



Reformation Sunday

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Order of Worship

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Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)

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Welcome to God's House today!!!

A special welcome to visitors and guests; we are pleased that you have joined us today! If you have no church family, and if we can be of any help to you, please speak with the pastor after the service. We invite all guests to sign the Guest Register. We pray you will feel God's love for you and be empowered to live as God's child this week.

Today's Focus – God's Love is visible in Jesus Christ

The celebration of the Festival of the Reformation is not an ecclesiastical Homecoming. Nor should it be an opportunity to celebrate the glories of our heritage and tradition. Our boasting has been excluded by the law of faith. The lessons remind us that our freedom, our salvation, our identity does not find its source in the things of this world, not even in the law and covenant once given by God, but rather in the sacrifice of Christ and the gift of faith. The basis for our relationship with God in Christ. The church militant must always be in the process of reformation for it is always, in itself, in need of forgiveness, faith and new life.

Children are welcome in worship! If childcare is needed, an unattended nursery is open during worship services. It is located across from the restrooms next to the Church Offices.

Is there something you'd like us to pray for today? "Prayer Request" cards are in each pew. Please hand your request to an usher before the service or during the offering. They will give them to the pastor to include in the prayers for today.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. We joyfully share our conviction that this is The Lord's Table. We receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, together with the bread and wine in a manner our human reason cannot understand. (Real Presence) By communing together with our Lord:

- we express the belief that Jesus is the Son of God and Son of Man;
- that Jesus is our Savior and only way for salvation;
- that Jesus offers us His Body and Blood in a mysterious yet real way;
- that Christ's sacrificial death grants the forgiveness of our sins;
- and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a more godly; life and to amend with the help of the Holy Spirit, those areas not in conformity with God's will.

We declare these statements because it is our concern for people to not be hypocritical between their faith and celebrate the blessings of God's Table at the Altar. Persons unable to approach the Altar may be communed in the pew, please notify the Pastor or Elder if you wish this service.

The white wine is denatured (alcohol removed)

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AS WE GATHER

October 31st, 1517, the day Martin Luther nailed his "95 Theses" on the door of the Castle Church at Wittenburg, is popularly commemorated as the birthday of the Protestant Reformation. Today we focus on the central evangelical doctrine that we are justified by God's grace through faith for Christ's sake and celebrate that as our faith calls on the name of the Lord...our faith confesses our sin... our faith feeds on God's Word...our faith bears fruit...and our faith finds ultimate satisfaction in Christ's presence.

✠ *WE ENTER TO WORSHIP and BE BLESSED* ✠

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"* LSB 657

INVOCATION

OUR CONFESSION OF OUR SINS

THE DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

A SONG OF PRAISE *"All Glory Be to God Alone"* LSB 948

PRAYER FOR THE DAY *Luther's Morning Prayer*

✠ **THE LORD COMES TO US IN HIS WORD** ✠

PSALM 46

ESV

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans 3:19-28

ESV

GOSPEL ANTHEM *"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"* Townsend

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 11:12-19

ESV

THE CONFESSION –

The Second Article of the **THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"* LSB 912

THE SERMON *"Pointing to Jesus"* *Matthew 11:12-19*

✠ **OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD** ✠

THE OFFERTORY *"Create in Me"*

Mary Rice Hopkins

THE OFFERINGS of THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS of GOD'S PEOPLE

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

"Thy Strong Word"

LSB 578

+ Silent Prayer +

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

✠ **WE DEPART TO SERVE** ✠

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The **Annual Voter's Meeting** will be on **Nov 11** after the service.

On December 9th, the MNS District president, Rev. Dr. Lucas Woodford will be here to discuss the future plans of GDLC.

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

October 28 "Stranger Than Fiction" (Romans 3:19-28)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

God is the Author Who becomes part of the story--our story. The Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler presents his first message as LH Speaker

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

November 4 "The Problem of Heaven" (Rev. 7:9-18)

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

What if we get to heaven--and we don't like it?

