

First Sunday of End Time—Reformation Sunday November 3rd & 4th, 2018

Welcome to worship! At the Festival of the Reformation we thank God for the message of holy Scripture – that we are saved by his grace alone, on account of Christ’s merit alone, and through the power of Word and Sacrament alone. Today we also ask God to use all that we have and are for his saving gospel purposes, as this service will be followed by our Estate Planning Seminar in the Trinity Fellowship Hall.

Order of Service: “Service of the Word”, which can also be found on page 38 in *Christian Worship* (red hymnal) if you would like to follow the music there.

Hymn: 200

Stand

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Confession of Sins

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

Prayer and Praise

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Oh, Taste and See (Sung)

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

M: Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (Sung) Amen.

Be Seated

The Word

First Lesson: Jeremiah 18:1-11 (NIV84)

This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD:
² “Go down to the potter’s house, and there I will give you my message.” ³ So I went down to the potter’s house, and I saw him working at the wheel. ⁴ But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him. ⁵ Then the word of the LORD came to me: ⁶ “O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter does?” declares the LORD. “Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷ If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, ⁸ and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. ⁹ And if at another time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be built up and planted, ¹⁰ and if it does evil in my sight and does not

obey me, then I will reconsider the good I had intended to do for it. ¹¹ “Now therefore say to the people of Judah and those living in Jerusalem, ‘This is what the LORD says: Look! I am preparing a disaster for you and devising a plan against you. So turn from your evil ways, each one of you, and reform your ways and your actions.’”

Psalm: 46 on pg. 84 (in the front of the red hymnal)

Second Lesson: Revelation 14:6, 7

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. ⁷ He said in a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia. (John 8:31, 32 cf. RSV)

C: (Sung) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Gospel: Mark 13:5-11

⁵ Jesus said to them: “Watch out that no one deceives you. ⁶ Many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am he,’ and will

deceive many. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. ⁸ Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains. ⁹ “You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be preached to all nations. ¹¹ Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.

C: (Sung) Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

Hymn of the Day: 563

Sermon Text: Isaiah 38:1-6

In those days Hezekiah became ill and was at the point of death. The prophet Isaiah son of Amoz went to him and said, “This is what the LORD says: Put your house in order, because you are going to die; you will not recover.”

² Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD, ³ “Remember, O LORD, how I have walked before you faithfully and with wholehearted devotion and have done what is good in your eyes.” And Hezekiah wept bitterly.

⁴ Then the word of the LORD came to Isaiah: ⁵ “Go and tell Hezekiah, ‘This is what the LORD, the God of your father

David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will add fifteen years to your life. ⁶ And I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria. I will defend this city.

“PUT YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER”

- 1) Am I ready to meet God?
- 2) Have I tied up loose ends?
- 3) How will I spend my next 15 years?

Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Be Seated

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church for Reformation

M: Lord, our refuge and strength, we gather to worship and praise you for your ongoing work of reformation in your Church.

C: Lord, to you alone be glory.

M: God of grace, in unfathomable love you pitied us sinners and sent your Son as our substitute to deliver us from sin, guilt, death, darkness, and despair.

C: For your grace, Lord, to you alone be glory.

M: By your grace you sent your Spirit to call us to repentance. Your powerful gospel rescued us from rebellion and fills us with faith in you, the true and living God.

C: For saving faith, Lord, to you alone be glory.

M: By your grace we are heirs of your eternal Word and trustees of the inspired Scriptures, through which you proclaim your saving truth to every generation. By the Scriptures you overthrew the darkness of those who perverted your teachings and restored to your church the message of salvation by grace alone.

C: For the Holy Scriptures, Lord, to you alone be glory.

M: In these last days, Lord Jesus Christ, protect your little flock. We are like sheep living among fierce wolves. Satan stalks us like a roaring lion. Defend us from false

teachers who twist your Word to satisfy the latest longing.

C: For wisdom and watchfulness under attack, hear our prayer, O Lord.

M: Never in the history of the world has your Holy Word been so accessible. We lack only the zeal to treasure your restored truth with lives of faithful Bible study.

C: For the noble character to search the Scriptures daily, hear our prayer, O Lord.

M: As we celebrate the Reformation that restored your pure gospel to your Church, we also celebrate our common confession of the pure gospel in Word and sacrament.

C: For this unity of faith, we give you thanks, O Lord.

M: We remember the faithful confessors of this and former generations, who have passed down to us your Word of Truth.

C: For these faithful servants, we give you thanks, O Lord.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: In thanksgiving for the many and amazing blessings restored to your Church through the Reformation, we now commit ourselves to your care.

C: Be our mighty fortress, our trusty shield and weapon, O Lord. Amen.

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Lord's Prayer

(Saturday)

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.

(Sunday)

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Be Seated

Hymn: 203

Stand

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted

in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (Sung) Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: (Sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hymn: 560 vs. 1, 5 (You may remain standing.)



We welcome our guests today. If you have no church home, we invite you to consider Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, town of Liberty. If you are interested, please speak to the pastor. We pray God may bless you by his Word, which you have heard with us today. Please worship with us again!

Organist

Our organist this weekend is Tammie Nagel. We thank her for beautifying our worship of the triune God our Savior.

Guest Preacher

A special thank you to Pastor Dennis Kleist for proclaiming the saving gospel of Jesus to us today. He is also leading our estate planning seminar today. (See the next announcement.)

