

Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

October 27, 2019
Reformation Sunday



Communion Statement

We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The term “Communion” describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ’s body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion, sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). **We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.**

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord’s Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not “in communion” with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service. Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion. There are gluten free wafers .

*** Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water)*

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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 Five

HOLY COMMUNION

Reformation Sunday + October 27, 2019

Protestant Churches across America celebrate Reformation Sunday as a day when the Church changed forever. All other denominations outside of Catholicism owe their existence to the Reformation movement. It began with a monk named Martin Luther posting his “95 Thesis” on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, on the eve of the Church Festival of All Saints Day. Luther posted his Thesis, as an invitation to the scholars and theologians at Wittenberg University to discuss the beliefs and practices of the Church that Luther felt were in error according to Scripture. Especially troubling were the teachings that one earned forgiveness through penance, and could purchase salvation through indulgences. The Reformation movement resulted in 5 key teachings drawn from Scripture known as “The 5 Solas” (“sola” is Latin for “only”). These define what the Lutheran Church teaches and confesses regarding Salvation; 1. By Scripture alone (our only source for God’s Word to us), 2. By Faith Alone (how God’s gift of salvation comes to us), 3. By Grace Alone (only as the free gift of God), 4. By Christ Alone (only by His death and resurrection), 5. To God Alone be the Glory. Happy Reformation Sunday!

Fellowship Register

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

Pre-Service Music

Please stand and face the Processional Cross

Processional Hymn + LSB 656 vs 1 & 2

(A Lamb of God Favorite)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need,
But for us fights the val - iant One,



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.

The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus

dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,

Are his dread arms in fight; On earth holds
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds

is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.

Confession & Absolution + LSB 213

- 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.**

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

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.

Psalm + Ps. 46

P God is our refuge and strength,

C a very present help in trouble.

P Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,

C though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

P though its waters roar and foam,

C though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

P There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

C the holy habitation of the Most High.

P God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

C God will help her when morning dawns.

P The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
C **he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

P The Lord of hosts is with us;
C **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

P Come, behold the works of the Lord,
C **how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

P 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 “Be still, and know that I am God.
C **I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”**

P The LORD of hosts is with us;
C **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Kyr-
ie +
LSB
186*

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

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

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

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.

C Amen.

Please

be seated.



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.

Second 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**

Special Music
Worshiping in Glorious Song (WinGS) Anthem
"Your Grace is Sufficient"

Please stand, as able.
Holy Gospel + John 8:31-36

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

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, everyone 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.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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.

*Hymn of the Day
Sung to tune LSB 813*

Saved By Grace

We live and trust in Him
Christ came to save us from our sin;
In Him we know we win!
By grace, thru faith,
we're saved by Jesus Christ.

By Faith the just shall live,
The faith God's Spirit gives.
Our dark, dead souls
He does revive;
In Christ we are alive!
By grace, thru faith,
we're saved by Jesus Christ.

The hymn continues on next page.

God's WORD gives hope and joy
And points us to the Son.
All those who hear the
Savior's voice have reason to rejoice!
By grace, thru faith,
we're saved by Jesus Christ.

*Sermon + Romans 3:21-25
The Standard of Perfection.*

The Tithes & Offerings

Offering Verse + John 8:31

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If
you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples,

Offertory Hymn + LSB 785 vs 1 & 3
We Praise You, O God

1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.

We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

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The Prayers of the Church

- P** Lord, in Your mercy
C **hear our prayer.**
- P** Preserve Your Church, O Lord, and each of us as members of Christ's Body, that we may not surrender the true Gospel for any reason, but be kept in this faith and fear throughout the days of our earthly pilgrimage, until that day when we and all Your people shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the reward You have prepared for us and all who have loved His appearing. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray, whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit, You are one God, now and forevermore.
- C** **Amen.**

Please stand, as able.

Holy Communion
Preface + LSB 216

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface + Pastor

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, ... To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lord's Prayer + LSB 958
Worshiping in Glorious Song (WinGS) Choir
& Congregation

Our Father Who Art in Heaven

Refrain + WinGS (Choir)

Our Father who art in heaven,
Thy name be hallowed,
Thy name be hallowed,
Heavenly Father.

1 WinGS May Thy kingdom come to us, O Lord;
 (Choir) May Thy holy will be done, O Lord;
 As in heaven so on earth may Thy holy will be
 done, O Lord.

Refrain (*Congregation*)

Refrain + Congregation

Our Father who art in heaven,
Thy name be hallowed,
Thy name be hallowed,
Heavenly Father.

2 WinGS Give us this day, O Lord, our daily bread;
(Choir) Lord, forgive our trespasses, we pray,
As we forgive all those who trespass
against us, Lord.
Refrain (*Congregation*)

3 WinGS Lead us not into temptation, Lord,
(Choir) Lead us not into temptation, Lord,
But deliver us from evil, Lord, deliver us
from evil.
Refrain (*Congregation*)

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P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His
command, and with His own words, we receive His
testament:

Words of Institution

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Hymn + LSB 434 vs 1
Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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Please be seated.

Distribution Hymn + LSB
By Grace I'm



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Saved



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
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



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



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
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



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.



5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
 In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?

The hymn continues on next page.


6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition,
 I also know my Savior's voice.
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

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Distribution Hymn + LSB 622
Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious

our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.

6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.

7 Grant that we worthily receive
 Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins,
 May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace
 And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.

The hymn continues on next page.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be
 A blessed comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

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Distribution Hymn + LSB 555
Salvation unto Us Has Come



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and fa - vor;
 2 What God did in His Law de - mand And none to Him could ren - der
 3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God His Law had giv - en
 4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, Sin held its sway un - ceas - ing;



Good works can - not a - vert our doom, They help and save us nev - er.
 Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For man, the vile of - fend - er.
 That sin - ners could them - selves re - deem And by their works gain heav - en.
 The task was use - less and in vain, Our guilt was e'er in - creas - ing.



Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
Our flesh has not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the
The Law is but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
None can re - move sin's poi - soned dart Or pu - ri - fy our



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
guile - ful heart— So deep is our cor - rup - tion.

5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.

6 Since Christ has full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.

7 Let me not doubt, but truly see
Your Word cannot be broken;
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.

The hymn continues on next page.

8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin
And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in
The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.

10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
 To Father, Son, and Spirit,
 The God who saved us by His grace;
 All glory to His merit.
 O triune God in heav'n above,
 You have revealed Your saving love;
 Your blessed name we hallow.

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Table Prayer

Please stand, as able.

Post Communion Hymn + LSB 632

O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt
 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is
 thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -
 come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -
 ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.
 in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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Post Communion Collect

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus & Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God..**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn + LSB 656

(A Lamb of God Favorite)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main



All ea - ger to de - vour us,
Nor an - y thanks have for it;

We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
 He's by our side up - on the plain
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.
 This world's prince they may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main - eth.

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Announcements

- P** Go in peace, serve the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God**

**Elections of Church Council Members directly following
Worship Service.**





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)

