



# Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

## Reformation Day October 31, 2021

**Welcome** to this Divine Service. We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Please sign the attendance card in pew and place in offering plate.

**Communion Policy:** In the Lord's Supper, the Risen Christ gives us His true Body & Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we participate in the Lord's Supper we declare doctrinal unity. Therefore we ask guests who are not members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church to speak with Pastor before communing with us.



### Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

**Anthem** "God Is Our Refuge and Strength" **Adult Choir**

**Hymn** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" **656**

**Confession and Absolution** **184-185**

**Introit** **Ps. 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Ps. 119:46**

**P** I will speak of your testimonies before kings, O Lord,

**C** and shall not be put to shame.

**P** I will bless the LORD at all times;

**C** his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**P** My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

**C** let the humble hear and be glad.

**P** Come, O children, listen to me;

**C** I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

**P** The LORD redeems the life of his servants;

**C** none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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.

**P** I will speak of your testimonies before kings, O Lord,

**C** and shall not be put to shame.

**Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis**

**186-189**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you. **C** *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**  
**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** *(sung)* **Amen.**

## First Reading

**Revelation 14:6-7 ESV**

Then 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. And 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.**

## Gradual

**Ps. 48:1a, 12-14a**

- P** Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised  
**C** **in the city of our God!**  
**P** Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,  
**C** **consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,**  
**P** that you may tell the next generation  
**C** **that this is God, our God forever and ever.**

## Epistle

**Romans 3:19-28 ESV**

Now 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. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom 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. It 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.

Then 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. For 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.

**Alleluia**

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**Holy Gospel**

**St. Matthew 11:12-19 ESV**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

**C** (*sung*) **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] “From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

“But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,

“ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** (*sung*) **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**

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**Sermon**

**“Worship God”**

**Revelation 14:6-7**

**Offertory and Offering**

**192-193**

**Prayer of the Church**

*Ruth Polz, Brent Baumann (Steve Milbrath’s brother-in-law), Dave Lappe, Clayton Williams, Richard Polz, Karen Temple, Sharon Henning, Isaac Adkins (great-nephew of the Onken sisters), Lorna Nielsen, Jane Henning, Heather Muir (Mary Muir’s stepdaughter), Rose Baerg (Mark Oeltjenbruns’s aunt), Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe.*

*Petitions conclude:*

**P** . . . Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

*Final petition:*

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that You have brought us by Your Word out of the darkness of error and into the light of Your grace. Mercifully help us to walk in that light. Guard us from error and false doctrine, and grant that we do not become ungrateful and despise Your Word, but receive it with all our heart, conduct our lives according to it and put our trust in Your grace; through the merits of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Service of the Sacrament**

**194-202**

**Distribution Hymns**

**617, 579, 580**

**Closing Hymn**

**“God's Word Is Our Great Heritage”**

**582**

**Postlude**



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