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Reformation Sunday
October 26, 2025



The Divine Service

The Chorale Service



THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

God prepares us to come into his presence in the Divine Service by calling us to repent of our sins and giving us his absolution. Cleansed in this way, we come before God in humble confidence.

HYMN - 250, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

INVOCATION & CONFESSION OF SIN

(Pastor) In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

(All) Amen.

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
His mercy endures forever.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins:

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of the world:

We confess that we have sinned against Your divine majesty by thought, word and deed, provoking Your wrath against us. We earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for our sins. We grieve to think of them. Their burden is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, gracious Father! Forgive us our sins for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that we may serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lift up your hearts. The Lord God, according to His promise, is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. By the command of Christ and the authority of my holy office I forgive your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN - 34, “Kyrie, God Father in Heaven Above”

HYMN - 35, “All Glory Be to God on High”

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Let us pray:

O Lord God, heavenly Father: Pour out, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people; keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, defend us against all enemies of Your Word, and bestow upon Christ’s Church militant Your saving peace; through the same, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

Amen.



THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

God instructs and nourishes our faith by means of his Word. Hearing God’s inspired Word from the prophets, apostles, and evangelists, we confess our faith in creed and in song.

OLD TESTAMENT - 2 Chronicles 29:1-11, 15-19

Hezekiah began to reign when he was twenty-five years old, and he reigned twenty-nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Abijah the daughter of Zechariah. And he did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, according to all that David his father had done.

In the first year of his reign, in the first month, he opened the doors of the house of the Lord and repaired them. He brought in the priests and the Levites and assembled them in the square on the east and said to

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them, “Hear me, Levites! Now consecrate yourselves, and consecrate the house of the Lord, the God of your fathers, and carry out the filth from the Holy Place. For our fathers have been unfaithful and have done what was evil in the sight of the Lord our God. They have forsaken him and have turned away their faces from the habitation of the Lord and turned their backs. They also shut the doors of the vestibule and put out the lamps and have not burned incense or offered burnt offerings in the Holy Place to the God of Israel. Therefore the wrath of the Lord came on Judah and Jerusalem, and he has made them an object of horror, of astonishment, and of hissing, as you see with your own eyes. For behold, our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our wives are in captivity for this. Now it is in my heart to make a covenant with the Lord, the God of Israel, in order that his fierce anger may turn away from us. My sons, do not now be negligent, for the Lord has chosen you to stand in his presence, to minister to him and to be his ministers and make offerings to him.”

[The Levites] gathered their brothers and consecrated themselves and went in as the king had commanded, by the words of the Lord, to cleanse the house of the Lord. The priests went into the inner part of the house of the Lord to cleanse it, and they brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of the Lord into the court of the house of the Lord. And the Levites took it and carried it out to the brook Kidron. They began to consecrate on the first day of the first month, and on the eighth day of the month they came to the vestibule of the Lord. Then for eight days they consecrated the house of the Lord, and on the sixteenth day of the first month they finished. Then they went in to Hezekiah the king and said, “We have cleansed all the house of the Lord, the altar of burnt offering and all its utensils, and the table for the showbread and all its utensils. All the utensils that King Ahaz discarded in his reign when he was faithless, we have made ready and consecrated, and behold, they are before the altar of the Lord.”^(ESV)

EPISTLE - Revelation 14:6-7

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. 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.”^(ESV)

HOLY GOSPEL - John 8:31-36

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” 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?’” Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”^(ESV)

HYMN - 38, “We All Believe in One True God”

Children’s Choir, verse 1; **All, verses 2-3**

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition of the prayer concludes, “Lord in Your mercy,” to which the congregation replies, “**Hear our prayer.**”*

OFFERING

If you are visiting today, please do not feel obligated to give. If you prefer, you can give through our website, concordiaeauclaire.com/online-giving



THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

We now partake of the meal which God has given to his people, in which we are united with Christ our savior, and with each other as fellow members of His body.

EXHORTATION TO THE COMMUNICANTS

HYMN - 40, "Isaiah, Mighty Seer, in Days of Old"

Adult Choir, verse 1; **All, verse 2**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night on which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is My body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and 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 and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

HYMN - 41, "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

DISTRIBUTION

Following the guidance of the Scriptures and the example of the historic Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion. If you are not a member of our congregation or are not part of our greater fellowship (ELS-WELS), please refrain from communing. Non-communicants are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicating so by crossing their arms across their chest.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS - 327, "O Lord, We Praise Thee"
226, "By Grace I'm Saved"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us give thanks and pray.

Almighty God and Father, we thank You for feeding us with the most precious body and blood of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. Send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give ☩ you peace.

Amen.



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HYMN - 589, “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast”



Depart in Peace



Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are visiting, please sign our guest book before you leave, and please join us again.

Serving Today

Officiant – Rev. Paul Webber

Organist – Marta Webber

Lessons for next week:

Old Testament - Isaiah 25:6-9

Epistle - Revelation 7:9-17

Holy Gospel - Matthew 5:1-12