

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, October 25, 2026

Reformation Sunday

8:30 AM

PRELUDE

Vicky Grothmann, Organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Built on a Rock"

ELW 652

*1) Built on a rock the church shall stand, even when steeples are falling;
crumbled have spires in ev'ry land, bells still are chiming and calling,
calling the young and old to rest, calling the souls of those distressed,
longing for life everlasting.*

*2) Surely, in temples made with hands God the Most High is not dwelling, high in
the heav'ns his temple stands, all earthly temples excelling. Yet God who dwells
in heav'n above deigns to abide with us in love, making our bodies his temple.*

*3) Christ builds a house of living stones: we are his own habitation; he fills our
hearts, his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation. Where two or three will
seek his face, he in their midst will show his grace, blessings upon them
bestowing.*

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

L: Almighty God, to 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, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

L: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: **Amen**

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE *ELW p. 147-148 (SING)*

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: ***Lord, have mercy.***

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: ***Lord, have mercy.***

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: ***Lord, have mercy.***

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: ***Lord, have mercy.***

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: ***Amen***

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *ELW p. 148-149 (SING)*

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: ***Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Mighty Lord,

C: The splendor of the earth cannot compare to the majesty of your heart.
Show your heart in this place, that we might worship you with joy and gratitude.
Amen.

FIRST READING: Ephesians 2:4-9

⁴ but God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵ even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— ⁹ not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *ELW p. 151*

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING: John 8:23-32

²³ He said to them, "You are from below, I am from above; you are from this world, I am not from this world. ²⁴ I told you that you would die in your sins, for you will die in your sins unless you believe that I am he." ²⁵ They said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Why do I speak to you at all? ²⁶ I have much to say about you and much to condemn, but the one who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." ²⁷ They did not understand that he was speaking to them about the Father. ²⁸ So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I am he and that I do nothing on my own, but I speak these things as the Father instructed me. ²⁹ And the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him." ³⁰ As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

³¹ Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

ELW 504

1) 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.

2) 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.

3) Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r 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.

4) 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!

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER SONG:

ELW 752

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

(Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING / OFFERTORY: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW 186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 154

**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.**

SENDING HYMN: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

ELW 547

*1) Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from
this dwelling take leave. The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended the fruits of
this service in all who believe. The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls
reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. Your grace shall incite us,
your love shall unite us to work for your kingdom and answer your call.*

*2) With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living, the tasks of our ev'ryday life
we will face, our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing God's children,
the whole human race. With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living with praise and
thanksgiving give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.*

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Helping people experience the Love of God.

POSTLUDE

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's

Those celebrating birthdays today: Becca Bryl, Skyla Knecht

God's Healing Presence for...

Deb Kritzberger

Christie Rust

Sharon Doeden

Aleisha Lokken

Glenn Brustad

Bev Mooney

Bill Cotton

Jeanie Swenson

Bonnie Spicer

Carol Christianson

Becky Foss

Mya Oelrich

Dan Bjorklund

Clarice Satrom

Vicki Dahlstrom

Jerry Boeddeker

Charlie Anderson

Susie Anderson

Basil and Senora Almquist

Danielle Harless (Alex Bare's sister)

Kevin Weller

Steven Madsen

Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)

Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)

Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)

Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)

Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)

Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)

Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)

Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)

Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)

Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)

Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)

Bryan Mueller

Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

Our Sympathy to... Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

W.O.W. (Women of the Word) Monday Morning Bible Study will begin on **October 26 at 9 AM** in the 2nd floor lounge at Our Savior's Church. They will be studying "The Battle for Your Soul" by Dr. David Jeremiah. There are four sessions. All Women are Welcome! ~Senora Almquist, Leader

NEW MEMBER WELCOME SUNDAY is November 8th at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. An Open House will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 6:30pm. If you are interested in becoming a member at Our Savior's, please call the church office at 636-5701 or talk to one of the pastors.

SENIOR PASTOR: Pastor Joe Johnson, 701-430-3787

EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Peter Lovas **(10:30)**

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Aiden Fitzner, Jacob Giffey **(10:30)** Claire Grinde, Jade Habeck

ATTENDANCE: October 18, 2026: **(8:30)** 47 and **(10:30)** 79

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: October 18, 2026: \$11,065.00; Oct. to date: \$16,968.75.

Income through September 30, 2026: \$283,153.13; Expenses through September 30, 2026: \$304,311.39 Income less Expense: -\$21,158.26

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 25

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am **Confirmation** Service
4:00pm Choir practice
7:00pm AA Meeting

Monday, October 26

Meal Delivery Week
9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study begins!
6:30pm Choir practice
7:30pm GosBELLS practice

Tuesday, October 27

7:00am Text Bible Study (Café)

Wednesday, October 28

7:00am Men's Bible Study (Café)
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation
7:30pm Youth Group

Thursday, October 29

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints

Communion Sunday; DST Ends
8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Service
11:30am Council Meeting
4:00pm Choir practice
7:00pm AA Meeting

Sunday, November 1st is ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

– a time to look back and remember those who have gone before us and now live in the full presence of God. Family & friends of those in our church family who have passed away this past year are invited to attend the 8:30am or 10:30am worship service on November 1st. At both services we will remember those loved ones who have passed with the lighting of the four candles: Memory, Courage, Love, and Hope.

CONGRATULATIONS! and God's blessings to the following students who will be Confirmed today at the 10:30am worship service:

**Easton Beach, Tenley Dickhoff
Logan Fitzner, Colbie Hatlestad
Bridger Longthorne, Kylyn Culp
Cayden Olson, Mason Ouellette
Brynn Spokely, Audrey Theis
Wyatt Torgerson, Jackson Joslin**



The Offering

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