Christian Estate Planning

Do you know life insurance passes to children tax free, but tax-deferred retirement funds pass with a tax bill? Your will doesn't control who will inherit your 401(k)? Or that your spouse does not automatically have a say in your health care? Or that you can make an estate gift to your church and receive an income from it now? Pastor Dennis Kleist, our WELS Christian Giving counselor, will present a Christian Estate Planning Seminar after the service today. Enjoy the peace of mind a good estate plan helps to provide. It's free and without obligation. Stay and learn!

Missing

Has anyone seen the 3-D Library tabletop display? It was last seen by the library. Please contact Connie Mangin for further information. This is used to promote the library at events.

Women's Spa Day

Please join us in the first Women's Spa Day at Trinity for Missions on Saturday, Nov. 10th from 9:00-1:00. We hope to pamper you with manicures, facials, foot soak and massage and enjoy a light lunch and fellowship. This is a great opportunity to have some fun, fellowship and raise money for missions. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. The times are: 9:00-1:00 in the Fellowship Hall. The supplies have been purchased through an Action Team grant.

Hope to see you there. This was one of the ideas offered at the National Lutheran Women's Conference for Missions. It encourages the women of the congregation to get together in a warm atmosphere to spearhead the mission project. It is imperative to know the number attending, so please sign up for Saturday, Nov. 10th from 9:00-1:00.

Friendship Sunday with Brat Fry – November 10 & 11

We encourage you to invite family and friends to our worship service: Saturday November 10 or Sunday November 11. There will be a brat fry dinner at church before worship on that Saturday and after worship on that Sunday. This will be a Thrivent Action Team with the goal of raising more funds for the purchase of handbells for our congregation. A freewill offering for handbells will be included with the meal. Other food will also be provided. Please join us!

OWLS Meeting

The November OWLS meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13th at St. Peter's Church, in Mishicot (325 Randolph St.) @ 12:00 Noon. Lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall downstairs. Utensils will be furnished. The speaker will be Kathie Wendland. Kathie served in Africa earlier this year. Persons 55 and older are invited to attend. Visitors are welcome.

Thrivent Presentation

St John's Lutheran would like to invite you to a presentation "Parents, Kids, and Money Matters" for parents and children ages 6-10. The event begins on Tuesday, November 13 at 6:30 pm (registration at 6) at 7531 English Lake Road (school entrance). Please call St John's 920-758-2663 if you'd like to join. Children attending will receive a free piggy bank. This presentation is free to the public. Reflect on the values you want your kids to learn and learn how to teach your children about money and values including how to Share, Save, and Spend their money.

Save the Date!

This year's Advent by Candlelight will be held on Saturday, December 1st in the fellowship hall (lower level) of the church. You won't want to miss this opportunity to prepare your heart for the Advent Season.

Do you enjoy decorating? Be a table hostess and we will reserve a table for you! Hostesses provide table settings for 8 or 10 people, holiday table decorations, candles and a dessert. You can co-hostess a table too. It is lots of fun and requires only a few hours. Reservations are now available for Trinity Lutheran Church Advent by Candlelight. Invite your family members, friends and neighbors for a women's night of Christ-centered preparation for the holiday season on Saturday, December 1st at 1:00 pm. There is no charge for this event. Space is limited; we recommend that you make your reservations early! Sign-up sheet is in the narthex or contact Jennifer Pope at 920-323-0897.

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! God bless your efforts! To Him be the glory!

Christmas at Sinawa

Trinity will again be hosting a cabin at Christmas at Sinawa. The dates are December 1st and 2nd from 4 pm – 8 pm. Contact Connie Mangin or Gary Vetter for more information.

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study is Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. We are studying "The Beatitudes: A Study of Matthew 5:1-16". All the women of the congregation are encouraged to join us and you may also invite a friend or family member. Coffee and breakfast will be served.

Family Bible Study

Family Bible Study is upstairs in the sanctuary, at 8:15 am on Sundays. We are using the new NPH Bible study, "Idols We Never Knew We Had". We plan to set up tables with chairs in the front of church, to make it easier for attendees.

Happy Birthday to...

11/11 Theresa Ohlrogge
11/11 Dalton Preston

Happy Anniversary to...

11/6 Jim & Jodi Krim – 25 Years
11/11 Gary & Lu Ann Luckow – 29 Years

If you have a November birthday/anniversary that was missed or listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update church records. Thank you!

Altar Guild: November – Group 2

Sharon Arnold, Lois Glaeser, Mary Liermann, Linda Wallander

Greeters

November 4th Len & Sharon Arnold
November 11th ???
November 18 Grace Ott
November 25th ???

Ushers

Saturday November 3rd Jim Krim, Ben Kiesow
Sunday November 4th Jeff Knutson, Len Arnold, Toby Hammel, Caden Jungbluth

Saturday November 10th Bryan Denk (Server), Greg Buechner (Server), Ben Gauger
Sunday November 11th Keith Petersen (Server), Ron Kasten (Server), Jeff Kasten,
Austin Petersen

Calendar of Events

Sat.3rd	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Board of Spiritual Affairs
	7:00 p.m.	Worship
	8:00 p.m.	Estate Planning Seminar
Sun.4th	8:15 a.m.	Family Bible Study
	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Estate Planning Seminar
Tues.6th	6:00 p.m.	English Improvement Opportunity
Wed.7th	5:30 p.m.	Catechism
Thur.8th	6:00 p.m.	"Making a Difference: Sharing your Time, Talents, & Treasures"
Sat.10th	9:00 a.m.	MLHS Federation Meeting
	9:00 a.m.	Women's Spa Day @ Trinity for Missions
	6:00 p.m.	Brat Fry Dinner
Sun.11th	7:00 p.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	8:15 a.m.	Family Bible Study
	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion – Friendship Sunday
	10:45 a.m.	Brat Fry Dinner