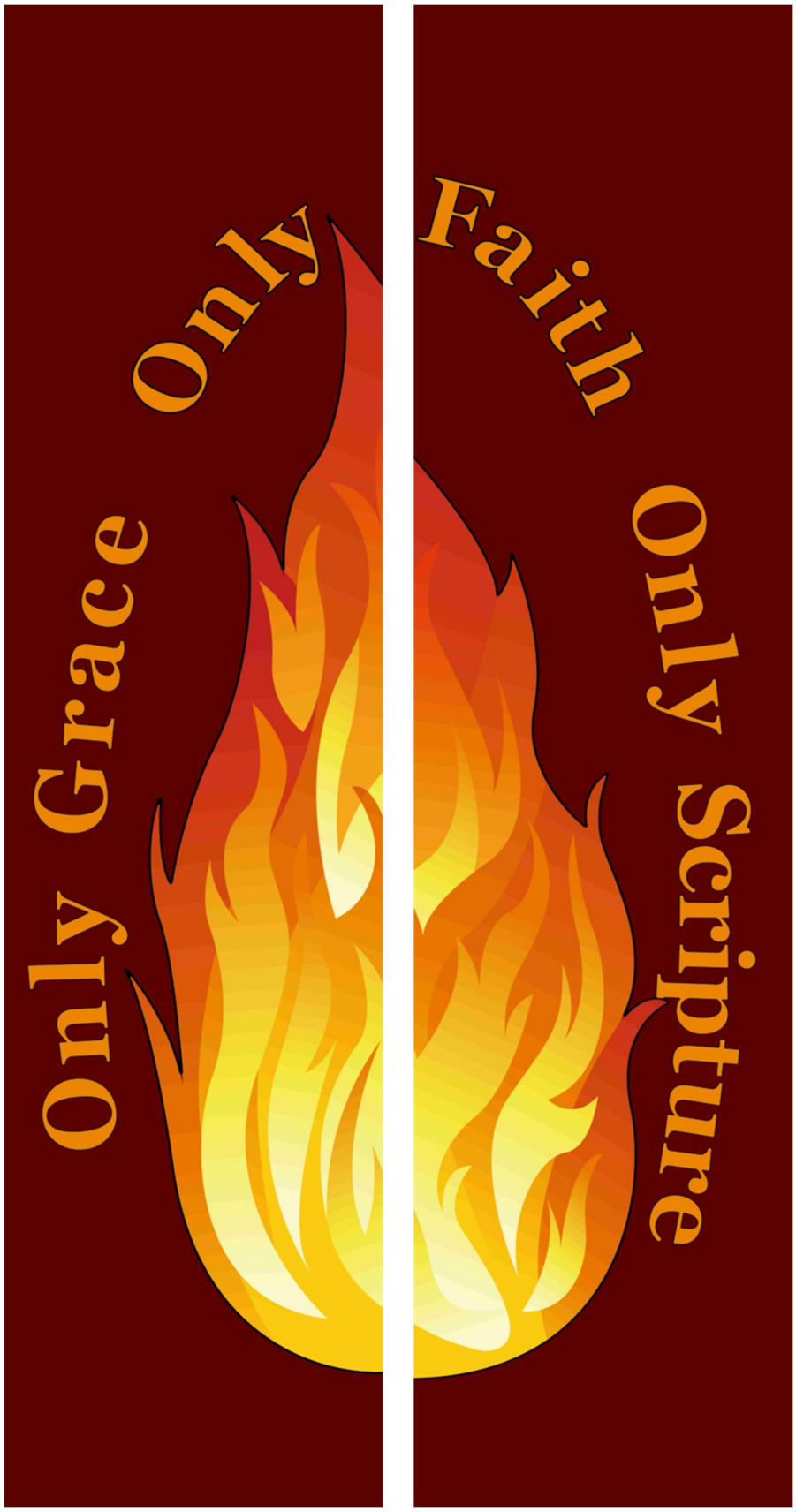


The Feast of the Reformation

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Troutville, Virginia
November 1, 2026 10 a.m.