On Sunday mornings, listen on 830 AM WCCO AM at 6:05 am, or 1110 AM, Omaha, at 6:30 am, or XM 170 Satellite Radio on Sundays at noon or listen anytime at www.lutheranhour.org

STEWARDSHIP: Oct. 28 (Reformation Day)

Romans 3:20 – "For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin." The Law of God is good – it's just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God's holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light as well – as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: October 28 "God justifies sinners by grace through faith for Jesus' sake. Salvation comes as a gift and not because of one's own works. This truth stands at the heart of all Christians say and do ... God's graciousness governs how we engage life issues. Not only are human beings forgiven, redeemed, and resurrected by grace, but every human life is valued and beloved by grace—age, appearance, and ability notwithstanding. Even after 500 years, we rejoice to proclaim and perform this Gospel." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

10/28 Sun	Reformation Sunday (October 31)	
	8:45 am	Education Hour
	10:00 am	Worship
	6:00 pm	NA
10/29 Mon	6:30 pm	AIAnon 1
	8:00 pm	AA/AIAnon 2
10/31 Wed	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:30 pm	TLWCC Bible Class
11/01 Thurs	6:00 pm	Ohnstad/Brehm Wedding Rehearsal
11/02 Fri	3:00 pm	Ohnstad/Brehm Wedding
	5:00 pm	TLWCC Music Practice
	8:00 pm	AA/AIAnon
11/03 Sat	10:00 am	TLWCC Worship
	6:00 pm	TLWCC Worship & Fellowship
11/04 Sun	All Saints' Day HC	
	8:45 am	Education Hour
	10:00 am	Worship w/HC
	6:00 pm	NA



REFORMATION
Sunday

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Ushers: Dale Raschke and Wade Billmeyer

Counters: Verlayne Sather and Bev Svac

Altar Care: Sandy Westling

Attendance: 10/21/2018: 31

Offerings -- Regular \$1,350; Loose Plate \$520.21; Harris Memorial \$100

Total: \$1,970.21

Needed each week for 2018: \$3,480.87



Contribute to the Street Repair Fund

Our assessment of approximately \$18,000 will be paid in November. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please mark your envelope "Street Repair."

**Thank you, Thank you, Thank you
to everyone who has already contributed!**

BIRTHDAYS: Nov 2nd Daniel Harris

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: None

FLOWERS: None

PRAYER CONCERNS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS Jean Brede, Karmon Christopherson,
Millie Demcho, Millie Eckhardt, Deb Forsberg, Muriel Lindstrom,
Robert & Delores Kluwe, Lorriane Niemela, Nanc Rixe,
Ada Samson

IN OUR EXTENDED PRAYERS

Henry Joseph Betterman (Layne's Grand-Nephew) born Aug 26

He is now experiencing Supraventricular tachycardia (SVT)
(abnormal heart rhythm) and is in the hospital.

Larry Derksen (Shirley's brother) – recovery from surgery

Lewis & Vera Gade (Pastor's parents) COPD/dementia

John Gillund (Patty & Meridel's brother) medical issues

Dick Gillund (Patty & Meridel's brother) medical issues

Elaine Gillund – surgery and radiation

Roxie Johnson (Morelli's niece) heart issues

Steve Kaiser (friend of Patty Lyrenmann's brother) – COPD

Jack Olson (brother-in-law to Meridel and Patty) former member
of Gloria Dei, complications of kidney failure after heart surgery

Mary Phillips and Dan Crocker – Chronic Illness

Doris Rixe, (Nanc's mother) – heart valve issues

Jimmy Royal & Dave (friends of Dick Gillund)

NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after 8 weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another 8 weeks, please contact the church office.

Those Battling Cancer

Lynn & Edith Engel (friends of Sandy & Bob Bauer) Radiation

Amy Price (Morelli's niece) – treatments for stage 4 cancer

Marvin & Norma Thor – poor health/stomach cancer

Nancy Tousant (Krystal Kruse's co-worker) – Cancer

Those Serving our Country in Dangerous Areas

"IN OUR PRAYERS" AND "REQUESTED PRAYERS"

If you have family members or friends who require our prayers, please use the prayer request cards found in the pews or at the Ushers' counter and give to the office. They will be added to the Prayer list. Any updates to the current list?

