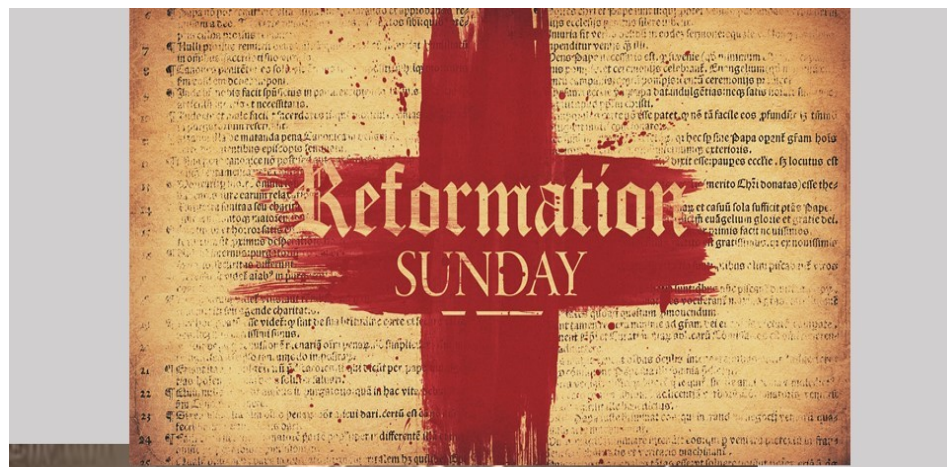
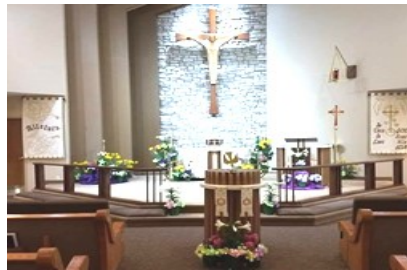


Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

October 25, 2020



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*Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in
Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.*

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WORSHIP

10:00 am

Divine Service III

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2020

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

Special Reformation Video Presentation


Salutation

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always

C **And also with you.**

*Please share the Peace of Christ with a wave of your hand from
where you sit*

657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (sts. 1-2)
[A Lamb of God Favorite]



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 -

to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -

va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of

work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's

arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.

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Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

[P] In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Psalm 46 Read Responsively

- P** ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- C** ² **Therefore we will not fear though the earth
gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart
of the sea,**
- P** ³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- C** ⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the
city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- P** ⁵ God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
- C** ⁶ **The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.**
- P** ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- C** ⁸ **Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.**
- P** ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
- C** **he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.**

P ¹⁰ “Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,

C **I will be exalted in the earth!”**

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

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Kyrie *LSB 186*

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

566 By Grace I'm Saved (sts. 1-2)

1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our

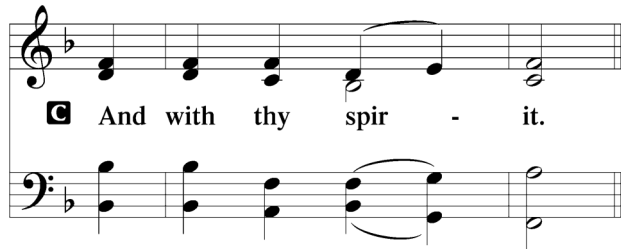


true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

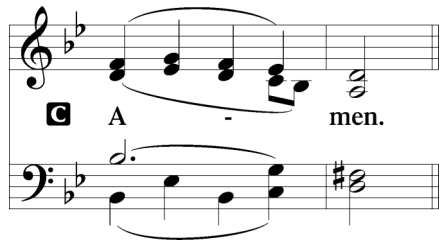


C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





Please be seated.