Welcome!

When our first parents rebelled against God, they pulled a sheet of darkness over all human kind. Since that day we have sensed our isolation from God. With varying degrees of effort we have tried to bridge that gulf unsuccessfully with sacrifices, good intentions, and good deeds. Yet no matter how hard we strove, our efforts were never enough to overcome the evil in our hearts.

From the beginning our Creator planned how he would succeed where we continually fail. He sent his Son to live an exemplary life on our behalf. After Jesus successfully completed all the goodness we should have done, he sacrificed his life under God's righteous anger to satisfy God's perfect justice. Because of Jesus, God has declared every human being forgiven and justified.

Sadly, the darkness runs so deep in our hearts, we keep trying to contribute something good to God's plan to restore us to his family. By the 1500's, this warped sense of we must do something had hidden God's gift of free forgiveness for the sake of Jesus. God showed the truth once again to the world by opening the eyes of Martin Luther, a Roman Catholic monk turned priest and then turned reformer. Through Luther's preaching, teaching, and writing, God's people were re-introduced to simple and profound truths:

God saves us through faith alone

God saves us because of his grace alone

God reveals his truth through Scripture alone

God's good news of Jesus drove the darkness back and brought joy and life into our hearts.

Sadly again, the darkness is not content to be defeated. The darkness in the hearts of those who don't yet believe in Jesus hates the light of free forgiveness. As it has throughout history, the darkness opposes, attacks, and persecutes all who know Jesus' love and want to share his gift of life.

We would be lost without our Father constantly strengthening us with his love and through his good news of Jesus. So as we celebrate the Feast of the Reformation today, we give thanks for his protection in a world still darkened by sin and we boldly proclaim the good news that Jesus has forgiven unworthy us simply because he chose to love us.

Restrooms

Restrooms are down the hallway on the left.

Nursery

We enjoy children in worship, especially when they are singing God's praises in their own way. We think it's important for us to train children how to participate in worship from an early age. If they need a short break, feel free to make use of our nursery next to the worship space.

Lord's Supper

Today we'll celebrate the Lord's Supper because through these simple ingredients, bread and wine, connected with God's promises, the Holy Spirit strengthens our faith and forgives our sins. Since this is God's gift to us, we are bound to respect his command not to give this out indiscriminately. The Bible has an example when Christians didn't respect God's requirements and people were seriously hurt. If you have not communed with us before, please talk with pastor before coming up for the Lord's Supper. He'll work with you so you can safely and joyfully receive the blessings of this sacrament.

Luther's Morning and Evening Prayer[1]

CW 782

Sung by children's choir

I thank you, heav'nly Father,
thro' Jesus, your dear Son,
that you this night have kept me
from danger and from harm.
Keep me this day from evil,
that all I say and do
be pleasing and reflective
of love first shown by you.

Stand

Opening dialogue

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;
for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.

Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?
The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.[2]

"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes *would see* the King, the Lord Almighty."[3]

