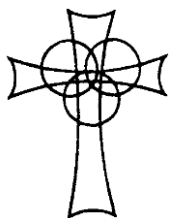


AND YOU SHALL KNOW THE

AND THE
TRUTH
SHALL MAKE YOU FREE!

JOHN 8:32



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About Today's Celebration

In October 2017, Lutherans celebrated the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, remembering the moment when Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses Against the Sale of Indulgences. That moment was only the beginning of the movement and the period of history which we call the Reformation. Since that milestone Anniversary Year, other 500th Anniversaries have also been celebrated, marking still more moments which took place during this important period of history.

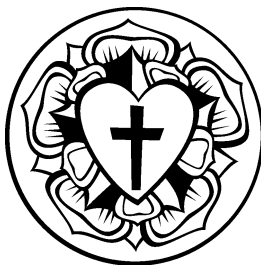
2026 marks another Reformation 500 moment—the publication and use in 1526 of Martin Luther's *Deutsche Messe*: The German Mass and Order of Service. Luther in 1523 had already written his

Formula Missae: the Order of Mass and Communion for the Church at Wittenberg. This writing outlined his reforms of the Medieval Roman Catholic Mass; yet in this service order, he retained the use of Latin as the primary language used in the liturgy. The German Mass which he outlined in his *Deutsche Messe* now fully used the language of the people, along with well-known hymns that allowed the congregation to sing portions of the service which had before often been sung in Latin by the choir. Luther's orders of service became the template which other reformers would use to reform the worship practices of the local churches and congregations they served, and which still defines the Divine Service that remains in use among Lutherans to this day.

About Today's Order of Worship

During our celebration today we will be using the order of worship primarily outlined in our Lutheran Service Book as Divine Service, Setting Five. This setting is a compilation of the orders found in Luther's *Order of Mass and Communion for the Church at Wittenberg* of 1523 and *The German Mass and Order of Service* of 1526, as well as the Order of Service found in our Synod's *German Church Agenda* of 1856. This order is not an exact reproduction of the services held in the time of the Reformation or even of the early days of our Synod in America. Rather, like Luther's own orders, it follows a common outline that is adapted to local practice. Many of the Hymns used in this service are from the time of the Reformation, with several of them being of Luther's own composition.





**The Festival of the Reformation
*celebrating the 500th Anniversary
of Martin Luther's Deutsche Messe***

***The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2026***

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Welcome! As the seasons change and time continues to run its appointed course, people are always confronted with how change-filled our lives can be. The Pastor and People of Trinity are happy that you have come to worship with us this morning and to receive strength for daily life and living through God's holy Word and Sacraments. We hope and pray that as you go back into the change-filled world we live in, the changeless Christ that we proclaim in this place will go with you.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP

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 all temptations, defend them against all enemies of the Gospel, 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.

CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



THE DIVINE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT
*following the usages of Luther's Formula Missae of 1523
and Deutsche Messe of 1526, and the Synod Kirchen-Agende of 1856*

*Adapted from Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service, Setting Five
Page 213ff*

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Flute & Piano Prelude

“A Mighty Fortress”

The Words of Welcome

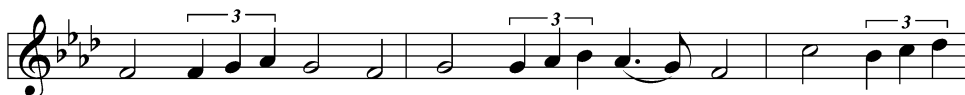
The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 578

“Thy Strong Word”

*A Hymn by Martin Franzmann (1907-76) written for our Synod's Concordia Seminary, St. Louis,
based on the Seminary's motto, “Light from Above”, 1954/9*



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



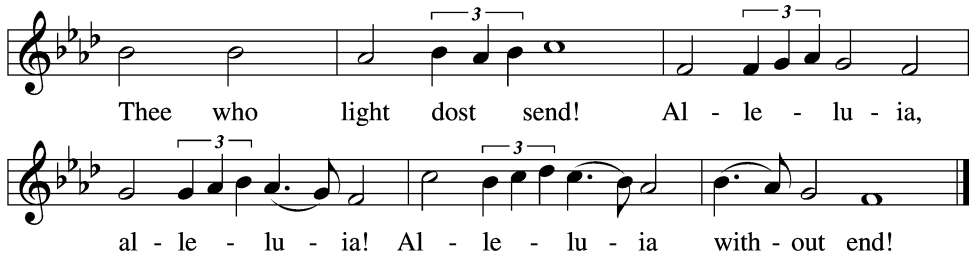
speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
night and deep as death, Broke the light of
Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy Name.
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias,
Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, Light-Creator,
To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the Holy Trinity!

Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–76

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The Invocation:

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

Adapted from the Synod Kirchen-Agende, 1856

- 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.

A time of silence is kept for reflection and personal 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.

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

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, listen 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 beginning, 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.



The Hymn of Praise

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 947

“All Glory Be to God on High”

A Paraphrase of the Gloria in Excelsis by Nicolaus Decius, 1525

1 All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His
 2 We praise and laud and wor - ship You; We give You thanks for -
 3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Be - got - ten of the
 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And source of con - so -

fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A
 ev - er, O Fa - ther, for Your rule is true And
 Fa - ther, Your sav - ing death has made us one With
 la - tion, Pro - tect us from the dev - il's might Through

child of God for - ev - er. God shows His good and
 just and chang - es nev - er. With bound - less pow'r, Your
 God and with each oth - er. O Lamb of God, to
 Je - sus, our sal - va - tion, Who by His death up -

gra - cious will And grants His peace, the world to fill—
 might - y reign Ful - fills what - ev - er You or - dain.
 You on high In our dis - tress we sin - ners cry,
 on a tree Has res - cued us from mis - er - y:

All strife at last has end - ed.
 Lord, grant us ev - 'ry bless - ing!
 Have mer - cy on us, a - men!
 To this we hold for - ev - er.

Text: Nicolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546; tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006

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The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

The Congregation is seated.

The First Reading

Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then 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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

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 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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

“Holy Manna”

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

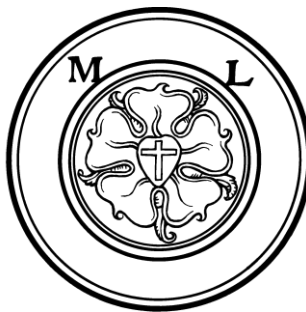
C Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.



The Creedal Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 954

“We All Believe in One True God”

*A Hymn Paraphrase of the Nicene Creed by Luther, 1524**Tune is a 14th Century chant melody used for the singing of the Credo in Latin.*


1 We all be - lieve in one true God, Who cre - at - ed
 2 We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, His own Son, our
 3 We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who, in high - est

earth and heav - en, The Fa - ther, who to us in love
 Lord, pos - sess - ing An e - qual God - head, throne, and might,
 heav - en dwell - ing With God the Fa - ther and the Son,

Has the right of chil - dren giv - en. He in soul and
 Source of ev - 'ry grace and bless - ing; Born of Mar - y,
 Com - forts us be - yond all tell - ing; Who the Church, His

bod - y feeds us; All we need His hand pro - vides us;
 vir - gin moth - er, By the pow - er of the Spir - it,
 own cre - a - tion, Keeps in u - ni - ty of spir - it.

Through all snares and per - ils leads us, Watch - ing that no
 Word made flesh, our el - der broth - er; That the lost might
 Here for - give - ness and sal - va - tion Dai - ly come through

harm be - tide us. He cares for us by
 life in - her - it, Was cru - ci - fied for
 Je - sus' mer - it. All flesh shall rise, and

day and night; All things are gov-erned by His might.
 all our sin And raised by God to life a - gain.
 we shall be In bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

A - men, a - men. A - men.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.

Tune: WIR GLAUBEN ALL (Chant), Latin, 14th cent., adapt.

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The Congregation is seated.

The Sermon

“The Truth Will Set You Free...”

Text: John 8:31-36

The Congregation rises.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 655

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

A prayer-hymn by Luther, 1541/2

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and

by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
 u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal

Son And bring to naught all He has done.
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 strife And lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: ERHALT UNS, HERR, Geistliche Lieder auffß new gebessert, 1543, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug

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The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

- P** Remember, heavenly Father, Your holy Church, which Your Son redeemed to be His beloved Bride by His own blood and which Your Spirit has gathered to You in living faith. Protect Your people from every deceit of the enemy and strengthen them in their mission of proclaiming Your Gospel to every creature. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** Remember, Lord, all pastors, teachers, deaconesses, and missionaries of Your Church. Grant them to hold and teach the faith once delivered to the saints, boldly proclaiming to the world the righteousness that is wholly Your gift in the Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** Remember, Lord, our Trinity and Mekane Yesus congregations, and every congregation of our Synod, and strengthen us to be bold confessors of the hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** Remember, Lord, all the nations of the world. Grant peace to all places where strife and trouble reign. Thwart the schemes of those who promote lawlessness and violence, and sustain the countless number who suffer at the hands of the wicked. Grant all people good and faithful rulers who seek the common good, so that all may live in quietness. Lord, in Your mercy,

- P** Remember, Lord, all who cry out to You for healing in their lives, especially _____. Behold, visit, and relieve them, granting to each hurting heart what You know to be best for their eternal wellbeing. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** Remember, Lord, all those who mourn the death of loved ones (*especially ...*). By the proclamation of Christ’s victory over death grant comfort and assurance that all who die in Christ will surely rise to eternal life on the Last Day. Help us all to live each day in that confidence so that we may face our final hour in confidence and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Remember, Lord, all those who celebrate Your great and abundant blessings to them, especially _____. Continue to bring them joy and move us all to be ever thankful for all the blessings that come to us from Your loving hand. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Remember, Lord, every child of Your creating. Hear the prayers of Your children for all of the needs and concerns we have, especially remembering _____, as well as the requests of those who have asked for our prayers, which we present to You from the things unspoken and hidden in our hearts.... And we pray You to hear and accept our prayers, granting us all things that seem best for us according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Remember, Lord, all who approach Your holy altar today, that they may find in the gift of the Savior's Body and Blood, assurance of Your love, hope for the future, and strength to bear their crosses with grace and confidence. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Thanks and praise to You, Lord, for St. Simon and St. Jude; Dorcas, Lydia, and Phoebe; Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heerman, and Paul Gerhardt; and all of Your saints who have gone on before us, boldly confessing in word and deed the freedom that our Lord Jesus Christ has brought to the world. We especially thank You also for Martin Luther, Phillip Melanchthon, Martin Chemnitz, and all others who were leaders of every time and place who boldly and courageously confessed our Lutheran Christian faith. May we, like them, ever stand firm in the truth of Your Word and come to the everlasting joys which You have prepared for those who believe and trust in Your salvation alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

P Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to His grace.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always!

C **And also with you.**

The Congregation is seated.

✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 617

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”

Luther's Hymn (stanzas 1b, 2 & 3) on the Lord's Supper, 1524



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,
2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor

In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy
Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -

bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -
geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this

they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!
of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!

May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy
Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that

sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue and Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Drawn from Luther's Admonition to the Communicants, Deutsche Messe, 1526

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 Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His Body and Blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious Blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His Body and Blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

P Commanded by Christ's saving precepts and informed by His divine instruction, we are bold to say:

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord:

Chant tone by Luther from the Deutsche Messe, 1526

- P** In the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:
- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The *Pax Domini*:

P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

The *Agnus Dei*:*German Version, “Christe, du Lamm Gottes”, Bugenhagen’s Braunschweig Church Order, 1528*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Music at the Distribution:

“Set Us Free, Lord” – The Trinity Singers

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Collect:

By Luther from the Deutsche Messe, 1526

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Benediction:

*Selected from Luther's Formula Missae, 1523***P** God, our God, shall bless us.**C** God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!*Psalm 67:6-7***P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

*Numbers 6:24-27***C** Amen.

The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 656

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Luther's Paraphrase of Psalm 46, 1527/8

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
 2 With might of ours can naught be done,
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main

A trust - y shield and weap - on;
 Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;

He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
 But for us fights the val - iant One,
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
 He's by our side up - on the plain

That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
 Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.

The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,

dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is; Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,

Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -

is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main - eth.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

✠ To God Be All Praise and Glory! ✠



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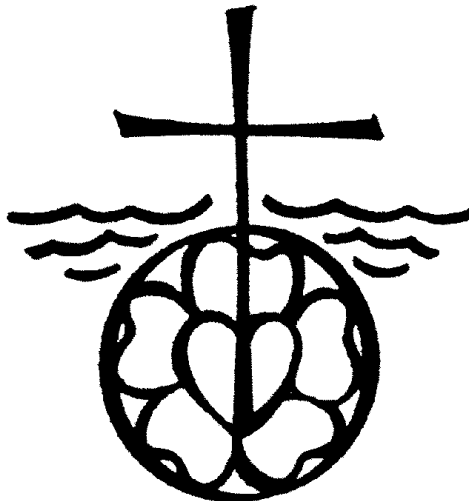
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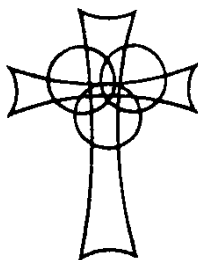
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THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP

The Celebrant & Preacher
The Lector
The Communion Assistant
The Worship Assistant
The Choir
The Flutist
The Parish Musician

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
Sarah Lydia McCoyer
Adam McCoyer
Paul Ritter
The Trinity Singers
Susan Kennedy
Skip Hall





NOTES AND NEWS

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

TIME CHANGE REMINDER... Don't forget to set your clocks *back* one hour this coming weekend as Daylight Savings Time comes to an end on Saturday.