Pastor Appreciation Month

I want to thank all of you for the cards and kind comments and those who took me out for a wonderful meal!!!

Pastor Gade

Wellness Wednesday - Cooking for One - Oct 31, 1-2 pm

1717 2nd Street NE (Across from East Side's main building)

What are the benefits of cooking at home for yourself?

What are the challenges? We will have tips and recipes to help you stay motivated. Join the conversation and sample a dish you can make at home. To register, call 612-787-4045 or email TeamEVA@esns.org. The cost is based on ability to pay.

My Fair Lady Presented by Morris Park Players

Show Dates: October 27, (28) and November 2, (3), (4), 9, 10, (11). All shows are at 7:30 pm except those in parentheses which are at 2pm. All seats available for purchase in advance online at www.morrisparkplayers.org. (Adults \$20; Students/Seniors \$15) OR call 612-470-7153. Edison HS Auditorium — 700 22nd Ave NE, Minneapolis. Main Entrance

Annual Christkindlmarkt

Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, November 10th 9 am to 2 pm

Many and Varied Vendors – Coffee and Rolls 9 am

Lunch – 11 am Homemade Soup, Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs, Pies

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

3430 East 51st St Mpls, MN

SENIOR LINKAGE LINE When you are looking for information and help and don't know where to start, call the Senior Linkage Line (M-F 8:00 am-4:30 pm) at 1-800-333-2433. Trained information specialists answer your call. They work to understand your needs and goals and connect you to services that support them. To locate resources online, go to www.MinnesotaHelp.info and click the "Senior Link".

Operation Christmas Child

Consider giving a shoebox to a child overseas who may not otherwise receive a gift this Christmas season.

Shoe boxes will be collected Sunday, November 11th

DO NOT INCLUDE - Used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures, chocolate or food, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers, aerosol cans.



Cabaret of Hope

St. Matthew Community Theater

4101 Washington Street NE, Columbia Heights, will present "A Million Dreams – A Voice of Hope Concert" in three performances, November 2 & 3 at 7:30 pm and November 4 at 2 pm. The concert is free, but donations will be accepted as we partner with Life for a Child in Christ, to build an orphanage and school in Liberia and in support of our spring musical. Social hours will be held one hour prior to each performance, featuring great food and drink, tickets for the social hours are \$10 each and are available through the church office by calling 763-788-9427.

Fall street sweeping begins October 23 and runs through November 20

Crews are preparing to sweep streets across Minneapolis to completely clean the streets before winter, and keep leaves and debris out of the storm drains and ending up in our lakes and rivers. On October 23, Minneapolis Public Works will begin a four-week run of curb-to-curb sweeping and leaf collection on 1,000 miles of streets throughout the city. Temporary "No Parking" signs will be posted at least 24 hours in advance. Residents can visit minneapolismn.gov/streetsweeping to find out when the sweepers are coming through their neighborhoods. Street sweeping is explained in English, as part of the City's "Did you know..." series of short videos viewed at YouTube.com/cityofminneapolis or on Mpls City TV. Residents who have friends or neighbors who speak these languages are encouraged to share links to the videos.



Church Bazaar

Messiah Lutheran Church
2848 County Road H2, Mounds View

TWIN CITIES SALVATION ARMY Bell

ringers are help when



Ring Thousands of volunteer bell needed this Christmas season. You can you sign up online at [Salvation Army Bell Ringers.com](http://SalvationArmyBellRingers.com). You'll receive a confirmation

email with your selected shifts to confirm that your registration was received. To sign up by phone, or for any questions, please call our Twin Cities bell ringing hotline at 651-746-3519. **Online registration for 2018 is now open.**

Thanks for supporting The Salvation Army!

Thanks to all the 2017 ringers, **\$2.6 million** was raised and is being used for programs that serve individuals and families in crisis.

TOGETHER IN MISSION



At the Annual Voter's Meeting in November 2017, Gloria Dei voted to become a TOGETHER IN MISSION congregation. This partnership agreement means because of our desire to participate more directly and personally in God's mission of bringing the Good News of salvation to the very ends of the earth, we committed ourselves to support the mission endeavors of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod through LCMS

Mission Advancement in partnership with **Missionary Kayla Hoem while she is in Spain.**

Our agreement to support Missionary Kayla Hoem is the amount of **\$600** per year OR **\$150 per quarter**, payable quarterly for one year. This also includes praying in private and weekly in public worship and to communicate with Missionary Kayla through letters, cards, and e-mails.

