

Reformation
20th Sunday After Pentecost
10-26-25

† GOD CALLS US †
OPENING SONG
“The Church’s One Foundation” (v. 1 & 2)

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.

THE INVOCATION (MON)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen!

Baptism (8:30 & 11 AM)
Tarik Nicholas Monroe
Sawyer Grace Grandchamp

† GOD CLEANSSES US †

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

ALL: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

ALL: But with you there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor: Together as God's people, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying; God be merciful to me a sinner.

ALL: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I declare with joy, "Your sins are forgiven!" In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

**SONG OF PRAISE
"His Mercy Is More"**

**What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum;
thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
our sins they are many, his mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn;
our sins they are many, his mercy is more!**

**What patience would wait as we constantly roam,
what Father so tender is calling us home!
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor;
our sins they are many, his mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn;
our sins they are many, his mercy is more!**

**What riches of kindness he lavished on us;
his blood was the payment, his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
our sins they are many his mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn;
our sins they are many, his mercy is more!
Our sins they are many,
his mercy is more!**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you all!

ALL: And also with you!

† GOD SPEAKS WITH US †

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

³ though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging. [c]

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

⁵ God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.

⁶ Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

⁷ The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

⁸ Come and see what the Lord has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹ He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields [d] with fire.

¹⁰ He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹ The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

EPISTLE
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God^[a] may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge:

² Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³ For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine.

Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴ They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵ But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

HOLY GOSPEL
Luke 18:9-17

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰ “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

¹¹ The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’

¹³ “But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’

¹⁴ “I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹⁵ People were also bringing babies to Jesus for him to place his hands on them. When the disciples saw this, they rebuked them. ¹⁶ But Jesus called the children to him and said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁷ Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:
The Apostles’ Creed (MON)**

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

**SONG OF THE DAY
“Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me”
(The Sing Hymnal 594) (NEW SONG)**

**What a gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer;
there is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.**

**To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,
for my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.**

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
for by my side, the Savior, he will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
for in my need his power is displayed.

To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me;
through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven;
the future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to over throw the grave.

To this I hold: my sin has been defeated;
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With ev'ry breath I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus;
all the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

THE MESSAGE

BRINGING OF OUR BLESSINGS
with Thanksgiving in our Offering

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER (MON)

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

† GOD GIVES TO US †

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

“Thy Strong Word”

1-Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee,
While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

2-Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation,
Breathed Thine own life breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

3-Thy strong Word be-speaks us righteous;
Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory,
And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

4-From the cross Thy wisdom shining
Breaketh forth in conqu’ring might;
From the cross forever beameth
All Thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

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

“Jesus Thy Blood and Righteousness”

1. Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress:
Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

2. Bold shall I stand in that great day,
Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay;
Fully absolved through these I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

3. Lord, I believe Thy precious blood,
Which at the mercy seat of God
Pleads for the captives' liberty,
Was also shed in love for me.

4. Lord, I believe, were sinners more
Than sands upon the ocean shore,
Thou hast for all a ransom paid,
For all a full atonement made.

5. When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea:
Jesus lived and died for me.

6. Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,

Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

DISMISSAL

CLOSING SONG

**“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
-LSB 657 USE THIS ONE**

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.

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.

Though hordes of devils fill the land,
All threatening to devour us,
We tremble not, unmoved we stand,
They cannot overpower us
Let this 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.

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 wrenched away,
They cannot win the day
The Kingdom's ours forever!**

† GOD BLESSES US & SENDS US OUT †

BLESSING

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

ALL: Amen!

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!