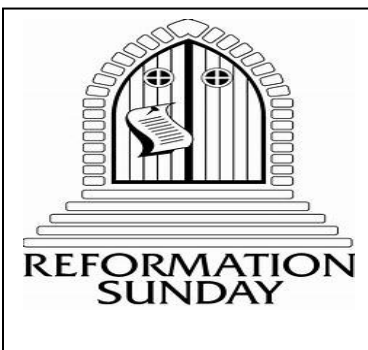




DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One Modified

Standing in the Shadow of the Cross

Reformation Day (Observed)

Sunday, October 25, 2026

Please stand



Processional Hymn: LSB # 657 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe, with craft and dreadful might
He arms himself to fight, On earth he has no equal.
2. No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God Himself elected.
You ask who This may be? The Lord of hosts is He, Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son adored. He holds the field victorious.
3. Though hordes of devils fill the land all threatening to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot over power us.
Let the world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage, his might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.
4. God's Word forever shall abide, No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God Himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child or spouse, though life be wretched
Away, They cannot win the day. The Kingdom's ours forever!

Greeting and Announcements

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Kneel/Stand, Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: LSB 805 “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Sunday school students are released to their teachers.

Service of the Word

Introit

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

P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, O Lord,

C **and shall not be put to shame.**

P I will bless the Lord at all times;

C **His praise shall be continually in my mouth.**

P My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

C **let the humble hear and be glad.**

P Come, O children, listen to me;

C **I will teach you the fear of the Lord.**

P The Lord redeems the life of his servants;

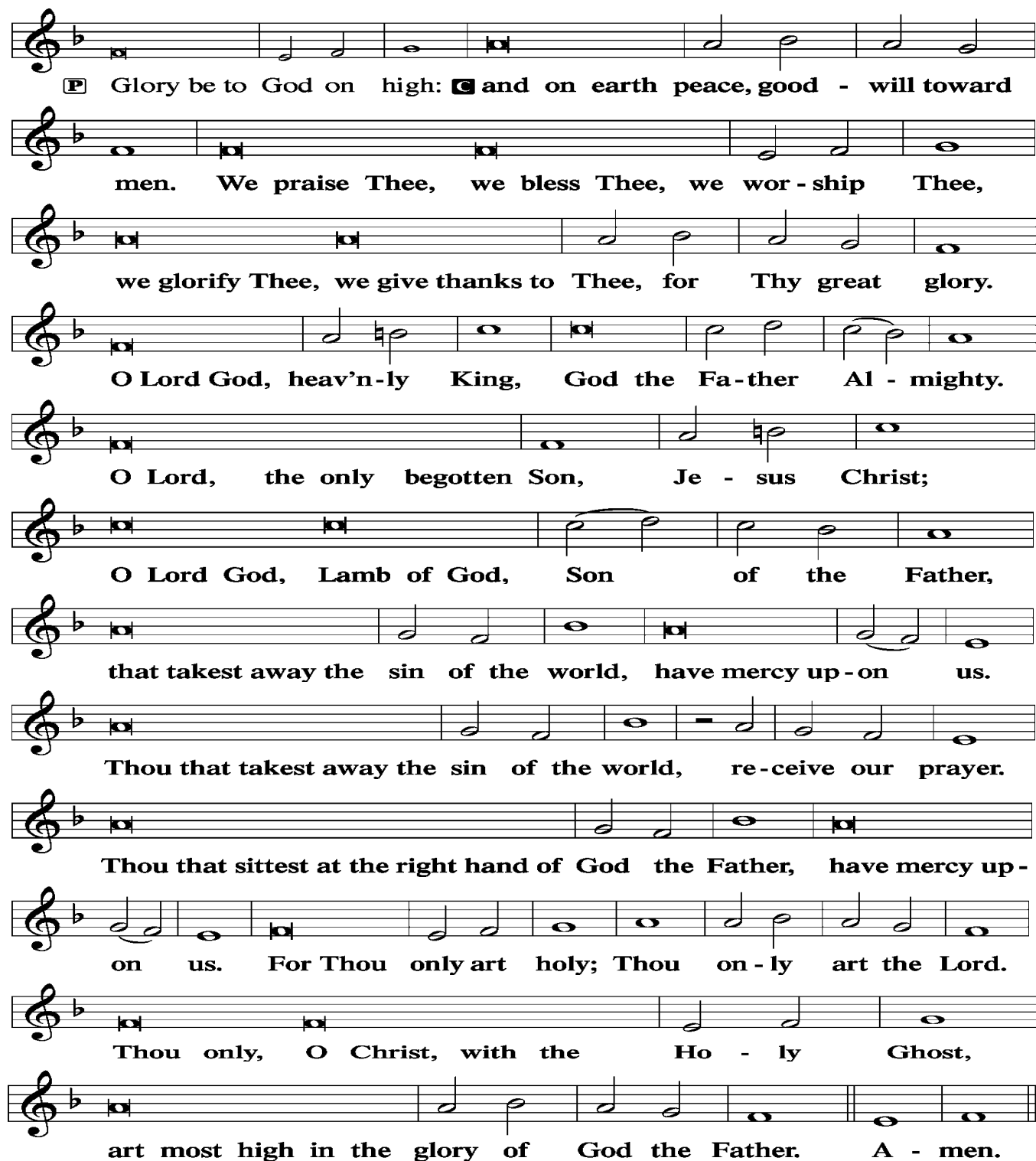
C none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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,

C **and shall not be put to shame.**

Gloria in Excelsis



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

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.**

Please be seated

First Reading

Revelation 14:6-7

⁶ 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. ⁷ And 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."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Ps 48:1a, 12-14a

C **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

¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom 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. ²⁶ It 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. ²⁷ Then 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. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music - SOTC choir singing "God is Our Refuge and Strength"

Please stand

Hymn: # 98 TFBF "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Open our eyes, Lord We Want to see Jesus, To reach out and touch Him And say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord And help us to listen, Open or eyes, Lord, We want to see Jesus.

Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

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

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Please be seated

Hymn: LSB # 644 "The Church's One Foundation"

1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the Word.
From heav'n he came and sought her to be His holy bride;
with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

2. Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.
3. Though with a scornful wonder, the world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
4. Through toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
5. Yet she on earth has union with the God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O blessed, heavenly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
that we, like saints before us, may see You face to face

Sermon: "The Eternal Gospel"

Sermon Text: Revelation 14:6-7

Please stand

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 T everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated

Offering & Please sign the red fellowship book at the end of the pew.

Please stand.

Offertory

LSB 955



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

Prayer of the Church

P Feel free to remain standing, be seated, or come to the altar to pray

Hymn: TFBF # 247 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

C Lord, listen to Your children praying; Lord, send Your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to Your children praying; send us love, send us power, send us grace.

P You may return to your seats, the Lord has heard your prayers (**All stand**)