LUTHERAN CHAPEL



ROMANS 3:10-26 AND JOHN 8:31-36

"THE ON-GOING REFORMATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH"

"No perfect church, denominationalism rampant, how is the Christian Church anything but a failure? Yet reformation continues by the Word of God, by the truth of Jesus we persevere until the Last Day."

> HOLY COMMUNION ~ Reformation Sunday OCTOBER 27, 2024

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LUTHERAN CHAPEL SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION **REFORMATION SUNDAY**

BOLD indicates congregational responses -* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

GATHER

"March in G"

WELCOME AND PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- 1. You shall have no other gods.
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
- 4. Honor your father and mother.
- 5. You shall not murder.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God.

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His

1 John 1:8-9

Exodus 20:1-17

Mark 12:28-31

John S. Dixon

Matthew 28:19b

authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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***THE APOSTOLIC 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.

*THE KYRIE Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy. Christe eleison: Christ, have mercy. Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy.	Mark 10:47
*GLORY TO GOD	Luke 2:14, John 1:29
Refrain:	
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;	
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.	
Verse 1:	
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,	
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.	Refrain
Verse 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
Verse 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

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(In Unison)

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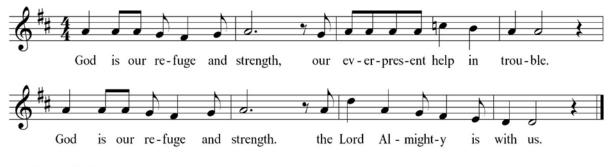
MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE

All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.

FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 31:7-9 pg. 723

2 Corinthians 13:13



Text: Psalm 46: 1-3, 7 adapted by Mark Patterson Music: Mark Patterson © 2009 Augsburg Fortress

> 1. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth gives way and the waters roar and the mountains fall into the sea.

Refrain (two times)

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

ROMANS 3:10-26

¹⁰as it is written:

"There is no one who is righteous, not even one;

¹¹there is no one who has understanding, there is no one who seeks God.

¹²All have turned aside, together they have become worthless;

there is no one who shows kindness, there is not even one."

¹³"Their throats are opened graves;

they use their tongues to deceive."

"The venom of vipers is under their lips."

¹⁴"Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness."

¹⁵"Their feet are swift to shed blood;

¹⁶ruin and misery are in their paths,

¹⁷and the way of peace they have not known."

¹⁸"There is no fear of God before their eyes."

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.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. <u>The + marks where we are now</u>. The memory verse is in bold.

Creation: Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: + Kings and Prophets : Exile : Restoration : 2nd Temple : JESUS : +Apostles : Last Day : New Creation

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

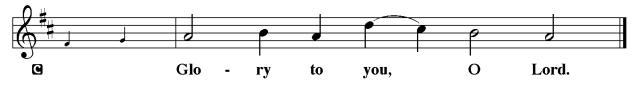
C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

*GOSPEL

JOHN 8:31-36

John 6:68

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel. Response after the announcement:



³¹Then Jesus 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'?"

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.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

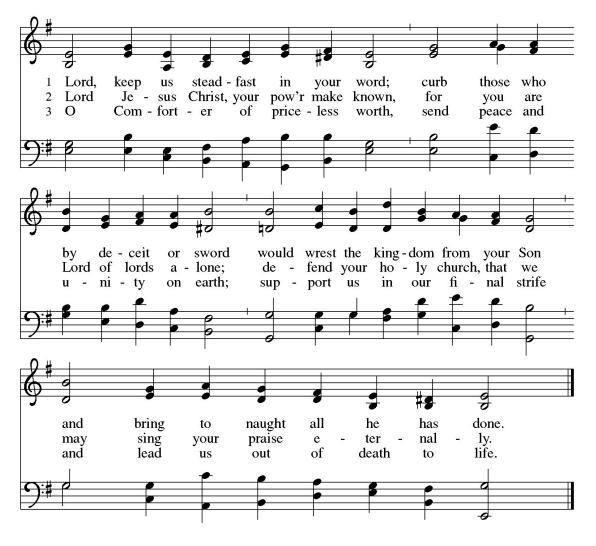
"The On-Going Reformation of the Christian Church"

Justification – What? Reformation 2024

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Why do I keep falling into the trap of trying to justify myself rather than trusting Christ?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus 'ultimate saving power: Jesus' life, death, and resurrection justifies all who trust Him.

So What?: Rejoice that you are set right with God by faith through grace. Examine yourself. Examine this church. Make the right changes here and now to walk according to God's Word.



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond Hear our prayers.

Pravers are commended in Jesus 'Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

***THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

***OFFERTORY**

THE MEAL

"You Are Mine"

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

***THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING	2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136
P. The Lord be with you.	C. And also with you.
P. Lift up your hearts.	C. We lift them to the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** Isaiah 6:3. Matthew 21:9 Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

Psalm 51:10-12

David Haas

(In Unison)

1 Timothy 2:1-4

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: 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.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

*LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. (Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.)