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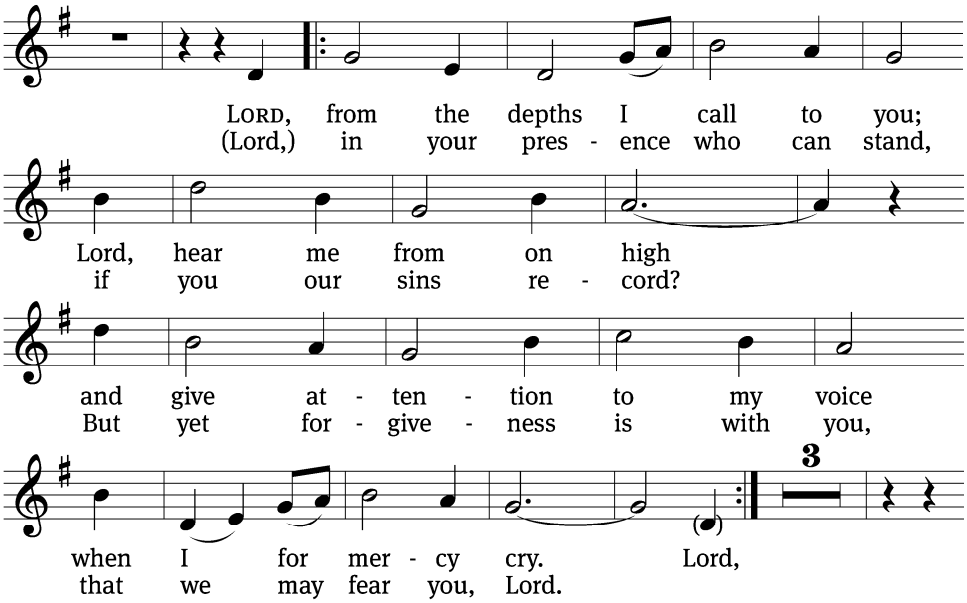
2 Psalm 24:1-4

3 Adapted from Isaiah 6:5

Confession of sins[4]

Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord; Lord, hear my voice.
Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

Congregation sings



The Lord Jesus comes to us and offers his grace and love. It is good for us to repent of our sins and to plead for his mercy.

Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin,
For faithless worrying and selfish ride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do.
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me for Jesus' sake.

Cantor sings

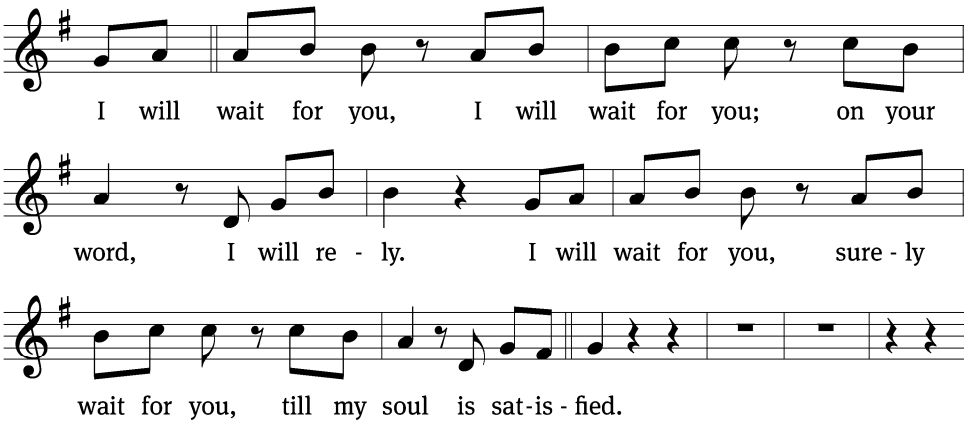
Out of the depths I cry to you,
in darkest places I will call;
incline your ear to me anew,
and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were you to count my sinful ways,
how could I come before your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze;
I stand redeemed by grace alone.

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4 Our confession is based on Psalm 130, a unique psalm. As one of the Psalm of Ascents, God's people sang it as they approached the temple for festivals. It is also a penitential psalm used to confess our sins. The melodies and lyrics are from: Text (sts. 1–2, Chorus, 3–4, Chorus, Final Chorus): © 2018 Townend Songs (PRS) / Getty Music Publishing (BMI) / Jordan Kauflin Music (BMI) / Matthew Merker Music (BMI)), admin. Music Services "I Will Wait for You". Used by permission: OneLicense no. 723384 Text (sts. Intro, Intro (cont'd): © 2003 Psalmody Committee, Free Church of Scotland "Lord, from the Depths I Call to You". Used by permission: OneLicense no. 723384

Congregation sings



If you, Lord, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits,
and in his word I put my hope.

