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As We Gather ""It's still all about Jesus." It was all about Jesus when the Lord God first promised a Savior to Adam, Eve, and their descendants. It was all about Jesus with every foretelling of the coming Christ by Old Testament prophets. It was all about Jesus at the manger, the cross, and the empty tomb. It was all about Jesus as the apostle Paul penned, "We hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law" (Romans 3:28). It was all about Jesus when Martin Luther posted his Ninety-Five Theses on October 31, 1517. It's still all about Jesus today as we receive the Means of Grace—Word and Sacrament. It will be all about Jesus when He returns in glory on the Last Day. As we observe the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, we celebrate that it always has been, and always will be, all about Jesus!

Attention Visitors We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. This holy meal is intended for Christians who acknowledge their need of God's forgiveness in their lives. The Bible teaches that Christ's body and blood are received with the elements of bread and wine and that Christians need to examine themselves before receiving this holy meal. (1Cor. 10 & 11). This meal further expresses a unity of faith as we gather at one table to receive the assurance of God's forgiveness through the body and blood of our Lord in the sacrament. We welcome baptized Christians to commune with us, those who believe and confess this same faith and understanding of the sacrament and of the Christian life. Persons who desire to receive grape juice select from the darker glasses. If you have any further questions concerning the sacrament, please ask to speak to the Pastor.

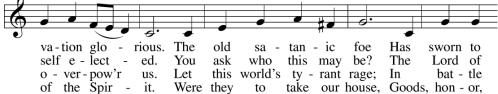
# PRELUDE WELCOME

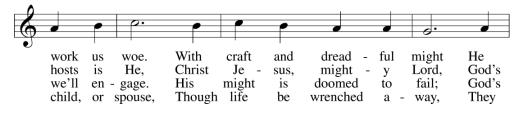
#### + PREPARATION +

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN

# "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"









INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy

Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: As you come to Christ, the living stone rejected by men

but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

People: For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame."

Pastor: So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe.

People: "The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," and, "A stone of stumbling and a rock

of offense."

Pastor: They stumble because they disobey the Word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own

possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

1 Peter 2:4–9

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: Because it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is proper that we examine ourselves, confess our sins, and ask His forgiveness.

People: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins, cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and set us free to serve in His name.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

(The confession reflects the "Solas"---"alones"--of the Reformation: Grace alone, Scripture alone, Faith alone in Jesus Christ alone.)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: We confess, merciful God, that we have let ourselves be enslaved to our selfish egos. We have expected to find Your favor because of our good works instead of relying on Your grace alone. Forgive us and reform us to know again the freedom You offer through Your perfect pardon.

Pastor: Our Savior's sacrifice was once and for all. God's grace

covers all your sins.

People: We confess, O Holy Spirit, that we have sought other assurances than those You have revealed through the sacred Scriptures. Our faith has waxed and waned according to our health, wealth, and earthly success; we have become captive to them instead of relying on Scripture alone. Forgive us and reform us to know again the freedom that rests on the gracious revelation of Your eternal plans for us.

Pastor: God's inspired Word speaks about our Savior, Jesus Christ, who has forgiven all your sins.

People: We confess, Lord Jesus, that we have become proud of our religious rituals, personal morality, and good names. We have trusted ourselves instead of Your gift of faith alone. Forgive us and reform us to know again the freedom that relies totally on Your promises.

Pastor: Through Baptism the Holy Spirit has worked faith in your hearts, and through God's Word and the Lord's Supper that faith is sustained and strengthened. What God promises, God delivers. By your faith in the suffering, death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ, all your sins have been forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The LORD of hosts is with us;

People: the God of Jacob is our fortress. Psalm 46: 7

Pastor: 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.

All: Amen.

#### **+THE WORD OF GOD+**

CHOIR "Let Us Go"

Isaiah 2:3



(The Truth Will Set You Free)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ.

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

# "Thy Strong Word"



#### MESSAGE

#### "An Eternal Gospel To Proclaim"

Revelation 14: 6-7

Pastor Mike Schultze

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

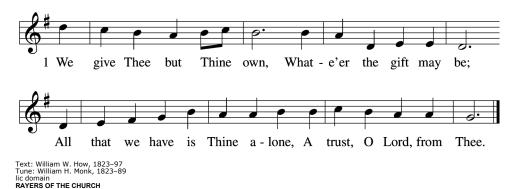
#### **OFFERING**

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your row. The ushers will pick it up after the service.)

#### VOLUNTARY

#### **OFFERTORY**

#### "We Give Thee But Thine Own"



+ SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION +

#### **PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

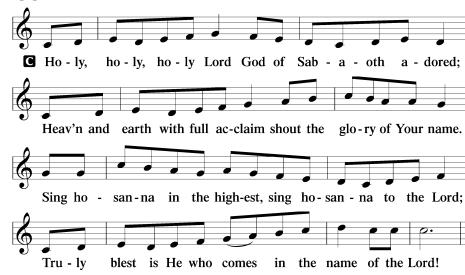
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### **SANCTUS**



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray.

