

Reformation Sunday, October 25th, 2026
Sermon Series: “Surrender: Serving the Savior”
“Freedom.” Text(s): *Romans 3.22-25; John 8.31-36.*
(Reformation Sunday)

The Reforming Foundation...The Gospel!

The Gospel: εὐαγγέλιον (*euangelion*): Lit., “A good message.”

The Gospel Message...

A New _____.

*Romans 3.21-22a 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....*

Righteousness: δικαιοσύνη (*dikaíosynē*): “Justice; righteousness” “To be put right with.”

“A validating performance record which opens doors.”

*Romans 3.22b-25a ... 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...*

“Jesus lived the life we do not live...Jesus died the death that we deserve.”

A New _____.

John 8.31-32, 34b-36 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.”...³⁴ “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices 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.

The Gospel: “We are more broken and sinful than we dare to believe...at the same time we are more loved and accepted than we ever dare to hope.”

(Answers: Life. Home.)