Catechesis Note for the Week

"Is justification by faith an important doctrine?"

The teaching of justification by faith is what separates biblical Christianity from all other belief systems. In every religion, and in some branches of what is called "Christianity," man is working his way to God. Only in true, biblical Christianity is man saved as a result of God's grace coming to complete our salvation through faith. Only when we get back to the Bible do we see that justification is by faith, apart from works.

The word *justified* means "pronounced or treated as righteous or as in a court of law, "Not Guilty." For a Christian, justification is the act of God not only forgiving the believer's sins but also covering the sinner with the righteousness of Jesus Christ (Eph 2:8; Titus 3:5). A Christian, being declared righteous, is freed from the guilt of sin.

Justification is a completed work of God, and it is instantaneous, as opposed to sanctification, which is an ongoing process of growth by which we become more Christ-like (the act of "being saved," Sanctification occurs after justification.

Understanding the doctrine of justification is important for a Christian. First, it is the very knowledge of justification and of grace that motivates good works and spiritual growth; thus, justification leads to sanctification. Also, the fact that justification is a finished work of God means that Christians have assurance of their salvation. In God's eyes, believers have the righteousness necessary to gain eternal life.

Once a person is justified, there is nothing else he needs in order to gain entrance into heaven. Since justification comes by faith in Christ, based on HIS work on our behalf, our own works are disqualified as a means of salvation. There exist vast religious systems with complex theologies that teach the false doctrine of justification by works. But they are teaching "a different gospel—which is really no gospel at all" (Galatians 1:6–7).

The doctrine of justification by faith helps us maintain "pure devotion to Christ" (2 Corinthians 11:3). Holding to justification by faith keeps us from falling for the lie that we can earn heaven. There is no ritual, no sacrament, no deed that can make us worthy of the righteousness of Christ. It is only by His grace, in response to our faith, that God has credited to us the holiness of His Son. Both Old and New Testaments say, "The just shall live by faith" (Habakkuk 2:4; Romans 1:17; Gal. 3:11; Hebrews 10:38).

Today's Scripture Readings

Psalm 46: This was the favorite Psalm of Martin Luther. It inspired him to write his Famous Reformation song "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." As this Psalm states, one of the great things we must do in the time of trouble is to realize, not only, that God is a Refuge continually available; but we must also realize that God is resident in the fellowship of His saints, and very much alive here on earth. We can go even further than that, and we begin to discover that God is not only resident in the fellowship of His church, but in real Christians also, God is alive through the Holy Spirit.

Romans 3:19-28: *Sinners are justified by grace alone, through faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law. "the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the Law. Hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, "whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith" (Rom. 3:25), "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free"(John 8:31-32).*

Matthew 11:12-19: *The Kingdom of heaven has been coming into the world violently. Wherever the Gospel is preached and sinners are being brought into the Kingdom of God through faith in Christ, there is the violence. The Old Adam dies, sinners are claimed from the kingdom of darkness, and Satan becomes agitated by it all. Wherever the Gospel is preached and repentance is wrought in sinners, Satan will be close at hand to stir up trouble and agitate against the Christian faith and the claims of the Gospel. Christians should be taught to expect such upheaval from within and without. As it was in the days of John the Baptist when multitudes were being brought to faith, so it was in Luther's day, and so it will be in our own day.*

Next Week's Readings – All Saints' Day, Nov. 4th
Revelation 7:2-17; Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Reformation Day Prayer: **(October 31)**

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the discernment You gave the great reformer Martin Luther. You opened his eyes to faithfully preach Your Word. Grant us that same discernment. Bless those who have followed in Dr. Luther's footsteps by faithfully preaching Your Word. Help us to understand and apply the message of Law and Gospel to our daily life. Remind us that grace, faith, Scripture and Christ alone lead to salvation. Amen.

