

Reformation Day

(observed)

Sunday, October 30, 2016



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know
Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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HYMN "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"LSB 813 vs. 1,2,5, 7 Δ

DIVINE SERVICE: SETTING FIVE

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

P: I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,] and shall not be put to shame.

C: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

C: Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

P: The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,] and shall not be put to shame.

KYRIE "Kyrie! God, Father".....LSB 942



Ky-ri - e! God, Fa-ther in heav'n a-bove, You a-bound in gra-cious love,



Of all things the mak-er and pre-serv - er. E - le - i-son! E - le - i-son!



Ky-ri - e! O Christ, our king, Sal-va - tion for all You came to bring.



O Lord Je-sus, God's own Son, Our me-di - a-tor at the heav'n-ly throne:



Hear our cry and grant our sup-pli - ca - tion. E - le - i-son! E - le - i-son!



Ky - ri - e! O God the Ho - ly Ghost, Guard our faith, the



gift we need the most, And bless our life's last hour, That we leave this



sin-ful world with glad - ness.

E - le - i-son! E - le - i - son!

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS "All Glory Be to God Alone" **LSB 948 vs. 1-3**



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, For - ev - er - more the
 2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless And wor - ship You in
 3 Lord God, our King on heav-en's throne, Our Fa - ther, the Al-



high - est one, Who did our sin - ful race be - friend And
 hum - ble-ness; From day to day we glo - ri - fy The
 might - y One. O Lord, the sole - be - got - ten One, Lord



grace and peace to us ex - tend. A - mong us may His
 ev - er - last - ing God on high. Of Your great glo - ry
 Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's Son, True God from all e -



gra-cious will All hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.
 do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
 ter - ni - ty, O Lamb of God, to You we flee.

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6-7

⁶ 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. ⁷ 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."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

*P: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!*

C: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it — ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show His righteousness at the present time, so that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in Him, "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ 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'?" ³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

OFFERING

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
 grant us Your peace, grant us Your peace.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Thy Body Given for Me, O Savior"..... **LSB 619**

POST-COMMUNION HYMN "Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace" **LSB 937**

1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,
 2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,
 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,
 Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -
 The Gen - tiles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing
 To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and
 va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.
 in our midst, The joy of Is - ra - el.
 Spir - it blest Be hon - or, love, and praise.

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray. 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.

C: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

HYMN "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" LSB 656

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READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Revelation 7: (2–8) 9–17

1 John 3:1–3

Matthew 5:1–12

THIS WEEK— (October 30th – November 6th)

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Ed, 10:30am

Tuesday: Ladies Guild, 6:30pm; Voters' Assembly Meeting, 6:30pm

Wednesday: Bible Study, 8:30am; Confirmation Class 2nd year, 5:00pm;
Confirmation 1st year, 6:00pm; Clay Meeting, 6:00pm

Thursday: Worship/HC, 6:30pm; Bible Class, 7:30pm

Saturday: Set clocks back 1 hour, 10:00pm

Sunday: Daylight Saving Time Ends; Worship/HC, 9:00am;
Christian Ed, 10:30am

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending 10/23/16)

General Fund: \$4333.50; Building Fund: \$165.00;

Blessings: \$17.25; Memorial: \$150.00; Miscellaneous: \$79.34;

Christmas Decorations: \$475.00

Total Attendance: 157 (Midweek: 18; Sunday: 139)

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship and Bible class following the service.

Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

CLC VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING: Plan on attending the meeting on Tuesday, November 1st at 6:30pm.

THANK YOU FOR SHOWING YOUR APPRECIATION for us and our families during Pastor Appreciation month. Your thoughts, prayers, gifts, and knowing that we are on your minds and in your hearts is very comforting. Thanks again, Pastors Wetmore and Kelm

REMEMBER: SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK AN HOUR

on Saturday, November 5th when you go to bed. **Daylight Saving Time Ends** on Sunday, November 6th.

MISSING KEY: The key for the church secretary's office that the counting teams use is missing. If you have this key, please return it to the church office ASAP! Thanks, Pastor

WISCONSIN VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL needs your help.

Financial donations to pay for staff salaries and other day-to-day operations are way down. Please keep the Valley in your prayers. If you are moved to help out financially, any and all gifts will be greatly appreciated. Remember, all loose change and dollar bills placed in the offering plates will go to Wisconsin Valley as part of the "Blessing Offering." Thank you for your support.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: The sanctuary Christmas decorations are being up-dated. The council has authorized \$800 of church funds for this project, but after surveying what is needed it appears that the cost will exceed this amount. An appeal is being made to the congregation to consider a donation towards this project. If you would like to donate towards the new decorations please place the donation in an envelope with your name, mark the envelope **Christmas Decorations**, and place it in the offering plate.

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH FALL CHORES or CLEANUP?

C.L.A.Y. is willing to help! Please sign up at the table under the **C.L.A.Y.** glass-enclosed white board in the fellowship room near the mailboxes. On the sign-up sheet, please include your name, address, phone number, and job description.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in donating their time and talent at CLC blood drive. This was our last 2016 blood drive. We will again be doing blood drives in 2017.

HUMAN CARE FOR NOVEMBER is Wausau Community Warming

Center: The items needed include: warm socks, gloves, pullover hooded sweatshirts, hand / foot warmers. Thank you for donating!

MISSION-U-201 Dealing with Tough Question is being hosted by Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 3210 Maple Drive, Plover, WI 54467 on Saturday, November 12th from 9am-2pm. Supplies will be provided for each participant. Please register by email at beautifulsaviorpl@sbcglobal.net or by calling Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church at 715-341-2898. The cost is \$8 each or \$25 for groups of 4 or more from the same congregation (this includes refreshments and lunch). Please make your check payable to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church—Mission U. Then mail it to the church, 3210 Maple Dr., Plover, WI 54467. The MISSION-U-201 MEMO is located on the large bulletin board in the fellowship hall with several copies on the table below.

FAITH IN ACTION'S "5th Annual Gift of Hope Holiday Care Drive" is taking place now through December 2nd 2016. Please help in giving the gift of hope by donating non-perishable food items and other items for seniors in need. Check out the red poster on the bulletin board, the list placed in your mailbox a couple weeks ago, or the lists attached to the Christmas gift-wrapped box located across from the drinking fountains. Place your donations in this same box. Thank you for your support.

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"Luther placed primary emphasis on the Word. He understood that scripture is the final authoritative source for the church's life and doctrine. Everything the church says or does is to be consistent with God's Word and is to be regulated by God's Word. God has spoken, His Word is truth, and it is the church's responsibility to regulate her speech in the light of God's speech. That is what continual reformation is."

— *Rev. Michael Stangeland, pastor at Highwater Lutheran Church, Lamberton, Minnesota, and Old Westbrook Lutheran Church, Westbrook, Minnesota* (www.lutheransforlife.org)