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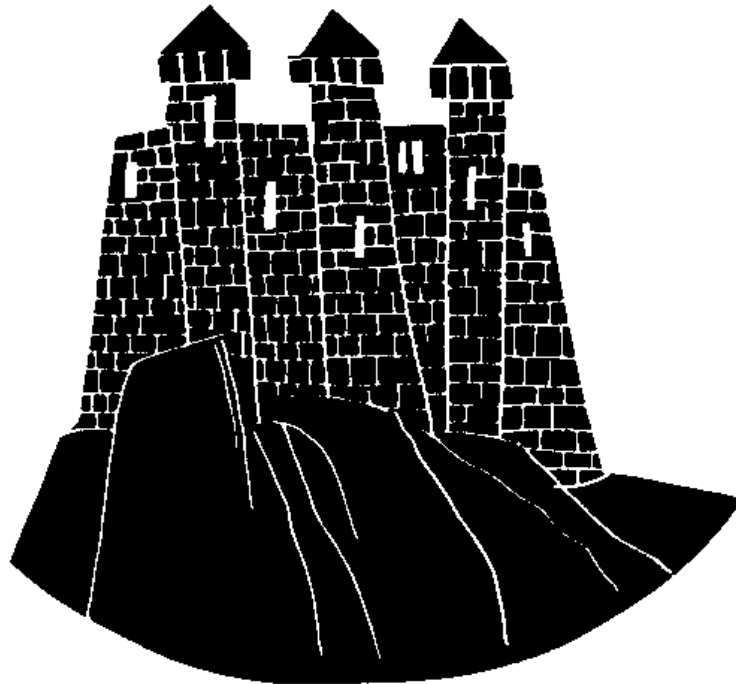
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A Mighty Fortress is
Our God

REFORMATION SUNDAY

MARTIN LUTHER'S MASS,

Sunday, October ,

Theme of the Day

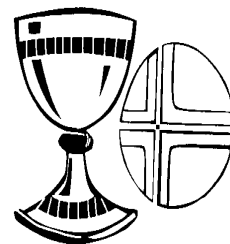
God's purpose for us never changes, but we are peculiarly adept at confusing His purposes and persuading purpose is identical with heirs of Luther" is not saying, "We are Abraham's been slaves of anyone." We as we gather to praise God for Reformation is not a one-time inevitably over those who daily necessity for the never faithless, but we have Reformation is not a time for boasting of our superiority but of giving thanks that God ever and again invites His people to repent, rely on grace, and be renewed in mission and ministry.



ourselves that our bent God's. Boasting "We are the necessarily far removed from descendants and have never may remain slaves of sin even our freedom in the Gospel. thing that spreads its mantle celebrate it; reformation is a church's life with God. God is been faithless again and again.

Communion Information

Memorial Lutheran Church is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and confess the same teachings. Members in good standing of Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations and those who belong to congregations that are in altar and pulpit fellowship with the LCMS are welcome to commune. We believe that we are given a great responsibility to distribute the holy body and blood of Christ only to those persons who are members of this confessional fellowship (Corinthians and) lest the sacrament be taken for harm. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that for their spiritual welfare we practice closed communion. For those who do not receive the sacrament this day we ask that you continue to pray that through the power of the Holy Spirit our Lord would through the truth of his Word destroy the walls that yet divide us. If you desire to learn more about this teaching of the church, please speak with one of the pastors.



REFORMATION SUNDAY

October ,

(*Lutheran Service Book*, -)

Preservice Music Thy Strong Word Arr. G. Shepherd
i Entrance Hymn Thy Strong Word
Stanzas , : All
Stanza : Women and Children
Stanza : Men
Stanzas , : All

Confession and Absolution

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm : , , ; antiphon: Psalm :*

P. I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

C. I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

P. My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

C. Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

P. The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;*
none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

C. 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.

P. I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

Kyrie Kyrie! God, Father

Gloria All Glory Be to God on High
Stanza : Choir
Stanza - : Congregation

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P. 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.

C. Amen.

⌘ First Reading Revelation : - ESV p.

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. ⁷And 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.”

Psalm (*sung by the choir*) Psalm K. Kosche

Epistle Reading Romans : - ESV p.

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. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom 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. ²⁶It 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. ²⁷Then 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. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

⌘ **Hymn of the Day A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

Gospel Mathew : - ESV p.

[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. ¹³For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵He who has ears

to hear, let him hear. ¹⁶“But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to their playmates, ¹⁷“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’ ⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹The 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.”

	Creed	We All Believe in One True God	
⌋	Sermon		
⌋	Prayer of the Church		
⌋	Offering	If You Continue in My Word	D. Busarow
		Service of the Sacrament	
⌋	Preface		
	Lord's Prayer		
	The Words of our Lord		
	Sanctus	Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old	
	Pax Domini		
	Agnus Dei	Lamb of God, Pure and Holy	
⌋	Hymns	Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word	
		Salvation unto Us Has Come	
	Anthem	Every Word and Thought	D. Buxtehude
⌋	Canticle	In Peace and Joy I Now Depart	
	Post-Communion Collect		
	Benedicamus and Benediction		
	Hymn	O Lord, We Praise Thee	
	Postlude	<i>Erhalt uns, Herr</i>	D. Buxtehude
		<i>✠ Soli Deo Gloria ✠</i>	



“There are few who remain true to the Gospel in the face of cross and persecution. I know that it is easy to believe in the beginning. But where are those who remain steadfast, who persevere, endure, and say: ‘Let come whatever God send me! If I am not to be well, then I am satisfied to be sick. If I am not to be rich, then I shall be content to remain poor. Whether I live or die, I shall remain with Christ?’”

-Martin Luther