



Weekend Worship Reformation Weekend

October 29 & 30, 2022

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This Week's Worship:

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM Education Hour 9:15 AM

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His Name. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

(We rise)

WE BEGIN IN SONG

(Saturday) "A Mighty Fortress is our God"/ "Whom Shall I Fear"/
"The Captain of the Hosts"

(Sunday) "A Mighty Fortress is our God" LSB 657

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.

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.

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.

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!

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: We read responsively verses from Psalm 46: God is our refuge and

strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though its waters roar and be troubled,

though the mountains shake with its swelling.

Pastor: There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God, the

holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.

People: God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God shall

help her, just at the break of dawn.

Pastor: The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved; He uttered His voice,

the earth melted.

People: The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge.

Pastor: Come, behold the works of the Lord, Who has made desolations in the

earth.

People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the

bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariot in the

fire.

Pastor: Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth!

People: The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge.

Pastor: Let us go boldly before the God of Hosts, humbly confessing our sins

to Him. Most merciful God,

People: We confess to You that we have sinned, in our thoughts, in our words, and in our actions. We are unworthy of Your grace. But, we call upon the Holy Name of the Commander of Your army, Jesus. For His Name's sake, forgive us and cleanse us of all of our sin that we might have a clear conscience and a fresh start with which to serve You. Amen.

Pastor: For the sake of Jesus, the Commander of God's armies, You are forgiven. His shed blood is more than enough to wash away all your guilt and shame. Go in peace knowing that the Lord of Hosts who has forgiven you will also fight for you.

People: Amen. Thank you, Lord!

SPECIAL MUSIC "Jesus, Name Above All Names" Worship Choir

BAPTISM (10:30) Alyza Lynn Eiden

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Kings 6:8-17

(Elisha's servant's eyes are opened to see the mighty army of the Lord!)

Now the king of Aram was at war with Israel. After conferring with his officers, he said, "I will set up my camp in such and such a place." The man of God sent word to the king of Israel: "Beware of passing that place, because the Arameans are going down there." So the king of Israel checked on the place indicated by the man of God. Time and again Elisha warned the king, so that he was on his guard in such places. This enraged the king of Aram. He summoned his officers and demanded of them, "Tell me! Which of us is on the side of the king of Israel?" "None of us, my lord the king," said one of his officers, "but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the very words you speak in your bedroom."

"Go, find out where he is," the king ordered, "so I can send men and capture him." The report came back: "He is in Dothan." Then he sent horses and chariots and a strong force there. They went by night and surrounded the city. When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh no, my lord! What shall we do?" the servant asked. "Don't be afraid," the prophet

answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, LORD, so that he may see." Then the LORD opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE EPISTLE LESSON Romans 12:17-21

(We don't have to fight our own battles because the Lord will fight for us.)

Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 24:29-35

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 24th chapter,

beginning at the 29th verse.

People: (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord! LSB 190

"Immediately after the distress of those days "the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.' "Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

"Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see all these

things, you know that it is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ! LSB 191

Pastor: Together, as God's People, united in faith by the One who is coming

with His Heavenly Hosts, let us join together professing our common

faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed:

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

+ everlasting. Amen.

COLLECTION OF CONNECT CARDS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

(Saturday) "Who is Like Him?"

(Sunday) "Sanctus" LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He That cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE MESSAGE "Jehovah Sabaoth: The Lord of Hosts" Pastor Ryan Clark

3RD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION (10:30)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Special prayers are lifted...we then join together in speaking:

All:

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 BENEDICTION

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

WE CLOSE IN SONG

(Saturday) "See a Victory"

(Sunday) "Doxology" LSB 805 (sing through twice)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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