



Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2026 at 9:30am

The 509th anniversary of the protestant Reformation

Leading us in worship today:

Pat Reeves, Deacon
Gina Grembowski, Elder
Randall Engle, Minister
Mary Baker, Organist
Willie Yuhas, Technician

Gathering Music concluded with *Ein feste Burg* arr. Michael Burkhardt

***Our Opening Prayer:**

Gather us together this Reformation Sunday, O God,
that we may celebrate the witness of our ancestors
and the courage that gave birth to the Reformation.

Teach us how to honor the saints of God in ages past as well as in our present days.

May the conviction of Your grace written on their hearts be one that forms our own faith.

Inspire us in the continuing reformation of the church
and be present to us in Your word.

In Christ's name we pray.

Amen

***Our Opening Hymn:** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Hymnal 776

***God's Greeting**

***Mutual Greetings**



Scripture Lesson: II Timothy 3: 14–17 Marta Murray

Meditation

***Our Response:** *Keep What You Have Believed* Hymnal 769



Scripture Lesson: Ephesians 1: 1–14 Michael Williams

Meditation

***Our Confession:**

We believe that—
all Adam's descendants having thus fallen
into perdition and ruin
by the sin of Adam—
God showed himself to be as He is:
merciful and just.
God is merciful
in withdrawing and saving from this perdition those who,
in the eternal and unchangeable divine counsel,
have been elected and chosen in Jesus Christ our Lord
by his pure goodness,
without any consideration of their works.

—*The Belgic Confession, Article 16*

***Our Response:** *I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace* Hymnal 690



Scripture Lesson: I Timothy 2: 1–7 Stephanie Dexter

Meditation

Our Response: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Hymnal 426



Scripture Lesson: John 9: 1–25 Michael Krogh

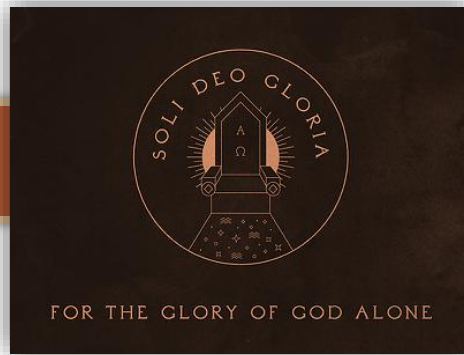
Meditation

Our Confession:

One: What is true faith?

All: True faith is not only a knowledge and conviction that everything God reveals in His Word is true; it is also a deep-rooted assurance, created in my by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.

—*The Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord's Day 21, Q&A 60



Scripture Lesson: Revelation 15: 1–4a..... Eva Miller

Meditation

Our Confession:

One: What is the chief end of man?

All: To glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.

—The Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q&A 1

The morning offerings are received

***God's Blessing**

***Our Closing Hymn:** *In Christ Alone* Hymnal 770

The Postlude: *A Mighty Fortress* arr. Jan Bender



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A place to glorify. . . gather. . . and grow!

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

The musical score is written for four parts (1, 2, 3, 4) and includes a bass line. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The score is divided into four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. Chord symbols are placed above the treble staff: C, G, Am, D7, G, Am, C, Dm, G7, C, G, Am, D7, G, Am, Em, C, Dm, G7, C, Am, Dsus, D, G, C, Dm, Am, Dsus, D, G.

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en
 4 That Word a - bove all earth - ly powers— no thanks to

nev - er fail - ing; our help - er he, a - mid the flood
 would be los - ing, were not the right Man on our side,
 to un - do us, we will not fear, for God has willed
 them— a - bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours

of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe
 the Man of God's own choos - ing. You ask who that may be?
 his truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,
 through him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,

does seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great,
 Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his name,
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:

Words: based on Psalm 46, Martin Luther, 1529; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1852, P.D.

Music (EIN FESTE BURG 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.6.7): Martin Luther, 1529, alt.; harm. Johann S. Bach (1685-1750), P.D.

Dm F A Dm E Am Em C Dm G7 C

and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 from age to age the same; and he must win the bat - tle.
 for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er!

Keep What You Have Believed

2 TIMOTHY 3:14-17

D Bm G D C#m/E D A

1 Keep what you have be - lieved, con - tin - ue what you learned,
2 All Scrip - ture is God - breathed, and use - ful for our lives

D Bm E A Esus E A

be - cause you know from whom you learned the Ho - ly Word of God.
to teach, re - buke, cor - rect, and train in right - eous - ness and faith,

D G B7 E A

That Word will make you wise through faith in Je - sus Christ;
so that the church may grow, God's peo - ple be e - quipped

A7 D G Em7 D G Asus A7 D

sal - va - tion comes to those who trust in God with stead - fast hope.
for all good work to serve our God, through Je - sus Christ, our Lord.

690 I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace

F G D G D A

1 I know not why God's won-drous grace to me he has made known,
 2 I know not how this sav - ing faith to me he did im - part,
 3 I know not how the Spir - it moves, con - vin - cing us of sin,
 4 I know not what of good or ill may be re - served for me,

D G D G D A A7 D

nor why, un-wor-ty, Christ in love re - deemed me for his own.
 nor how be-liev-ing in his Word wrought peace with - in my heart.
 re - veal-ing Je - sus through the Word, cre - a - ting faith in him.
 of wea - ry ways or gold - en days, be - fore his face I see.

Refrain G D A7 D

But "I know whom I have be - liev-ed, and am per - suad-ed that he is a - ble

G D A7 D

to keep that which I've com - mit - ted un - to him a - gainst that day."

Words: based on 2 Timothy 1:12, Daniel W. Whittle, 1883; P.D.

Music (EL NATHAN 8.6.8.6 refrain 9.10.8.7): James McGranahan, 1883, P.D.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

D A D A A7

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im-part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
 4 When life's swift race is run, death's cold work al - most done,

D E A D

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire. As thou hast died for me, O may my
 be thou my guide. Bid dark-ness turn to day, wipe sor-row's
 be near to me. Blest Sav - ior, then in love fear and dis -

Bm G D Em/G A7 D

guilt a - way. O let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
 love to thee, pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
 trust re - move. O bear me safe a - bove, re-deemed and free!

Optional prayer (based on Ps. 141:8; 2 Cor. 4:6)

Our eyes turn to you, O sovereign Lord;
 in you we take refuge.

**By the illumining power of your Holy Spirit,
 help us to see the light of the knowledge of your glory
 in the face of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Words: Ray Palmer, 1830, alt., P.D.

Music (OLIVET 6.6.4.6.6.6.4): Lowell Mason, 1832, P.D.

In Christ Alone

G D G A Bm

1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found; he is my
 2 In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh— full - ness of
 3 There in the ground his bod - y lay, light of the
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

G Em7 A D G D G

light, my strength, my song— this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babe!— this gift of love and right - eous -
 world by dark - ness slain; then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious
 power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fin - al

A Bm G Em7 A D

ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness, scorned by the ones he came to save. 'Til on the
 day, up from the grave he rose a - gain! And as he
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No power of

G D A D G Bm7

love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
 hell, no hu - man plan, can ev - er pluck me from his

A G D G A

cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all,
 fied. For ev - ery sin on him was laid;
 me; for I am his and he is mine,
 hand; 'til he re - turns or calls me home,

Bm G Em7 A D

here in the love of Christ I stand.
 here in the death of Christ I live.
 bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 here in the power of Christ I'll stand!