Children's Message

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift,

through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

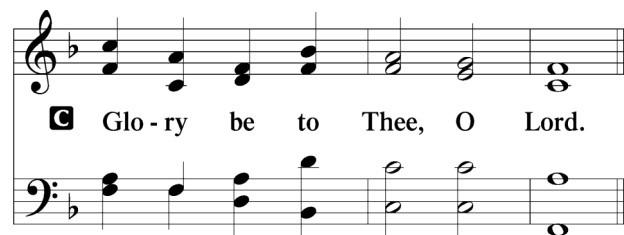
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Alleluia *LSB 190*



Holy Gospel *John 8:31–36*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, every-one who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

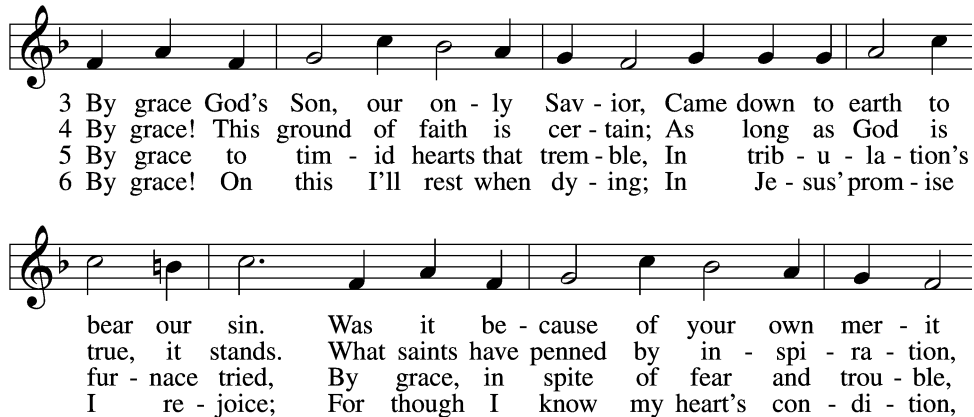
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came
down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to
the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge
both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is
worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and
apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

566 By Grace I'm Saved *sts. 3-6*



3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is
5 By grace to tim - id hearts that trem - ble, In trib - u - la - tion's
6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dy - ing; In Je - sus' prom - ise

bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,
fur - nace tried, By grace, in spite of fear and trou - ble,
I re - joice; For though I know my heart's con - di - tion,



That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our
 The Fa - ther's heart is o - pen wide. Where could I help and
 I al - so know my Sav - ior's voice. My heart is glad, all

grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.
 strength se - cure If grace were not my an - chor sure?
 grief has flown Since I am saved by grace a - lone.

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Sermon: Romans 3: 21-25

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Offering and Prayers

Offering:

P Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that is still on-going despite the restrictions imposed concerning public worship. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the lobby in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 PM

Offering Verse: John 8:31-32

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

Please stand as able

Offertory LSB 192



■ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Please be seated.

Prayer of the Church

P Having confidence in our justification by grace through faith and having access to the Father in Jesus' name, let us turn our hearts in prayer on behalf of ourselves, the Church and all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

P Lord, in Your mercy,
■ hear our prayer.

P Almighty God and Father, we pray You to grant us all good things that will benefit us in body and soul and to prevent anything harmful to us or to our salvation. Teach us to live in contentment with Your will and purpose and in the freedom You alone supply to serve You with all our heart, mind, body and soul; all these things we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

Lord's Prayer *LSB 241*

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C 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.

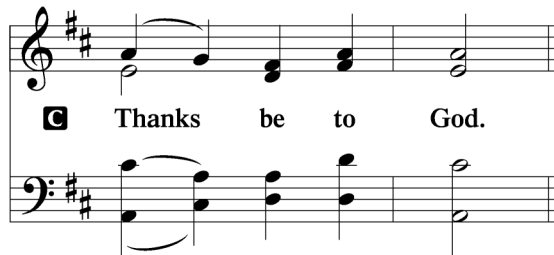
Close of the Service

P The Lord be with you.



Benedicamus *LSB 202*

P Bless we the Lord.

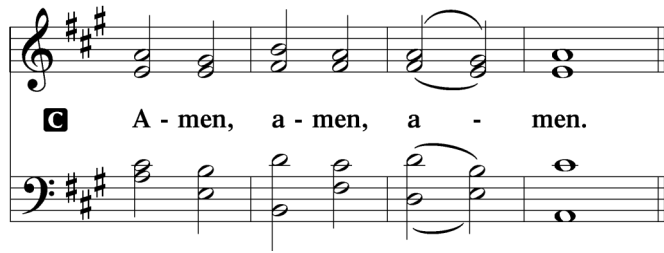


Benediction *LSB 202*

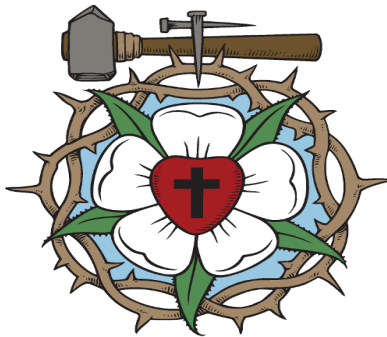
P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be
gracious unto you.

