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Serving Our Neighbors by Sharing Our Blessings

Sunday, October 26, 2025—9:30 AM Reformation Sunday Holy Communion

All are welcome to commune and receive Christ in bread and wine. Please fill out a communion card and give it to the usher when coming forward for Communion.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

WELCOME

CENTERING TIME

2 minutes of silence to center our hearts for worship. Our time will conclude after the centering music.

CENTERING MUSIC

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.

- P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Time of silence and self-examination

- P Merciful God,
- C you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

 Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.
- P God proclaims these words of assurance:
 "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
 I have called you by name. You are mine."
 In Christ, you are forgiven.
 In the Spirit, you are made free.
 Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
 live anew as beloved children of God.
- C Amen.

SHARING OF PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

OPENING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW #504



- 1 A might y for tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re-
- 3 Though hordes of dev ils fill the land all threat 'ning to de -
- 4 God's Word for ev er shall a bide, no thanks to foes, who



GREETING

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

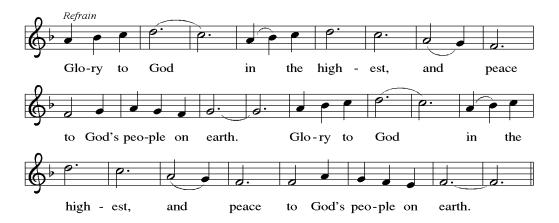
The king-dom's ours for - ev

er!

C And also with you.

they can - not win the day.

HYMN OF PRAISE Page 167



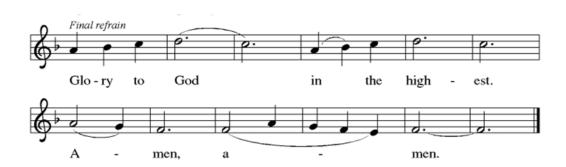
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain

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.

Refrain

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.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 46 (read responsively)

¹ God is our ref- | uge and strength, a very present | help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;

³ though its waters | rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- y of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall \(^1\) not be shaken; God shall help it at the \(^1\) break of day.

- ⁶ The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth | melts away.
- ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

8 Come now, regard the works of the Lord,

what desolations God has brought up- on the earth; behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

10 "Be still, then, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

P The holy gospel according to John

C Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ 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." ³³ They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Darryl Thompson Powell

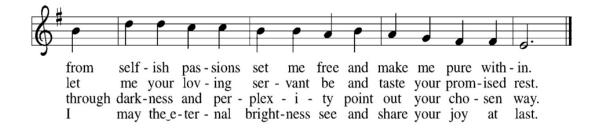
STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #599

Lord Jesus, Think on Me





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 to the dead.*

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION—Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence. Each petition ends:

- P God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.
- P We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

OFFERING & OFFERTORY SONG

"We Are an Offering"

ELW #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.



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OFFERING PRAYER

- P Let us pray.
- C Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIALOGUE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Page 173 HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Lord God of pow-er and might, Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, heav - en and earth are full of your glo ry. Ho the high Bless - ed is he who san - na in est. comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

INVITATION TO COMMUNION - all are invited *gluten free wafers are available.

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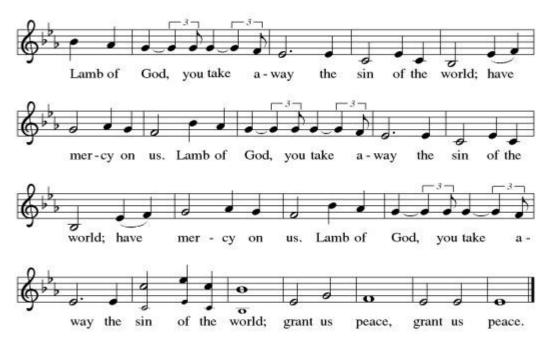


TABLE BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Let us pray.
- C We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

- P The Spirit of the triune God
 - H bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.
- C Amen.

SENDING MUSIC

STATING OUR MISSION

- P Resurrection, what is our mission?
- C Serving Our Neighbors by Sharing Our Blessings!

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is with you.
- C Thanks be to God!

Pastor: Darryl Thompson Powell Director of Music: Henrietta Atkin

Oboist: Wayne Ryerson

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

11:00 am Fellowship Hour

11:00 am Receive and sort Costco donation

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION

Monday, October 27

12:00 pm Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

Tuesday, October 28

Wednesday, October 29

2:00 pm Bible Study 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 30

6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting

Friday, October 31

Pastor Darryl's Sabbath

Saturday, November 1

Sunday, November 2

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

11:00 am Receive and sort Costco donation

Online services are available via Facebook (www.facebook.com/rlcfp/live), YouTube (www.youtube.com/rlcfp or search for "Resurrection Lutheran Franklin Park YouTube") and Twitch.

Bible Study can be accessed via Zoom online (bit.ly/rlcfp-zoom) or by phone (312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 230 167 8868, Password: 9777). You can also watch without participating on YouTube (www.youtube.com/rlcfp).



The flowers today are from Barb Ziemer in gratitude for all of the food pantry and clothing closet volunteers



For the month of October and November the food pantry is asking for donations of boxed cereals. As always, any donations are greatly appreciated.

Jet Brite Car Wash Fundraiser

Help raise funds to pay for the recent roof repairs with a fancy car wash! Treat yourself or someone you love- makes a great gift! Car Washes are available at all Jet Brite locations and are good for 6 months. If you'd like to buy a wash or two, Lauren will be available after the services on 10/19~&~26 to assist you in this online-only purchase. You will need your credit card.

Prayer Request

PRAY FOR MEMBERS: Janet C, Rita V, Judy H, Lindsay, Valentina, Virginia S, June K and family, Janet G, and Donna T.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF RLC MEMBERS: Haley, Ana, Thomas, Hans, Arushi, Ida, Richard, Alma H, Agsa, Rose, Charlie,

Sabrina, Lenny, Winnie Z, Rene V, Terry, Darlene M, Ronnie W, Joan P, Joyce F, Pastor Finney, Leena, Jacque, Diane L, Ed V, Emily F, Curtis, Allen, John M, Mike I, Sharon V, Gary V, Sophia, Marina, John B, Atour, Billy G, Joyce S, Judy K, Lynn, housekeeping staff at hospitals and nursing homes, the homeless, Elaine R, Linda B and Scott B.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Mike B.