

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — ELCA



Sunday, October 26th, 2025

Reformation Sunday

"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".

PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL Peace like a River by Youth WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES CHILDREN'S CHAT AND NOISY OFFERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C Amen.

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful and loving God,

C we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

P Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ✠ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN “Jesus, We Are Gathered”

HYMN 529

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE (setting 4 pp 147-148)



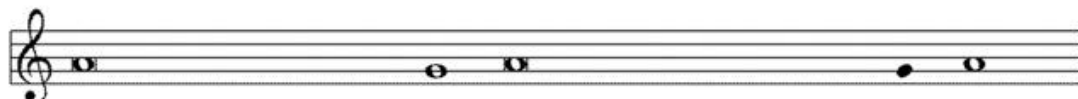
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



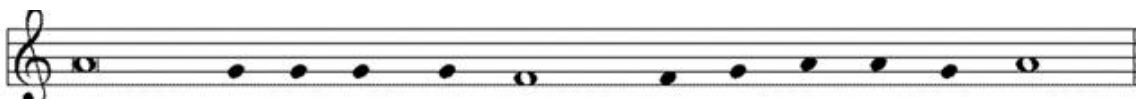
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



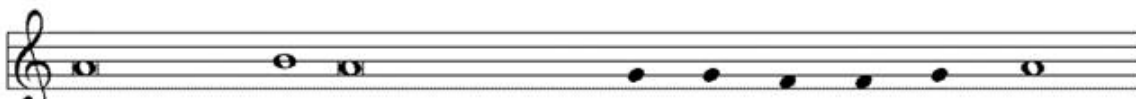
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



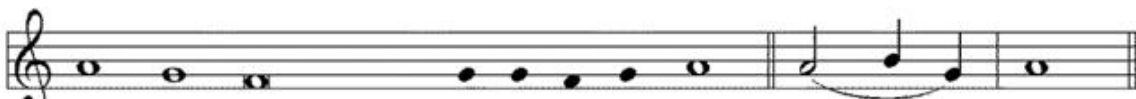
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

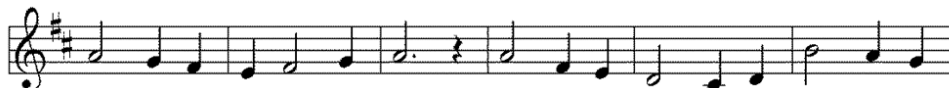
HYMN OF PRAISE *(setting 4 pp 149-150)*



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



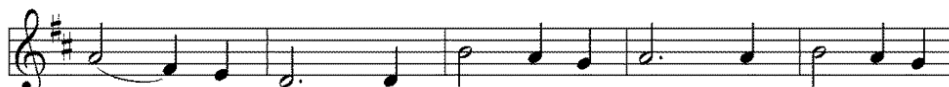
free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



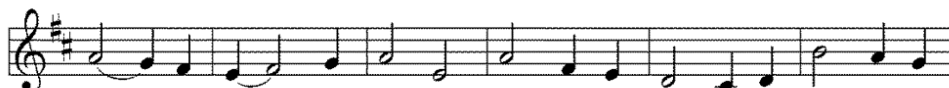
strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



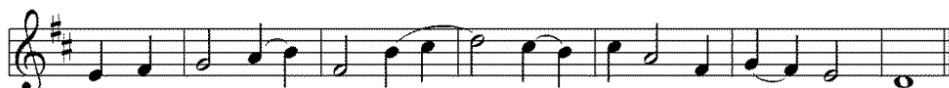
hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty God, gracious Lord,
C **we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

R The word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 46 (*read responsively*)

¹ God is our refuge 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 city 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.**

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon 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 hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of

law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36*(please stand as you are able)*

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter

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

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor David Raben

HYMN OF THE DAY “*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*” **HYMN 504**

APOSTLES CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come

again 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.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.** *(please share Christ's peace with one another)*

OFFERING

(please stand as you are able)

OFFERTORY “*We Give Thee but Thine Own*” **HYMN 686**

C **We give thee but thine own, whate’er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

OFFERING PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS **P** God of grace **C** receive our prayer
Linda (Anderson), **Tom & Alice** (Angermeier), **Bill & Sue** (Aune),
Evelyn (B), **John** (B), **Elaine** (Caelwaerts), **Mike & Rina**
(Clumpner), **Erin** (Culbertson), **Tom** (D), **Dan** (Fenrich), **Pat**
(Fenrich), **Joan** (Goessel), **Barbara** (Hughes/Dean), **Barth**
(Jeanquart), **Dawn** (Jeanquart), **Charlotte** (K), **Cindy** (Knapp), **Keith**
(Knapp), **Judy** (Krahn), **Myriah** (Krueger), **Amie** (M), **Beth**
(Pachniak), **Monika** (Perry), **David** (Plummer), **Matthew** (Rocque),

Kathy (S), Todd (S), Delores (Schuyler), Deb (Ulrich), Irene (Thorson), Betty, Bill, Carole & Russ, Chelsa, Gladys, Jay, Jeff, Laurie, and the family of Brent Moseng.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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**

BLESSING

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✚ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

TABLE BLESSING

P Let us pray together the table blessing.

