

# ***Redeemer Lutheran Church***

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## **Reformation Day Observed October 30th, 2022**



**Matthew 11:12–19**

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**Kevin Lee, Music Director**

**Rev. Robert Krestick, Pastor Emeritus**

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**Prelude:** *Freu dich sehr, O meine Seele* (G. Böhm)

## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.**  
**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.  
**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**  
**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.**

*Stand*

**LSB #658 Preserve Your Word, O Savior**

*Opening Hymn*

## Service of the Word

**Introit**

*Psalm 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46*

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\*  
and shall not be | put to shame.  
I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*

his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.  
 My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;\*  
 let the humble hear | and be glad.  
 Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;\*  
 I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.  
 The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;\*  
 none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
 I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\*  
 and shall not be | put to shame.

## Kyrie

*LSB 186*

**G** Lord, have mercy upon us.  
 Christ, have mercy upon us.  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

## LSB #948 All Glory Be to God Alone

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

*Sit*

### First Reading

*Revelation 14:6–7*

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 48:1a, 12–14a*

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised\*  
in the city | of our God!  
Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,\*  
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,  
that you may tell the next gener- | ation\*  
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

## Epistle

*Romans 3:19–28*

<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 stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## LSB #656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

*Hymn of the Day*

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 11:12–19*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>[Jesus said:] “From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. <sup>13</sup>For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, <sup>14</sup>and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. <sup>15</sup>He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

<sup>16</sup>“But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,

<sup>17</sup>“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’

<sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ <sup>19</sup>The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## LSB #954 We All Believe in One True God

*Sit*

**Sermon** “From the Days of John the Baptist until...” *Matthew 11:12-19*

*Stand*

### Prayer of the Church

*Sit*

**Offering: Choir:** O Love, How Deep (D. Groteahuis)

## Service of the Sacrament

*Stand*

### Preface

*LSB 216*

**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 Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell.

Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## 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.

**P** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

## The Words of Our Lord

*LSB 217*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## LSB #960 Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old

### Pax Domini

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

**C** Amen.

## LSB #434 Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

*Sit*

**Distribution:** *The true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*

**LSB #659 Lord of Our Life**

*Distribution Hymn*

**LSB #865 Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain**

*Distribution Hymn*

*Stand*

**LSB #937 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace**

**Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Benedicamus**

*LSB 218*

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**LSB #655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word** *Closing Hymn*

**Postlude:** *Basse de Trompette* (F. Couperin)

**Weekly Prayers**

**From our membership:** Jeff & Crissy Streit, Preslee; Bruce Streit; Karin Tamm (Kim Stevens); Ray Taylor.

**Health concerns:** Maria Ehrmann, Gerry Ronnenberg, Barb & Doug Huth, Dorothy Jacobs, Rev. Marvin Donnaire, Mark Borghese, Judy Ellard, Les Orth, and Rev. Robert and Liz Krestick.

**Shut-ins:** Catherine Allen, Jeanette Avery, Blanche Barker, Lorne & Nancy Biesel, Maria Ehrmann, Eleonore Gallein, Dorothy Jacobs, Esther Musselman, Les Orth, Pastor & Doreen Scholz, Inez Voll, and Helen Wagner.

**Mission:** Deaconess Thy Da currently serves the Church in Phnom Penh Cambodia.

**For Comfort** in mourning to Mary Beth and Zack Fryers at the sudden death of Rob, a dear husband and father.