REFORMATION SUNDAY October 28, 2018

Preparation for Worship – We bow before You, O Lord! Prelude Announcements InvocationInside cover of hymnal Confession of Sins/AbsolutionInside cover of hymnal
Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord! Opening Hymn"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"#26 Liturgical Reading"Joy"#680 Hymn Response"We Will Glorify"#72 Prayer of the Day
Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord! First and Second Scripture Readings Special Music "Here I Stand" Trinity/Romsdal Choir The Gospel. John 8:31-36 The Chorus: "Thank-You Lord" The Sermon: "Look Before You Leap" Pastor Daryl Runion
Dedication in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord! Offering Hymn:"Wonderful Words of Life"#270 Offertory Hymn:"We Give Thee But Thine Own"#620 Apostles' Creed

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Oct 28th thru Nov 4th			
Today:	9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship at Romsdal Sunday School at Lands Sunday School at Romsdal Worship at Lands	
Wed:	5:30 p.m.	Bible Study at Lands	
Sun:	Nov 4 th 9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion Worship at Trinity Sunday School at Lands Sunday School at Trinity Worship at Lands	

Thanks to Pastor Runion for leading us in our Worship today.

Please remember to give your cash donations for Love INC Food backpack ministry to Dalyce Myers or Laurie Cole, no later than November 1st. If you have any questions, please give Dalyce a call at 605-743-4306.

Grand Valley Lutheran's Soup & Dessert Supper is this coming Saturday, November 3rd. Serving time will be from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Raffle Drawings will be held, with proceeds to benefit Love INC.

First Lutheran Church of Sioux Falls is hosting their Bazaar & Scandinavian Buffet this coming Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Come near to God, and God will come near to you.

James 4:8

Today's Readings

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Prayer of the Day

Dear Lord, We praise You for the blessings of the Reformation. Open our eyes to a better understanding of Your Word, and a deeper appreciation of Your grace.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

- 31 "The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah.
- It will not be like the covenant
 I made with their ancestors
 when I took them by the hand
 to lead them out of Egypt,
 because they broke my covenant,
 though I was a husband to them,"
 declares the Lord.
- 33 "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the Lord.

"I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.

I will be their God,

and they will be my people.

34 No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,'

because they will all know me,

from the least of them to the greatest," declares the Lord.

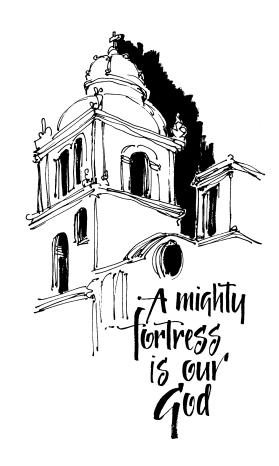
"For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

19 Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. 20 Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin. 21 But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. 22 This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile. 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. 25 God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— 26 he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus. 27 Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. 28 For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

Gospel Lesson: John 8:31-36

31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33 They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" 34 Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. 35 Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."



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