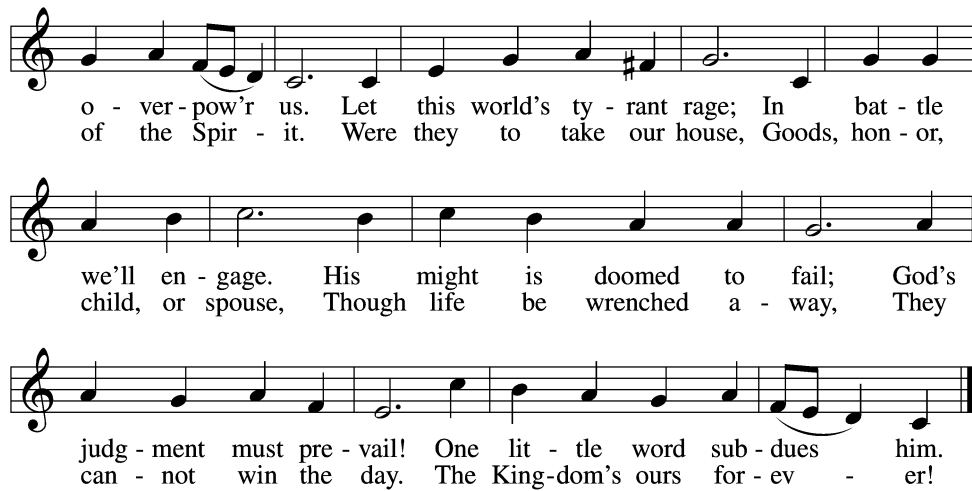


The Lord lift up
His countenance
upon you and
✠ give you
peace.



657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (sts. 3-4)
[A Lamb of God Favorite]





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Sharing of the Peace

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always
C And also with you

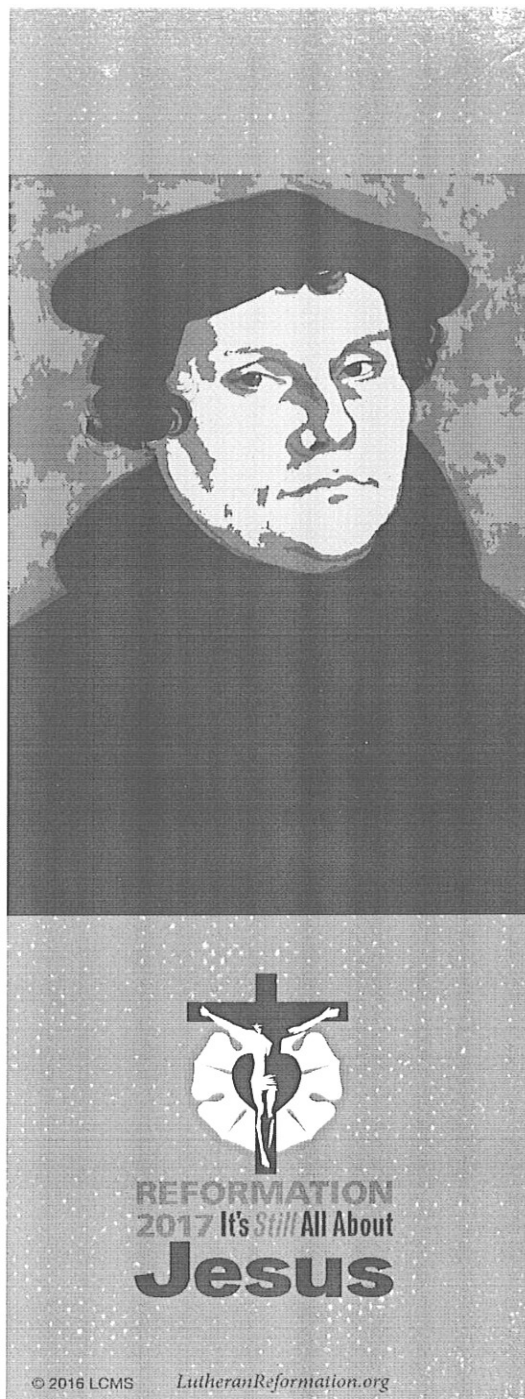
- P** Please take a moment today to call, or text, or through your choice of social media, reach out to your brothers and sisters and neighbors with fellowship and friendship. Be especially concerning those around you who may need your help with transportation, or other needs that be in a position with. Reach out with the love of Christ as His Church



