jordanlutheran@ptd.net)) with their name and date of death.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Person to be remembered \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Death (11/1/22 - 10/31/23) \_\_\_\_\_

*Jordan Members who have died will automatically be included.*