

REFORMATION DAY

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IN OUR PRAYERS we remember: Beverly Baker, Mildred Peters

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 657 Blue 35 (Gray 64) 761

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

TODAY 11:30 a.m. Voters Meeting

TODAY LWML Sunday

Oct. 30 8:15 a.m. Worship at English

Oct. 30 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

Oct. 30 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

Nov. 1 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Nov. 1 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

Nov. 2 9:30 a.m. Quilting

Nov. 2 5:15-6:30 p.m. Confirmation

Nov. 6 4:00 p.m. 5th Sunday Service at Central Lyon High School Auditorium

Nov. 13 Potluck Dinner after Services

Dec. 4 LYC Spaghetti Dinner and church decorating

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, the battle hymn of the Reformation. This hymn is a favorite for many, and with good reason. It recognizes our situation. The church is surrounded by enemies, human and spiritual, and we are not strong enough to prevail against them. But we don't need to. God sent Jesus as our champion to win us victory over sin, death, hell, and every power that opposes God. Against all these foes, God has set the promise of the Gospel, the promise of salvation on which we stand. Because of Christ, we can sing, "Though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever."

A WORD: Our first reading is from the book of Revelation. An angel flies overhead and proclaims an eternal gospel, announcing the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ. All must repent and believe this Gospel because the hour of God's judgement has come. The epistle reading reveals why we need salvation (all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God), and what God did to save us (he put forward Jesus as a propitiatory offering to pay for all sin). Finally, the Gospel reading encourages us to accept the Gospel in the way that God sends it to us. We aren't to be like the people of Jesus' day who rejected John the Baptist (he has a demon!) and then rejected Jesus (he's a drunkard, glutton, and friend of sinners). Rather, we are to accept the Gospel in the way that God sends it to us, believing his Word and trusting that in the sacraments he grants us forgiveness, life, and salvation in the name of his Son.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Exodus 3:1-15 2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17
Luke 20:27-40

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: Like light shining through stained glass, the source of the light of the Reformation was and always ought to be seen as the Lord. By grace alone (*sola gratia*), not because of our deserving, He has redeemed us by His cross and resurrection. By faith alone (*sola fide*), not by our work, have we received what He has accomplished. By Scripture alone (*sola Scriptura*), not by our own human reason, do we speak of the things of God. The Lord's light of His word, in Law and Gospel, continues to shine today!

5TH SUNDAY SERVICE: The Rock Rapids Council of Churches is privileged to have Angela Kennecke as a guest speaker on **Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 4:00 PM** in the Central Lyon HS auditorium in Rock Rapids. Angela is well known for being a KELO news anchor for many years. After the tragic death of her daughter Emily, Angela started a charity called "Emily's Hope" because she never gave up hope on her daughter and now wants to offer hope to other families struggling with addiction. Emily's Hope has helped over 250 people with treatment scholarships. The charity also has developed a prevention education curriculum that is being piloted in 10 schools across South Dakota during the 2022-2023 school year.

ALTAR COMMITTEES: November Altar Committee at Peace is Kathleen Dieren and Donna Dibbern and at English it is Linda Wulf.

BLESSINGS JAR: The Blessings Jar is on the table in the sanctuary. If you feel blessed by having another birthday, anniversary, child, grandchild, or anything you feel thankful and blessed for receiving, you can place a donation in the Blessings Jar. All proceeds will be used for missions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: The Sunday School department is collecting items for their Operation Christmas Child boxes. A list of items needed is located in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions, please contact Keri Davis at 712-348-2308.

RHYTHM OF BETHLEHEM: On December 4th, the United Methodist Church is excited to present the 10th annual Rhythm of Bethlehem! We are in need of performers and volunteers to make this night magical. If you are interested in performing or helping in any way, contact Sheila Maxwell at 712-348-1798. Come help us ring in the Advent Season!

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect personal hygiene products for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERS: **November 6-** Lloyd Lupkes and Steve Anderson; **November 13-** Gary Dieren and Dennis Reuvers

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 657: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

sts. 1–4

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.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

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.

+ 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, listen 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 beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]

and shall not be put to shame.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

C 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. Amen.

FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6–7

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C 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 generation

that this is God, our God forever and ever.

EPISTLE

Romans 3:19–28

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Luke 12:32

Alleluia. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:12–19

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

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

After the Reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN: BLESSED ASSURANCE

Blue Hymnal 35; Gray Hymnal 64

SERMON

OFFERTORY

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C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
C Amen.

HYMN 761: ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME

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