AII:

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.

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

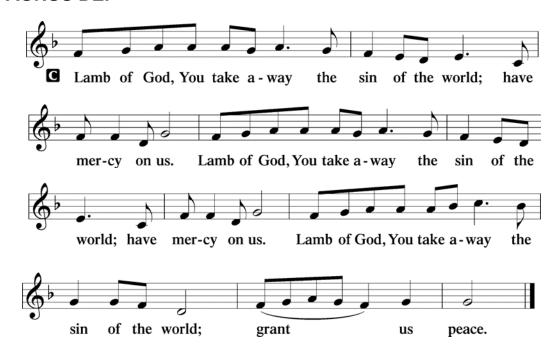
Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He 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 for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

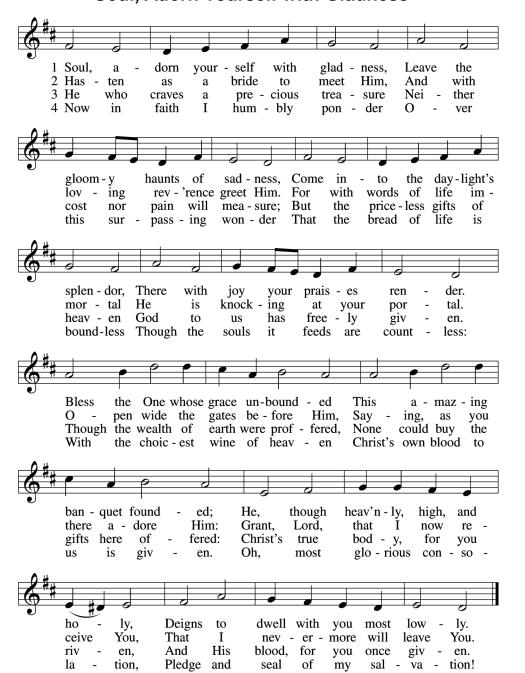
#### **AGNUS DEI**

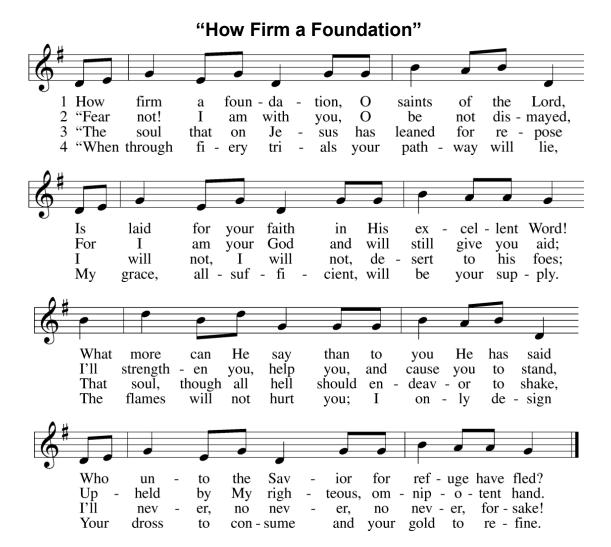


(Please be seated)



# HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"





5. "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

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#### "Let Me Be Thine Forever"



Let me, since Thou hast sought me, E - ter-nal life ob - tain.

Give me Thy con-stant bless - ing And grant a Chris - tian death.

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#### **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**









#### **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

All: Amen.

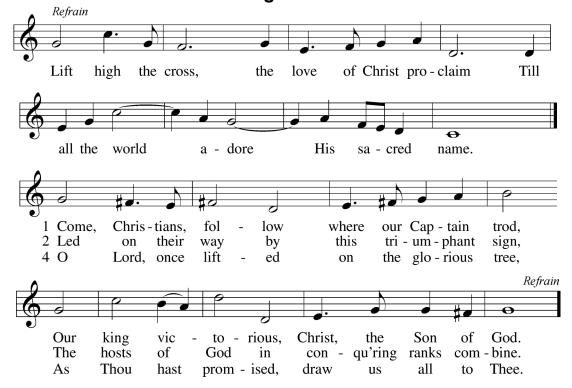
#### **BENEDICTION**

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

People: Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

### "Lift High the Cross"



5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. *Refrain* 

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

Attendance 10/22/23:10:00 AM - 96

Saturday **10/21/23:** 5:00PM- **25** 

<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Given to the glory of God by Danny & Steffani Klittich in celebration of Abby's 6th birthday.

# THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

### **REFORMATION SUNDAY**

10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elder: Blaine Wanke
Greeter: Connie Morris
Reader: Bill Young

Acolyte: Lucas Williamson

Ushers: Glenn Benitz

Scott Ehlers

Altar Care: Linda and Bill Young

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. Krumdieck, D. Tegt, S. Fraser

Pianist: Karen Foote

Choir Accompanist: Robby Waddell Choir Director: Linda La Jeunesse

# THOSE WHO SERVE US **NEXT** SUNDAY **NOVEMBER 5, 2023**

# **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elder: Dave Schmidt
Greeter: Ken Anderson
Reader: Linda Young
Acolyte: Michelle Ullerick
Ushers: Mike McCracken
Tom La Jeunesse

Rick Poore

Altar Care: Linda Young

Cookie & Coffee Service: P. Frye, Debi Markley

Pianist: Karen Foote

Handbell Choir Director: Linda La Jeunesse

### THIS WEEK AT PEACE October 29, 2023

Sunday: 10:00 am Traditional Communion Service

10:20 am Sunday School

1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office closed

Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (PH)

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:00 pm Confirmation Class

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group (PH)

Thursday: 7:30 am Men's Bible Study (FH)

9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study 10:00 am Life Light Bible Study via Zoom

5:45 pm Handbell rehearsal 7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Friday: +++++++++++

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunset Praise Service

# THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE SERVICE @ 10AM EACH SUNDAY

A traditional service of liturgy & hymns, accompanied with the piano, IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

(WHILE WE BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY)

# SATURDAY SERVICE "Sunset Praise Service at 5"

A contemporary service with the Praise Band, IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF October 29, 2023**

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS**—is held in the Proverbs House, our class will meet 15 minutes after service. We will begin our study of "Recovering the Joy of Theology" watching Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller present theological content in an interesting way. More info, call Kevin Krumdieck at: 805-551-8507. **TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets @ 10am in the Coffee House. Our study is on the book of John. Come join us! For more info, contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – This study of 1Peter is held on Thursdays 7:30-8:30am with a continental breakfast, in the Fellowship Hall. Join us. For more info, call Kevin Krumdieck @ 805-551-8507.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets @ 9:30AM in rotating homes, with a study of the "Gospel of John." If you have any questions please call Dave Schmidt at: 805-482-3867.

LIFE LIGHT BIBLE STUDY will begin a new 9 week study on 1st and 2nd Chronicles held on Thursdays, via Zoom at 10 AM. This study is part of the Life Light Bible study series, with sections on 1 and 2 Chronicles such as "I Will Build the House" and "Rebellion in the House." If you would like to join this study, please contact Blaine or Diana Wanke @ 805-490-8212.

**PRAYER CHAIN-** If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

**THE 2023 FLOWER CHART SIGN-UP** is posted in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up for the Sunday (s) of your choice.2 signups are available for each Sunday. They are \$40.00 each. You may take them home after service.

**THE FOOD BANK-** Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the Fellowship Hall.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> – Whatever your passion, whatever your talents, you can be an active part of the team at Peace Lutheran. All the Boards, Evangelism, Fellowship, Social Ministry, Trustees, and Youth Ministry can use new members, new thoughts, and new ideas. Contact Irene Hutchison any Sunday morning or by email at <u>irenehutchison@verizon.net</u> to get more information. We need and want your help!

<u>FRIENDLY REMINDER—DON'T FORGET!</u> Turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed **next Saturday**.



OUR THIRD CALL MEETING will take place on NEXT Sunday, November 5 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a light lunch served beginning at about 11:30 AM. Also, there is an option to attend this meeting via zoom. However we strongly recommend that you attend in person if possible because there is always the possibility of technical difficulties and you may not be able to see or hear what is going on very well. To participate by zoom please note the following:

- 1. You **must** be an active voting member.
- 2. You **must** contact Linda Young by no later than **Friday November 3 at noon** by phone or email to request the zoom link. Her phone number is 805-236-4820 and her email address is <a href="mailto:nephronurse@verizon.net">nephronurse@verizon.net</a>. If she does not answer her phone please leave a message.
- 3. Once Linda confirms that you are an active voter you will receive a zoom link from Dave Hutter sometime before the Sunday meeting.
- 4. Each person in a household **must** sign in on their own device. For instance, a husband and wife cannot share a computer and both vote. Each person must be on a separate computer or cellphone.
- 5. If the Wi-Fi signal is lost or there are other technical difficulties the meeting will go forward nevertheless and you will be unable to vote.

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Hard copies are available in the church office. Also there should be thumb drives in the church office with interviews of the two candidates.

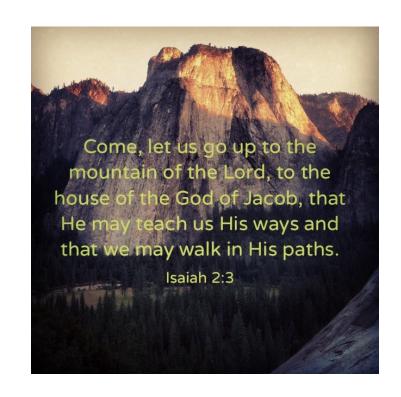
# PRAYER REQUESTS

### Remember in your Prayers:

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING: Edith Anderson, Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Michael Draper, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), John Gingerich, Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Susan Klein, Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Norma Regalia, Sarah Stepp(granddaughter of Al & Cindy Fox), Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Karl Wittmann, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung, Sue Zinger and Ele Zorkocy.

Pray for all military men, women and their families: Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland, Henry Andermann, Avery Chapman and Adam Volpei.

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