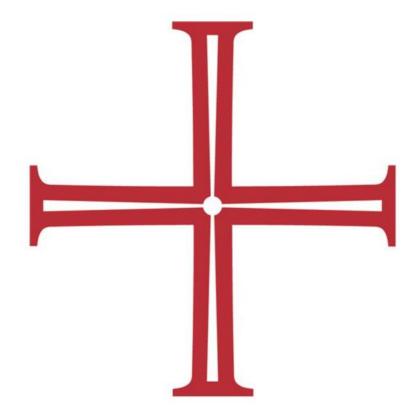
REFORMATION SUNDAY OCTOBER 26, 2025



St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church 2695 Luther Drive | Chambersburg, Pennsylvania | 17202

"SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Recessional on "Ein Feste Burg"

Michael Ryan

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

APOSTOLIC GREETING

KYRIE ELW 138

ENTRANCE HYMN The Church's One Foundation

ELW 654

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Response after the reading:

Thanks be to God.



PSALM 46

Sung responsively by whole verse.

- 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 | not be shaken; God shall help it at the | break of day.
- ⁶ The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth | melts away.
- ⁷The LORD of ¹ hosts is with us; the God of Jacob ¹ is our stronghold.
- ⁸ Come now, regard the works | of the LORD, what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;
- ⁹ 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 ¹ hosts is with us; the God of Jacob ¹ is our stronghold.

SECOND READING

Romans 3:19-28

Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to John: Glory to you, O Lord. The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. R. Guy Erwin, Ph.D.
President and Ministerium of Pennsylvania Chair and
Professor of Reformation Studies, United Lutheran Seminary
Bishop Emeritus, Southwest California Synod of the ELCA

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

HYMN OF THE DAY Rise, O Sun of Righteousness

ELW 657

APOSTLES CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith. 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

God of grace, receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

ANTHEM

OFFERTORY

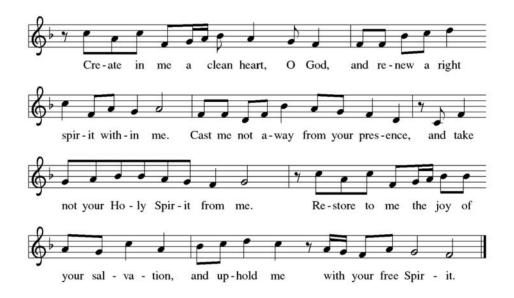
Reflections

Robert J. Hughes

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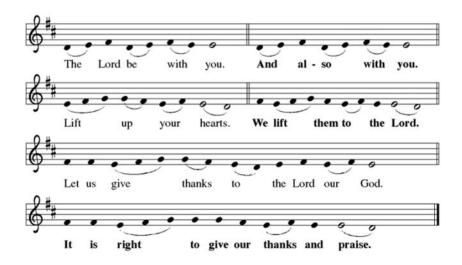
OFFERTORY HYMN Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 186



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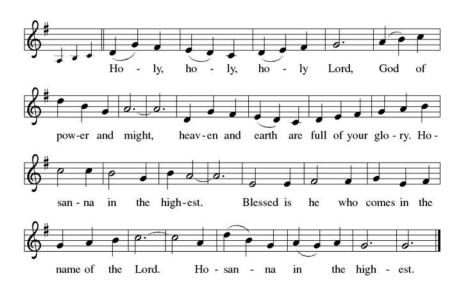
OFFERTORY PRAYER



The presiding minister continues: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW 108



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the table! Please join us by coming up the center aisle and receiving the bread from the Pastor. Then you may choose to receive the wine from the common cup, or by picking up an empty cup and receiving the wine from one of the two pouring chalices. Filled cups of grape juice are available alongside the empty cups.

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW 588, 644, 661, 815, 616

COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

ELW 504

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

My Rock, My Fortress

Dennis Eliot

Today's Worship Support

Presiding Minister: Rev. Christopher Frye

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Guy Erwin

Assisting Minister: Tiffany Frazier

Lector: Brad Bolinger

Communion Assistants: Susan Pettyjohn

& Sue Cline

Acolyte: Reece Chestnut

Crucifer: Gabe Frye

Greeters: Pat & Ellen Fairbairn

Altar Guild: Bob & Norma Huss

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Weekly Worship Schedule

Sundays

10:00 am Holy Communion 8:45 am Faith Formation/Christian Education

Wednesdays

11:00 am Holy Communion & Healing 6:30 pm Choir

7:00 pm Prayer & Share via Zoom

