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Reformation Day (Observed)

October 29, 2017

The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's blessing or to one's harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with a sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all members of Immanuel who have been confirmed and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Prelude

Ring of the Bell

Opening Hymn/Cross Procession: #837, "Lift High the Cross"

Invocation

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Opening Verses/Confession and Absolution

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

Hymn: #613, "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All"

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and forgives the sins of all who repent. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you of all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Reformation Introit, spoken responsively worship insert

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choral Offering: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Martin Luther/Arr. William Roger Price/Trans. Frederick Hedge
4th Verse, Composite Translation (Public Domain)

Congregation Joins Choir on Verse 4

1)

A Mighty Fortress is our God, A Bulwark never failing;
Our Helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing.
But still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and pow'r are great; And, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

2)

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own
choosing:

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His name, From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

3)
And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo
us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through
us.
The prince of darkness grim; We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, For lo! his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

4)
**The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for
it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and
Spirit.
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won;
The kingdom ours remaineth.**

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Procession: "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"

Text: Nikolai Grundtvig/Tune: Martin Luther (Isorhythmic, #657)

**God's Word is our great heritage;
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way,
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its doctrine pure
Throughout all generations.**

Holy Gospel: John 8:31-36

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord,

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day: #655, "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

Sermon: "Grace...for Granted?"

Offering

Creedal Hymn: #953, "We All Believe in One True God"

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

The Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution (by continuous line)

#556, "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #822, "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude