

+ Reformation Day October 31, 2021



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+ Reformation Day Order for Worship

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.

A few notes on precautions and protocols, which apply to everyone regardless of vaccination status, as St. Andrew returns to worship in the sanctuary:

- Face masks that fully cover both your mouth and nose are required at all times for everyone over the age of two (2) the only exception being the brief moment of moving mask aside to partake in Holy Communion.
- Outside food and drink are thus not permissible during worship.
- Physical distancing of at least six (6) feet will be observed at all times for people not from your household.
- We invite the congregation to voice responses and prayers during worship. A cantor will sing the hymns with a mask on, and the rest of the congregation is encouraged to follow along silently.
- We ask that everyone use hand sanitizer, either your own or from the bottles throughout the sanctuary, especially prior to Holy Communion.

Worship Services are live streamed to multiple online platforms. By attending worship, you agree that your image and voice may be broadcast.

Welcome

Prelude

Gathering

Please rise as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the one who made us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Have mercy on us, O God.
C: We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor.
We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger.
We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy.
Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice.
Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.

P: God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for + Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kin-dom of God.

> We ask that those present in the church sanctuary refrain from singing the hymns aloud. The assembly gathered from afar is encouraged to sing!

Gathering Hymn

- A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper frees us from the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe, forsworn to work us woe, with guile and dreadful might is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no equal.
- 2 If we in our own strength confide, our striving turns to losing; the righteous one fights by our side, the one of God's own choosing. You ask who this may be: Christ Jesus, it is he, the Lord of hosts by name. No other God we claim! None else can win the battle.
- 3 Though all the world with devils fill, and threaten to devoir us, we tremble not, we trust God's will: they cannot overpow'r us. Though satan rant and rage, in fiercest war engage, this tyrant's doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word shall triumph.
- God's Word shall stand above the pow'rs, shall end all their thanksgiving.
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours, for God with us is living.
 Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; though all of these be gone,

they yet have nothing won. The kingdom's our forever!

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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.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.
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.
C: Amen.

Please be seated.

Word

First Reading – Jeremiah 31: 31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It 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. ³³But 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. ³⁴No 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.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading – Romans 3: 19-28

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 God's 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 God's 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. God did this to show God's righteousness, because in God's divine forbearance God had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that God is righteous and that God justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

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

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation (Spoken)

C: Alleluia. If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia.

Gospel – John 8: 31-36

P: The holy Gospel according to St. John. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Jesus 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.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Please rise as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

Baptized and Set Free

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- We are people created, chosen by God.
 Then we're washed, ever gently, in mercy and love.
 Sin has power no more.
 Jesus opened the door to a fountain bringing healing, and wholeness and more.
- We are fed and we're nourished, filled and refreshed.
 Then our hunger returns and again we are blessed.
 For whatever the need,
 God is greater indeed:
 endless ocean, always deeper
 than all of our need.
- We are nourished by water, all living things, and by life that the Spirit abundantly brings. As we journey toward home, may your presence be known: precious river, ever-flowing, now carry us home.
- 4 Now with praise and thanksgiving, we join the song.
 All are welcome! We gather to sing loud and strong.
 Not enslaved, but set free!
 From now on, all will be one in Jesus, one in water, baptized and set free!

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Prayers of the People

P: Freed by God in Christ Jesus to love and serve, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's beloved creation.

After each petition P: God of mercy, **C: Receive our prayer.**

P: God our hope and strength, we entrust to your care all for whom we pray, confident in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **C: Amen.**

Please be seated while the table is being prepared. We offer ourselves, our gifts, and our faithful service to God.

An offering plate is available at the back of the sanctuary for those who would like to offer gifts as you leave worship today.

Meal

Please rise as you are able.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray. God of life,you give us these gifts of the earth,these resources of our life and labor.Take them, offered in great thanksgiving,and use them to set a table that will heal your whole creation,through Jesus Christ our Savior.C: Amen.

Dialogue

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Remembering, therefore To you, O Triune God, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
C: 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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Fraction and Invitation

Agnus Dei / Lamb of God

C: 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.

Please be seated.

Holy Communion

- Please use hand sanitizer prior to receiving Communion.
- We will not be kneeling at the altar rail due to the need for physical distancing.
- Worshipers from the pulpit side will proceed forward first, followed by the center section, and then the lectern side.
- The Communion wafers (regular and gluten-free) have been thoughtfully prepared using the gifts of the congregation by a member of St. Andrew's altar care team, with a drop of wine or grape juice on each. The presiding minister will distribute one to each communicant from the ciborium using sanitary tongs.
- When you reach the presiding minister, please indicate if you would like grape juice or a gluten-free wafer.
- A blessing will be provided for anyone who does not yet receive the sacrament, following physical distancing guidelines.
- *Everyone is asked to wait until you return to your place to consume the elements, and then promptly replace your mask.*

Hymn during Holy Communion

By Grace We Have Been Saved

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Hymn during Holy Communion By Grace We Have Been Saved

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Refrain

By grace we have been saved saved by grace through faith, not because of what we do; it is the gift of God.

- 1 On the days when you are weak, on the days when you are strong, rich or poor, young or old, just listen to the song. *Refrain*
- 2 Rest your body, rest your mind, in the stillness you will find you're a lovely, precious child, part of the great design. *Refrain*
- 3 You don't need to be afraid.
 You will never be alone.
 There is mercy, there is hope,
 and love will take you home. *Refrain*

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When all have returned to their places, please rise as you are able.

Blessing

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

Prayer

P: Let us pray. Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet. **C: Amen.**

Sending

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.C: Thanks be to God!

Abbreviations

P: Pastor/Presiding MinisterL: LectorC: Congregation

ELW: Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal *ACS: All Creation Sings* hymnal

Those serving in worship today

Organ (Prelude and Gathering Hymn) Piano Cantor Lector Audiovisual Ministers

Director of Faith Formation Presiding Minister Jimmi Kocher-Hillmer Lily Cai Kristen Asplin Joyce Compton Linnea Asplin Angie McComb Christopher Atwood Pastor Ross Carmichael

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