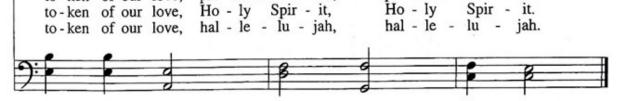
P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

Matthew 6:9-13

John 1:29







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SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

***SONG OF SIMEON**

Luke 2:29-32

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people: A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

"The Church's One Foundation"



Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876 *DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Thanks Be To God" † † † † † † † †

by Steven Scott

OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Ken and Ann Marie Lentz in appreciation of our church staff.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor	
Administrative Assistant	Susan Hibsch
Director of Music Ministries	
Choir Accompanist	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister	Chris Lowe
Lector	
Acolyte	Cameron Bell
Crucifer	Will Clark
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR	Ervin Hoffman
Council Members of the Month	Seth Myers and Adrian Thornburg



GENERAL INFORMATION: If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE: This QR code goes straight to the "Easy Tithe" page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



CHURCH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: In keeping with the protocol approved by the LCC congregation regarding Church Council elections, the Council is accepting nominations for persons interested in serving a three-year term on the LCC Church Council. This is a self-nominating process. All interested members should contact Jason Sanders – <u>bakersanders@earthlink.net</u>, Jenny Williamson – <u>wmsonjen@gmail.com</u>, or Pastor Comer – <u>pastor@lutheranchapelchurch.org</u> or call 704-787-6439.

REFORMATION SUNDAY EVENT: South West Conference Wide Reformation Sunday Event is taking place on **October 27th** 4:00 pm at The Laboratory Mill, 848 Southfork Rd., Lincolnton, NC featuring guest Preacher Todd Cutter (LRU Campus Pastor).

LOVE OFFERING FOR HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF: Our fellowship will be collecting a love offering to give through Samaritan's Purse recovery efforts. Let us help our neighbors in the mountains.

SAMARITANS PURSE CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES: Shoe boxes will be available for pickup on Sunday if you are interested. Get them now and avoid the Christmas rush.

COMFORT KITS FOR CHILDREN: The outreach committee will be collecting supplies for the Lutherans Disaster Response for children in the NC Mountains. Please consider donating the following items: small notebooks, bubbles, stress balls, hand sanitizers, crayons, small plush toys and playdough. Collection bin will be in Narthex starting this Sunday.

GIFT FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS: The women of LCC will be sending a fall gift to college students. Please send your college student's address to: Judy Anton—judyanton8@gmail.com, Suzie Ward—cfrederickward@bellsouth.net or the office by **Thursday, October 31**.

CLOTHES CLOSET IN NEED: Any amount of donation will help. One t-shirt you haven't worn in a year? Perfect! Two pairs of shorts that are now too big or too small? Fantastic! As always, any donation is greatly appreciated and will go towards helping the community.



Sunday, Oct 27	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:00 am	Over 60's Luncheon (Family Life Center)
	11:05 am	Luther Choir (Fellowship Hall)
	11:40 am	Chancel Choir (Fellowship Hall)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
Monday, Oct 28	8:30 am	Preschool
Tuesday, Oct 29	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
	5:30 pm	Chapel Ringers
Wednesday, Oct 30	8:30 am	Preschool
	6:00 pm	Chosen Mission Group (Chapel)
	7:00 pm	Vespers (Chapel)
Thursday, Oct 31	8:30 am	Preschool
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	11:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
Friday, Nov 1	9:00 am	Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday, Nov 2	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)



DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!: Each morning and evening, pray to the LORD. Sunrise, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1*). *Claim the gift of God for yourself*.

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 44 October 27 to November 3, 2024

10/27 Morning Reading: 2 Timothy 1—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 12, 13, 14

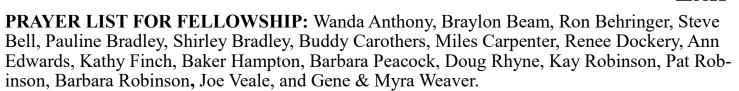
- 10/28 Morning Reading: 2 Timothy 2—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 15, 16, 17
- 10/29 Morning Reading: 2 Timothy 3—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 18, 19
- 10/30 Morning Reading: 2 Timothy 4—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 20, 21
- 10/31 Morning Reading: Titus 1—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 22, 23

11/01 Morning Reading: Titus 2—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 24, 25, 26

11/02 Morning Reading: Titus 3—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 27, 28, 29

11/03 Morning Reading: Philemon—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 30, 31

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: John Austin, Rick Belton, Kyle Banes, Kathy Bradley, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Jennifer Hart, Bob Hice, Rick Knowles, Bobby Myers, Rita Pasour, Josie Putnam, Joye Rankin, family of Beth Richardson - Mother of Emily Carpenter, Randy Reel, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Becky Van Dyke, Anthony Wynn and the People affected by the hurricane.

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

Wednesday, October 30 ~ Evening Prayer Service
Psalm 46 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
Thursday, October 31 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study
Romans 3:10-26 "The On-Going Reformation of the Christian Church"
Sunday, November 3 ~ Holy Communion
1 Corinthians 15:20-26 and John 11:32:44 "I Believe in the Communion of Saints"

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