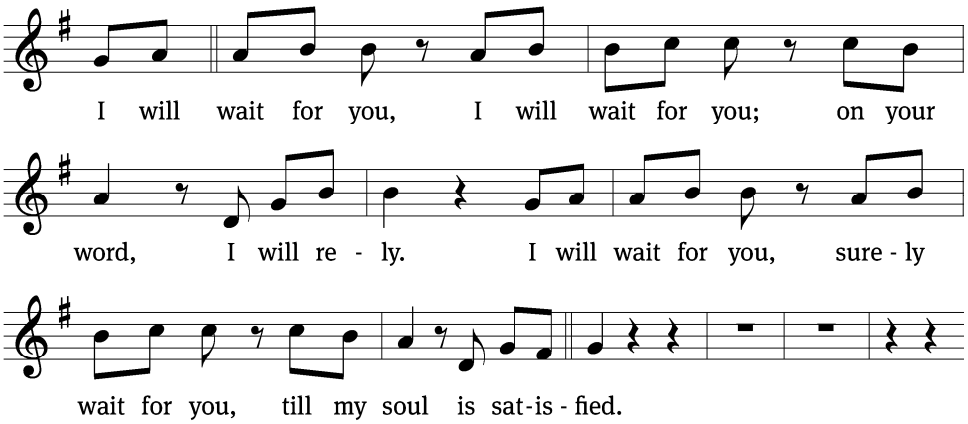
Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love
and with him is full redemption.
He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all your sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.
Amen.

Cantor sings

So put your hope in God alone;
take courage in his pow'r to save—
completely and forever won
by Christ emerging from the grave.

Congregation sings



Cantor sings

Now he has come to make a way,
and God himself has paid the price,
that all who trust in him today
find healing in his sacrifice.

Congregation sings



The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

We pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

First Reading

Daniel 6:10–12,16–23

Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before. Then these men went as a group and found Daniel praying and asking God for help. So they went to the king and spoke to him about his royal decree: "Did you not publish a decree that during the next thirty days anyone who prays to any god or human being except to you, Your Majesty, would be thrown into the lions' den?"

The king answered, "The decree stands—in accordance with the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be repealed."

So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!"

A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the rings of his nobles, so that Daniel's situation might not be changed. Then the king returned to his palace and spent the night without eating and without any entertainment being brought to him. And he could not sleep.

At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?"

Daniel answered, "May the king live forever! My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, Your Majesty."

The king was overjoyed and gave orders to lift Daniel out of the den. And when Daniel was lifted from the den, no wound was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.
God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.
Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come and see what the LORD has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.
He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.
He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."

The LORD Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Second Reading

Romans 3:19–28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Stand

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God[5]

CW 864 sts. 1–2



Gospel

Matthew 10:16–23

"I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

"Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

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5 Luther composed this hymn as an expansion on the promises of Psalm 46. Just the English translation of this hymn has appeared in over 750 hymnals. Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Composite Tune: Martin Luther, 1483–1546 Text and tune: Public domain

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God[6]

CW 864 sts. 3–4



Be seated

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Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near[7]

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Sermon

Romans 3:19–28

All

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Stand

We All Believe in One True God[8]

CW 940



Be seated

8 Luther included this hymn in his reworked worship service for the common people in 1526. Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–1684; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 3rd. ed., Meiningen, 1693; adapt. Cornelius H. Dretzel, 1697–1775 Text and tune: Public domain

Prayer of the Church

Gracious God, in mercy you sent your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, into this world to redeem us from sin and rescue us from hell. Through your Scriptures and by your Spirit, you have brought us to faith in your Son and have assured us that Christ has fully completed the work of our salvation. Lead us to rejoice in the message of forgiveness through faith alone in Christ Jesus. When guilt grieves our consciences and shame squelches our confidence, use your Word to encourage and comfort our souls with the good news of your unconditional love.