Closing Peace

- P** Go in
Lord
C Thanks be to God

peace, serve the



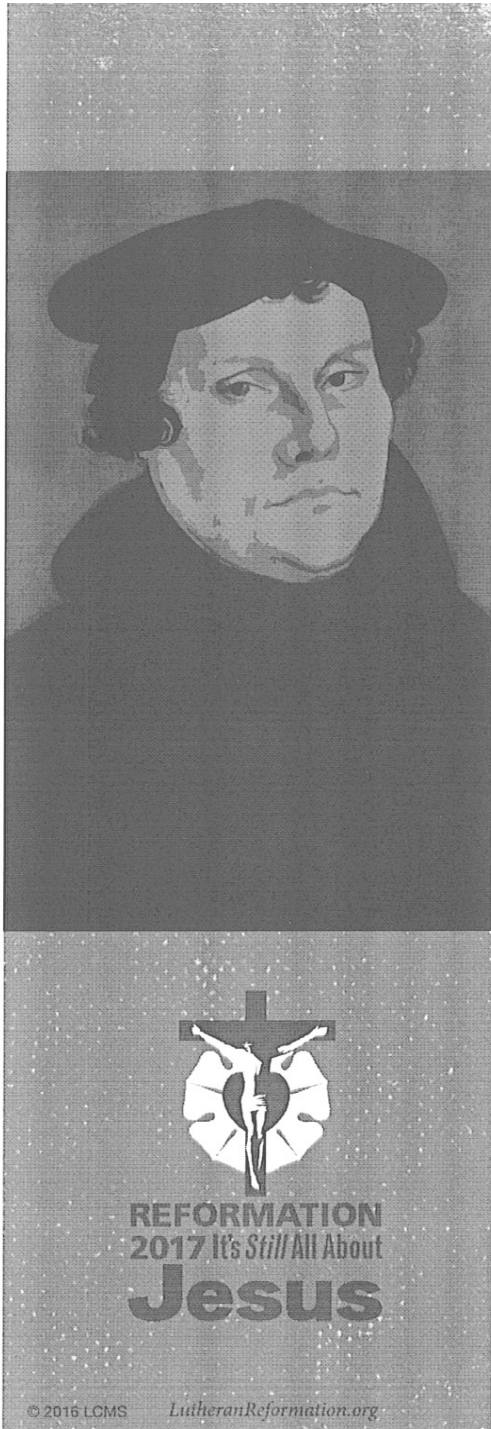
YOU ARE SAVED BY WORKS.

You are saved by works. But not yours. Jesus did more than die for you. He lived for you. Salvation is not merely the forgiveness of sins. It is the gift of righteousness, received by faith. We receive what He deserves — rewards for His good works — given as a gift. And He received what we deserve because of our deeds — punishment.

God works to save you. He gives you the fruit of His labor by grace. You receive this through faith. This Good News is the focus of the Scriptures. You do nothing. God works. And His works are very good.

Your good works are done in response to salvation. Justification by grace through faith does not mean good works are bad, but puts them in their proper role. We live according to God's will out of thankfulness to His love.

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FORGIVENESS IS FREE – BUT NOT CHEAP.

Your sins have earned the penalty of death. Christ paid that price for you through His death. Salvation is not cheap — the Son of God gave up all things for you. Forgiveness is free. God gives you this salvation, which Christ earned, for free. Solus Christus. Through Christ alone.

Our life in Christ reflects this truth. Forgiveness is free. You are forgiven in Christ. This is true for you every moment of every day because of God's promise in your Baptism. We are called to sacrifice everything to live our lives according to God's will because of His love for us (**ROM. 12:1**). We are called to trust only in Christ: "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (**LUKE 9:23**).

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The Five Solas

1. Sola Scriptura (by scripture alone)
2. Sola Fide (by faith alone)
3. Sola Gratia (by grace alone)
4. Solus Christus (Christ alone)
5. Soli Deo Gloria (glory to God alone)