"THE CHOSEN" AT TRINITY ... Thank you to all those who came yesterday to attend our preview viewing of Episode One of Season Six of "The Chosen". We pray that it was a wonderful moment of reflection and learning the account of the beginning of our Lord Jesus' Passion.

Season Six of "The Chosen" retells the story of Jesus' last day, beginning with His betrayal by Judas, His trials, and His death and burial. This new season will be released on Prime Video and other online platforms on November 15th, beginning with the first three episodes. Three more episodes will be released over the following three weeks, and the season will conclude in theaters with a feature film to be released in March 2027, just before Holy Week.

The first five seasons of "The Chosen" can be viewed for free on Prime Video. If you are not subscribed to Prime, you can also watch through using "The Chosen" App, which is also free and available on both Google Play and the Apple App Store; or you can also view by visiting online at thechosen.tv. (Season Six will not yet be available on the App until after its "exclusive contractual obligation period" with Prime Video expires.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

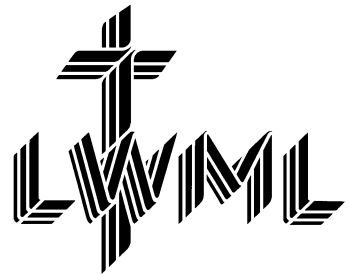
ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for **2026** is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement remains at **\$50.00**, mainly owing to delivery charges, which we hope will not increase. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

NEWS FROM OUR LOCAL LUTHERAN COMMUNITY:



SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE LUTHERAN MISSION SOCIETY OF MARYLAND ... and their Compassion Place Centers, including our own Hyattsville Center, by attending LMS' Bull and Oyster Roast on **Sunday, November 8th** from 2-5 PM at The Lodge in Catonsville, MD. The event will include a big menu, games, prizes, and a silent auction all to support the great cause of the ministry of helping our neighbors in their physical and spiritual need. The prices for tickets are: \$70.00 for adults; \$25.00 for children 9-13; and children 8 and under eat free. You can reserve your tickets by calling LMS at 410-636-0123, or by sending a message to email@compassionplace.org. Flyers are available with more information on the literature table in the back of the sanctuary.

WOMEN OF TRINITY ... are invited to attend the Fall Rally of the DCMARVA Zone of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. This event will be held on **Saturday, November 21st** from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Lutheran Church of Our Savior in Bryans Road, MD. The theme for the day is "Joyful, Patient, and Prayerful" from Romans 12:12. Information regarding the cost, schedule, and items for the ingathering which will be taken that day can be found on the event announcement flyers which are on the literature table in the back of the sanctuary.



LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUE.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUEradio on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo), [X](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org: Tune in for “There Is a Redeemer”, our study of the book of Job on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET)! On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET), we’re wrapping up our study of Paul’s letters to the Corinthians. Follow along as we pick up with 2 Corinthians 11. On Concord Matters (October 31 at 11 a.m. ET), Pastor Finner and Rev. Dennis McFadden will be discussing Article 4 of the Epitome of the Formula of Concord, on good works. Where do our good works originate? Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... What we will be has not yet appeared. But even now, we are God’s adopted children, through faith in Christ. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, November 1, 2026, for this message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, “What We Will Be”. The Lutheran Hour can be heard online on KFUE.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM, as well as on SiriusXM’s Family Talk 131 channel on Sundays at 10:00 AM. For more ways to listen, to hear messages on demand, or for more information on this media ministry, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at www.lhm.org, and click on “The Lutheran Hour” link. You can also view many of the other devotional and spiritual life materials provided by Lutheran Hour ministries as well.

OTHER MEDIA MINISTRIES FOR YOUR LISTENING AND VIEWING ...

KXFN RADIO available on the KFUE app for your phone
KFUE’s sister station; 24/7 sacred music streamed right to your phone

LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO lutheranpublicradio.org
24/7 internet radio station with *Sacred Music for the World* (also available as an app).

ISSUES, ETC issuesetc.org
A program of *Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused Talk Radio*.
Airs Monday-Friday from 4-6 p.m. ET, both on its website and on kfuo.org.
Archived shows are also available to listen to at any time.

WORSHIP ANEW worshipanew.org
Weekly Lutheran Worship services online and devotions.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

THIS WEEK'S FEASTS, FESTIVALS, AND COMMEMORATIONS...