Almighty God, in the face of immense pressure to compromise their confession, you emboldened Martin Luther and the Lutheran reformers to take a firm stand on the truths of Scripture. Through their clear confession of faith, you restored the gospel to your church and have preserved this saving truth among us today. Send us your Holy Spirit that we exhibit the same zeal and faithfulness as the Lutheran confessors. Give us courage to confess our faith sincerely and boldly in the classroom, the workplace, the community, and to everyone we encounter who needs to hear the truth of your Word. Use our confession to bring faith in your Son to the hearts of those who do not yet believe in you.

Eternal God, you have promised to preserve and protect your church in every age. Even when it appeared that the enemies of the gospel had silenced your truth, you kept your people faithful to you and your Word. Bless all who face hardships for their faith with an added measure of your Holy Spirit so that they do not lose heart as they bear their crosses. Comfort the sick and suffering, the depressed and lonely, those who are persecuted and ridiculed for their faith, and all others who need the encouragement of your love. Fix our eyes on the cross of your Son, his empty tomb, and the sure promise of eternal life in heaven's glory.

Lord God, you know the concerns of our hearts and minds. Hear the public prayers we have spoken with our lips and the personal prayers we offer to you in our hearts, and answer them according to your gracious will. Increase our trust in your power and wisdom that we may rest secure in the plans and purposes you have for our lives; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
Amen.

Offering

These offerings are never an obligation but an opportunity to thank our Savior for all his blessings and love to us. We use these moneys locally to share the good news of Jesus with our neighbors and each other. We also send 7% to our national church body (the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod) to send out missionaries around the world and train future pastors and teachers to do the same.

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By Faith[9]

CW 868

Adult and children's choir

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those who prove his faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
with the pow'r of his promise in their hearts,
of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign.

We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
to deliver captives and to preach good news
in ev'ry corner of the earth.

We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

Congregation is invited to join in singing

By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
for we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon his name.

We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

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The Sacrament

Stand

Exhortation

Friends in Christ: Since we are here assembled in the name of the Lord to receive his Holy Testament, I encourage you to lift up your hearts to God to pray with me the Lord's Prayer, as Christ our Lord has taught us and graciously promised to hear us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

I also encourage you in Christ that you recognize the Testament of Christ in true faith and, above all, take to heart the words Christ's words which give us his body and his blood for the remission of our sins. Remember and give thanks for his boundless love which he proved to us when he redeemed us from God's wrath, sin, death, and hell by his own blood. May we always sincerely confess that as we physically receive the bread and wine, we also receive his body and his blood, as the pledge and guarantee of his grace. In his name therefore, and according to the command that he gave, let us use and receive the Testament.[10]

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✝ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

10 Adapted from Martin Luther's *Deutsche Messe* (German Mass), his suggested order of worship for the Lord's Supper, 1526.

Lamb of God[11]



