

Reformation Sunday
October 26, 2025 — 8:30 am Service
Order of Worship
FM Frequency 99.3
Text: 419-482-8227

# Passing of the Peace

- L. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- A. And also with you.

#### Invocation

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

A: Amen.

# Prayer of the Week

Heavenly Father, thank You for giving us Your Word. Help us to look at our lives through the lens of the scriptures. Point out to us the areas that need reforming. That we will then make the changes needed to be more like You. Amen.

# Hymn: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God
A sword and shield victorious
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
And wins salvation glorious
The old satanic foe
Has sworn to work us woe
With craft and dreadful might
He arms himself to fight
On earth he has no equal

No strength of ours can match his might

We would be lost, rejected
But now a champion comes to fight
Whom God himself elected
You ask who this may be
The Lord of hosts is he
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord
God's only Son, adored
He holds the field victorious
Though hordes of devils fill the land
All threat'ning to devour us

We tremble not, unmoved we stand They cannot overpow'r us Let this world's tyrant rage In battle we'll engage His might is doomed to fail God's judgement must prevail One little word subdues him

# Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the Inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### A: Amen.

- L: 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. Most merciful God,
- A: We confess that we are in bondage 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.
- L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
- A. Amen.

#### Greeting

- L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- A: And also with you.

# Kyrie

- L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- A: Lord, have mercy
- L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

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#### A: Lord, have mercy

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

#### This Is The Feast

L: This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia.

A: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory of our god, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

# Scripture 2 Kings 22:1-4, 8-9, 11

"Josiah was eight years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem thirty-one years.... He did what was right in the eyes of the LORD and followed completely the ways of his father David, not turning aside to the right or to the left. In the eighteenth year of his reign, King Josiah sent the secretary, Shaphan .... To the temple of the LORD. He said: 'Go up to Hilkiah the high priest and have him get ready the money that has been brought into the temple of the LORD...' Hilkiah the high priest said to Shaphan the secretary, 'I have found the Book of the Law in the temple of the LORD.' He gave it to Shaphan, who read it. Then Shaphan the secretary went to the king and reported to him.... When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his robes."

#### Acts 17:10-12

"The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so. Many of them therefore believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men."

#### Luke 13:6-9

"Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'""

#### **Scripture Closing**

- L. This is the Word of the Lord.
- A. Thanks be to God!

Sermon — "Constant Reformation" Pastor David Kaiser

#### Apostle's Creed

ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his

only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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.

# Hymn: The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord
She is his new creation
By water and the Word
From heav'n he came and sought her
To be his holy bride
With his own blood he bought her
And for her life he died.

Though with a scornful wonder
This world sees her oppressed
By schisms rent asunder
By heresies distressed
Yet saints their watch are keeping
Their cry goes up: How long?
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song

Through toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest

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#### Words Of Institution

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.

# 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.

#### 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.

#### Communion

# Post Communion Blessing

- L: (Please stand and join with those close to you. . .) May the body and the blood of our Lord Jesus, now in you, strengthen you in body and preserve you in faith to life everlasting.
- A: Amen.
- L: O give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
- A: and his mercy endures forever. Amen.

# Corporate Prayer

We pray together prayers of:

Adoration

Confession

Thanksgiving

Supplication

#### Benediction

L: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

A: Amen.

#### Go In Peace

L: Go in peace, Read the word, Study the word, Serve the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn: My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand
All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils his lovely face I rest on his unchanging grace

In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil On Christ, the solid rock, I stand All other ground is sinking sand

His oath, his covenant, his blood Sustain me in the raging flood When all supports are washed away He then is all my hope and stay On Christ, the solid rock, I stand All other ground is sinking sand

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"Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so." Acts 17:11

# Sermon Notes Constant Reformation

$\Rightarrow$	What practices do you see in your life that need reformation?
$\Rightarrow$	What practices do you see in the church that need reformation?
$\Rightarrow$	What 3 things are you willing to do to change this?

# **Those To Pray For**

**HOSPITALIZED:** 

**IN HOSPICE CARE:** 

**CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER**: Edna Hollar, Joy Hodak, Charles Simpson, Carolyn Schell, Elizabeth Ford, Scribner Family, Joyce Wheeler, Diane Debien, Don Krause, Fred Dais, Patty Komisar, Judy Clymer, Lynda Dunn, Pam Walker, Nancy Belt, Lonna Young, Andrea Penzinski, George Hochmuth, Bob Clymer, St. Paul's homebound

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:** Brian Lange, Abe Diaz, Nicholas Brice, Jacob Brice, Trey Olman