C **Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“Jesus Loves Me!”

HYMN 595

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread the Good News.

C **Thanks be to God!!!**

POSTLUDE

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Serving in worship today (Oct 26th)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Youth

Ushers: Youth

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Serving in worship next week (Nov 2nd)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou

Plummer

Reader: Marie Weber

Ushers: Karin & Don Heldmann

Communion Assist: Lori Flick

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Stewardship Opportunities Oct 26-Nov 2

Today the fellowship meal is being provided by the church council. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the folks whose last name begins A-K.

Week at a glance Oct 26- Nov 2

Tuesday Quilting at 9:00

Wednesday Men's Bible Study at 8

Friday 9-12

Office hours for Lana

Saturday Family Choir at 9:30

Attendance last week: 34

Birthdays in October

Oct 2nd Heather Haese

Oct 4th Debra Larson

Oct 5th Linda Kohn

Oct 8th Jill Degrave

Readings for next week (November 2nd)

Isaiah 1:10-18

Learn to do good, seek justice, and rescue the oppressed

Psalms 32:1-7

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Faith and love amid persecution and adversity

Luke 19:1-10

Zacchaeus climbs into a tree to see Jesus

Oct 8th Emery Freiberg

Oct 9th Clint Hanson

Wyatt Hanson

Oct 10th Brock Aune

Gordy Hughes

Oct 12th Bill Aune

Oct 17th Joanne Adlon

Oct 21st Richard Dunlap

Lora Schaefer

Oct 25th Gloria LaPlante

Anniversaries in October

Oct 2nd Tim & Rachel Hanson

Oct 5th Riley & Meggie Sawyer

Oct 10th Pete & Marlene Larson

Oct 16th Bill & Sue Aune

Oct 21st Jeff & Valerie Espe

Oct 23rd Kraig & Amy Aune

Oct 25th Robert & Sue Peterson

This is Youth Sunday. We thank the youth for their help in today's worship. Following worship there will be "Trunk or Treat", pumpkin carving, smores in the pavilion, and a movie with popcorn.



Wednesday, November 4th, the Interfaith Coalition of Housing ~ Sturgeon Bay is having the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 12:30. The address is:

133 S 16th Place

Sturgeon Bay

Together with community partners, we are working to provide Transitional Long-Term Housing! If you have any questions please see Marla Vogel, Linda Kohn, or George Sincock. Thank you to these three for representing our congregation.



The Salvation Army is again looking for people to help with bell ringing. The bell ringing begins November 21st and ends December 24th. There is a poster in the fellowship area with more information. They ask that you please sign up with them. This is a worthy cause in our community.



Did you know that there are large print bulletins each week for worship? If this would make your enjoyment and participation in the service better, please ask an usher for a copy. **NEW** there are also large print copies of the words for the hymns that we are singing. The ushers have these as well. We are seeing if this is beneficial to our worshipers. Feedback is welcome.



Remember to set your clocks back on Saturday.

There is a basket in the fellowship area for receipts from Tadych’s Market Place. We ask that you bring them and place the whole receipt in the basket. They are kind enough to give us a percentage back for our projects. Unfortunately, Pick’n Save no longer has this service so there is no need to bring those receipts at this time. Dianne Eskildsen has generously agreed to tally up the receipts and bring them in. If you have any questions, please ask one of the ladies in WELCA.

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On the table by each entrance to the sanctuary you will find several things:

- 1. The current Christ in our Home
- 2. Brick order forms
- 3. The current directory
- 4. The current newsletter
- 5. The Wired Word for that week. **Note this is new.** These copies will be on the table each week for you to read and contemplate.

| Sep 2025       |        |        |          |         |        |          |
|----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------|--------|----------|
|                |        |        |          | TOTAL   |        |          |
|                | Sep    | Budget | Variance | YTD     | Budget | Variance |
| Offerings      | 5,909  | 7,083  | (1,174)  | 76,151  | 63,747 | 12,404   |
| Total Income   | 13,730 | 8,375  | 5,355    | 367,374 | 75,375 | 291,999  |
|                |        |        |          |         |        |          |
|                |        |        |          |         |        |          |
| Total Expenses | 6,941  | 8,375  | (1,434)  | 74,768  | 75,375 | (607)    |
|                |        |        |          |         |        |          |