October 25	Dorcas (Tabitha), Lydia, and Phoebe, Faithful Women
October 26	Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heermann, Paul Gerhardt, Hymnwriters
October 28	St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles
October 31	Reformation Day All Hallows' Eve

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.



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Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum
The Word of the Lord Endures Forever

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma, our center coordinator. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

There continues to be increased need to help feed those in our community. In order to keep our pantry shelves well-stocked to meet the needs of our neighbors, we will continue to receive your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Cereal; Peanut Butter; Pasta and Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Rice; Soups;
Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Canned Vegetables (both green and color)

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' (sizes 10-18), girls' (sizes 10-14), and men's (especially small and medium) clothing.

There is always a demand for diapers and wipes, especially sizes 3, 4, 5, and pull-ups 2T-4T.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Center Hours: ***Please Note the New Center Hours:***

Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM

Food Distribution on both days between 10 AM – 12 PM

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23



PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ...

The Feast of All Saints

November 1, 2026

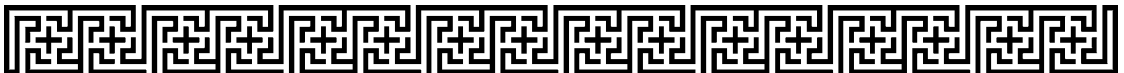
Scripture Readings: Revelation 7:9-17

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25 – NOVEMBER 1
May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Festival of the Reformation (Observed)</i>	
	9:30 AM	Festival Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Thursday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Saturday	Daylight Savings Time Ends <i>Remember to set your clocks back one hour tonight</i>	
Next Sunday	<i>The Feast of All Saints</i>	
	9:30 AM	Festival Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)



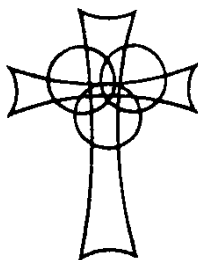
CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, October 18, 2026
 Worship Attendance: 26; Communed: 26.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026:

General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$10,892
 General Offerings needed to meet the budget: \$11,148
 Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0
 Balance in Thrivent mutual funds: ~\$60,900

Special Improvement Fund Offerings received to date (July-September): \$1,535



✠ O Christ, Hear Us! ✠

Intercessions for the Week of October 25, 2026

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, Tracy, Ernie, Paul, Angela, and Anteneh

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;
Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Caron, former Concordia School Teacher;
Jari, former Concordia School Teacher; Nathan, son of Art; Bernie, friend of Trinity;
Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;
Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;
Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole; Craig, husband of Edith;
Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Raymond, brother of Joy;
Daniel, friend of Cullen; Mr. Emanuel, husband of Shelda;
Mary, former Concordia Teacher; Jim, friend of Michelle; Millie, co-worker of Joyce;
Pat, mother of Kim; Sean, friend of Joyce & Dave; Kelly, co-worker's spouse of Joyce;
Leo, relative of Carole; Carolyn, daughter of Susan; Ann, friend of Judy;
Shirley, aunt of Kim; Eliot, son of Ryan & Ryann; Kaylee, great-niece of Noel;
Ralph, uncle of Vincent & Tracy; Remy, son of co-worker of Kristina;
Joan, friend of Tracy; Kenneth, brother of Kim

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Maforbeng Sanga, Elizabeth Haney, Cassidy Bowman, and Kodie Hagedorn, who
celebrate their birthdays this week.

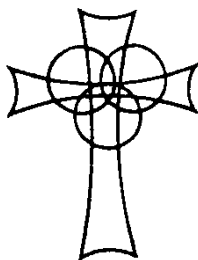
John & Sherri Hines, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane
Jesus in Maryland.
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity Members to a deeper
realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to
tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our
lives.

- ✘ For the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- ✘ For our Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, its leaders and mission, that we may always walk together in the bond of peace and proclaim the Risen Christ to the world.
- ✘ For our Southeastern District, its Congregations, Schools, and Ministries, that by our work and witness we will connect people to Jesus so that lives are transformed and the kingdom of God will grow.
- ✘ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of shedding their blood.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For all those affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For peace and reconciliation that brings an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For calm, civility, and peace in our nation's political and social discourse.
- ✘ For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ✘ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.







***Continuing the mission of
proclaiming the wonderful deeds of God,
while we live under His abiding love.***

***...as it was in the beginning,
is now,
and will be forever.
Amen!***

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
4000 – 30th Street
at the intersection of 30th Street and Bunker Hill Road
Mount Rainier, Maryland 20712

Sunday Mornings:
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

*Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live
For more information, please visit the church website.*

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The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor



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