Be seated

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

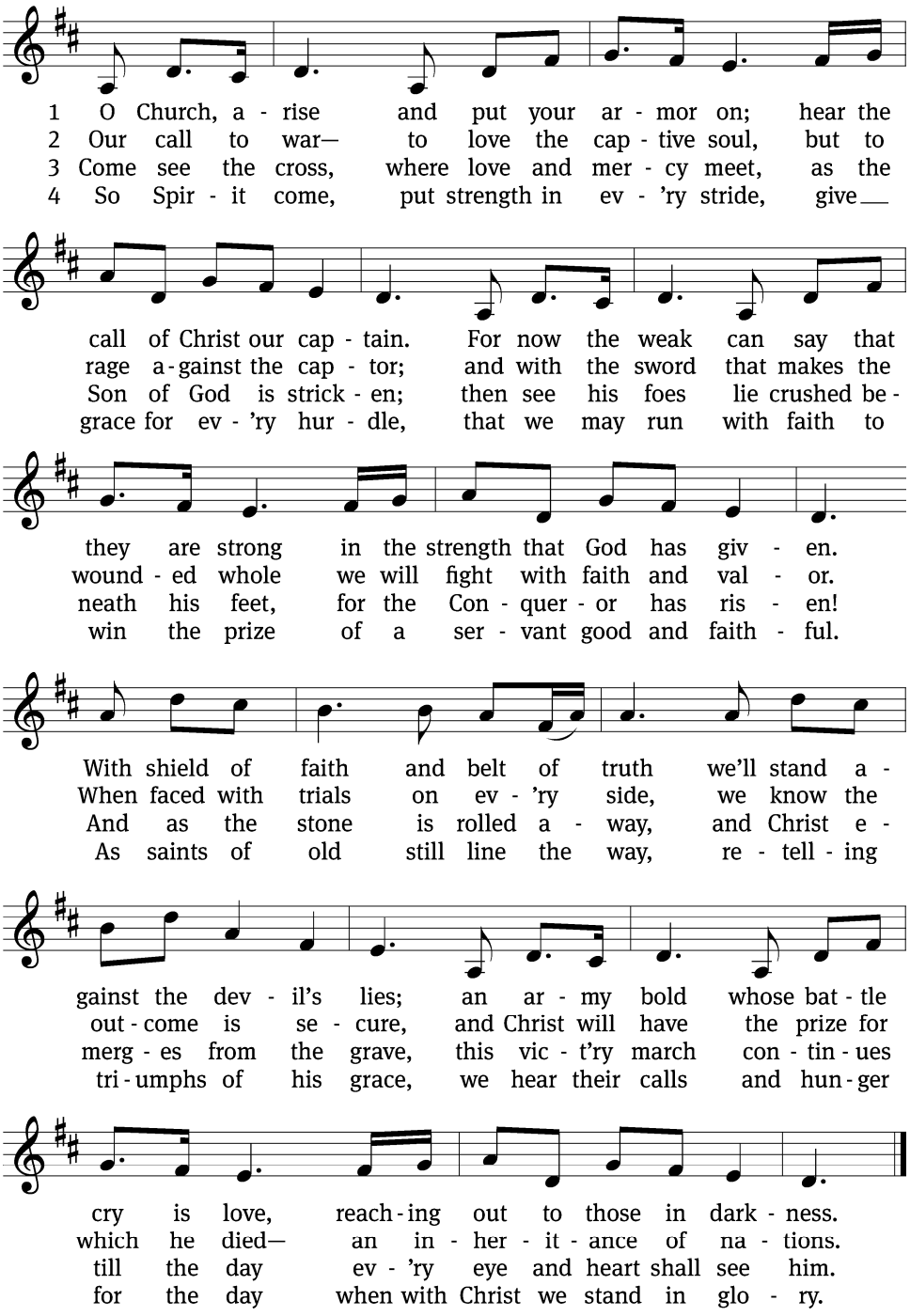
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

Please remain standing

O Church, Arise[12]

CW 870



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Worship leader	Paul Workentine	Paul Workentine
Music	Holly, Betsy, musicians	Holly
Greeters	Rick & Crystal	Dwight & Cynthia
Cleaning	Professional	Benson & Moyer
Snacks	Reformation dinner	Benson
Video	Sarah & Daisy	Greg & Tricia

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Today

8:45 am	Evangelism team
10 am	Worship and communion – Feast of the Reformation
11:30 am	Reformation dinner for all
2 pm	GriefShare

Monday

1:30 pm	Bible information class
7 pm	ESL classes

Wednesday

9:30 am	Bible study – Jesus heals a broken church
4:30 pm	Catechism
6 pm	Choir
7 pm	Bible study – Jesus heals a broken church

Thursday

3 pm	Bible information class
7 pm	Bible information class

Next Sunday

10 am	Worship
11:30 am	Sunday school and Bible study
2 pm	GriefShare

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