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Reformation Sunday

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AS WE GATHER

Jesus calls us to abide in His Word. To abide means to dwell or be at home. Are you at home in Jesus' Word? Is it the place where you long to be? Jesus' Word is the only place in all the world where we can find the absolute guarantee of sins forgiven, hope restored, and new life granted as children of God the Father. Today, Jesus mercifully calls us to come to Him, confess our sins, and be filled with His pardon and peace. He will renew us by His Word, strengthen us at His Table, and send us forth with His blessing to proclaim to all creation: "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (John 8:36).

REFORMATION SUNDAY

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

"Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"

LSB 648

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: Jesus said, "If you abide in My word,

People: you are truly My disciples,

Pastor: and you will know the truth,

People: and the truth will set you free."

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: With humble hearts, let us approach our Father's throne of grace.

Silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior

Pastor: Together, we pray:

People: Gracious Father, because our entire lives are to be ones of repentance, we bow before You and confess our sins. We have turned away from the truth of Your Word, choosing to go our own way. By what we have thought, by what we have done, and by what we have failed to do, we have broken Your commands and are deserving of Your wrath and punishment. By the mercy of Christ, Your Son, set us free from our captivity. Enable us by Your Holy Spirit to live under You in Your kingdom and to serve You in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Amen.

Pastor: Just as Christ is risen from the dead, He lives and reigns to all eternity! It is most certainly true that He died and rose again for you to make you right with God, to adopt you as children of the heavenly Father, and to set you free from sin and death. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: “So if the Son sets you free,

People: you will be free indeed!”

HYMN OF PRAISE “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” LSB 556 vs 1-3, 10

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people.

People: Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth,

Pastor: protect and deliver us in times of temptation,

People: defend us against all enemies,

Pastor: and, through the abiding Word of Your Son,

People: set us free from our sin that we may know Your saving peace;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6–7

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

Leader: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

People: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

Leader: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

People: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters His voice, the earth melts. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Leader: Come, behold the works of the LORD, how He has brought desolations on the earth.

People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; He burns the chariots with fire.

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

People: The Lord of hosts is with us; 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.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 3:19–28

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

John 8:31–36

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

“O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe”

LSB 666

SERMON

“Don’t Dance to the Bully’s Tune”

Romans 3:19-28

CREEDAL HYMN

“We All Believe in One True God”

LSB 953

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord Jesus, You have freed us from the captivity to sin and death, from the delusion of trying to earn and maintain our own righteousness, and from the chains of condemnation and fear. That is why we rejoice in Your Word: If the Son sets you free,

People: you will be free indeed!

Pastor: Lord Jesus, only Your mercy and grace enable us to know, find, and live in the freedom of Your eternal Gospel. Send Your Spirit upon Your Church that we continue in the truths of the Reformation, and that, to all the peoples of the world, we proclaim this truth: If the Son sets you free,

People: you will be free indeed!

Pastor: Lord Jesus, free us from self-centeredness and pride. Turn our focus toward You first in faith and then toward others in love.

People: Bless all who serve You and others in their homes, in the church, in the workplace, and in our community to rejoice in knowing that if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed!

Pastor: Lord Jesus, You proclaim freedom for the captives and recovery for those with infirmities. Grant Your healing, in both soul and body, to those we name before You, [*especially . . .*]. Rejoicing in Your healing touch, grant that all who receive Your Good News boldly say: If the Son sets you free,

People: you will be free indeed!

Pastor: (Special petitions that end in, “Lord in Your mercy”).

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, for these and all other concerns we have, please hear and answer our prayers according to Your gracious will

People: that we live each day in the freedom we have come to know. Amen.

OFFERING

LORD’S PRAYER

EXPLANATION OF LORD’S PRAYER - Introduction

Pastor: “Our Father who art in heaven.” *What does this mean?*

All: With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

LORD’S PRAYER HYMN “Our Father, Who from Heaven Above”

LSB 766 vs 1

**Our Father, who from heav’n above
Bids all of us to live in love
As members of one family
And pray to You in unity,
Teach us no thoughtless words to say
But from our inmost hearts to pray.**

Pastor: “Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.” *What does this mean?*

All: The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

Pastor: *How is God’s will done?*

All: God’s will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God’s name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

“Our Father, Who from Heaven Above”

LSB 766 vs 4

**Your gracious will on earth be done
As it is done before your throne
That patiently we may obey
Throughout our lives all that You say
Curb flesh and blood and every ill
That sets itself against Your will**

Pastor: “But deliver us from evil.” *What does this mean?*

All: We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

“Our Father, Who from Heaven Above”

LSB 766 vs 8

**From evil, Lord, deliver us;
The times and days are perilous.
Redeem us from eternal death,
And, when we yield our dying breath,
Console us, grant us calm release,
And take our souls to You in peace.**

Pastor: “For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.”
What does this mean?

All: This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”

“Our Father, Who from Heaven Above”

LSB 766 vs 9

**Amen, that is, so shall it be.
Make strong our faith in You, that we
May doubt not but with trust believe
That what we ask we shall receive.
Thus in Your name and at Your Word
We say, “Amen, O hear us, Lord!”**

REFORMATION PRAYER

Almighty and everlasting God, You would have all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. By Your almighty power and unsearchable wisdom break and hinder all the counsels of those who hate Your Word and who, by corrupt teaching, would destroy it. Enlighten them with the knowledge of Your glory that they may know the riches of Your heavenly grace and, in peace and righteousness, serve You, the only true God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The blessing of God almighty—the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit—be with you now and forever.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

LSB 656



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