



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
*October 8, 2023*  
**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**  
*10:00 a.m.*

PRELUDE *Piano/Chancel Organ*

CALL TO WORSHIP & STRIKING THE HOUR *"Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† INTROIT *"Holy Ground" (Verse 1)* Page 217  
*† Please stand as you are able.*

† HYMN *"Why Do I Sing About Jesus" (All Verses)* Page 739

† PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER  
 † ANTHEM *"Gloria Patri"* Page 813

HYMN *"How Firm a Foundation" (All Verses)* Page 408

**WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND RECITE GOD'S COVENANT PROMISES**

PASTORAL PRAYER  
 RESPONSORIAL *"Psalm 90" Psalter 90<sup>B</sup>*  
*Sung To The Tune of: "Faith of Our Fathers" (Verses 6,7)*

RESPONSIVE READING: *"The Westminster Shorter Catechism"*

**WE RETURN OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE UNTO THE LORD**

RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
 † DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

**WE LIFT OUR VOICES IN PRAISE**

HYMN *"O Lord, You're Beautiful" (All Verses)* Page 643

SPECIAL MUSIC

**EXPOSITION OF THE WORD AND CONFESSION OF FAITH**

THE SERMON  
*"Don't Judge! ~ Unless You're Supposed To"*  
 Matthew 6:22-24

† THE APOSTLES' CREED

† CLOSING HYMN *"Sweet Hour of Prayer" (All Verses)* Page 640

† BENEDICTION

† ANTHEM *"The Family of God"* Page 419

**DEPART IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD**

*If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here.  
 We are ordinary people on an extraordinary journey,  
 learning to love and serve like Jesus. Come with Us!*



In this constantly changing world, our goal is to reflect and recapture the historic and classical worship of Almighty God. Central to our service is the proclamation of the Word and a biblical understanding of the Sacraments in the tradition of the Evangelical and Reformed faith.

**OUR MISSION**  
 TO PRESENT CHRIST TO EVERYONE,  
 EVERYWHERE, AT EVERY AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY.



THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE  
 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ YEAR A  
 Isaiah 5:1-7 • Psalm 80:7-14  
 Philippians 3:4b-14 • Gospel Focus: Matthew

WE AFFIRM THE FOLLOWING:

- The Holy Trinity of God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- God has revealed Himself fully and decisively in Holy Scripture. We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God and our guide for faith and life.
- There is only one way to Salvation - through Jesus Christ.
- The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God and our election by God for service in His Kingdom. This leads us to respectfully affirm the sanctity of life at every stage, from conception to ordinary death.
- The Biblical principles of immutable gender and sexuality: The exclusive union of one man and one woman in marriage; and fidelity to its vows. And, chastity outside of marriage for the sake of the Kingdom.
- God made all people from one man and although people can be distinguished by different ethnicities and nationalities, we are all one human race and absolute equals before God in creation, the need for repentance, and the offer of redemption.
- That the mission of the Church is to spread the Good News of the Gospel in every word and deed. Proclaiming to the world the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking to bring every person into a life of faith, discipleship, and submission to Him.

ATTENDANCE  
 LAST SUNDAY: 100

Are you interested in Church Membership?

We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. If you are interested in joining our Church family, please see Pastor Kler today.



GIVING REPORT	
Week Ending October 1, 2023	
	<b>\$6,998</b>
Sunday General Giving	5,981
Online General Giving	342
<b>Total General</b>	<b>6,323</b>
Less 3% to Building	-190
Less 10% to Missions	-632
<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>5,501</b>
Designated Giving	
Building Maintenance	190
Flowers	50
Gals	275
Homecoming	250
Hospitality	40
T-Shirts	60
Missions	632
<b>Total Designated Giving</b>	<b>1,497</b>
Net Revenue	5,501
Designated Giving	1,497
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$6,998</b>

Monthly Reports are posted in the Fellowship Hall.



# The ADVENT of REFORMATION



One of the reasons God has given us his Word is to make us feel sad. Yes, you read that correctly – God wants us to feel sad. The Bible says: "Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret" (2 Corinthians 7:10). He wants us to feel sad because it is the only way for us to feel true happiness in His forgiveness. In order to feel these things and to fully appreciate God's Word, a Christian should have a basic understanding of both The Law and The Gospel.

In Reformed Christianity, the relationship between The Law and The Gospel is vital. This distinction between Old Testament regulations, which demand obedience to God's ethical will, and The Gospel, which promises the forgiveness of sins in light of the person and work of Jesus Christ, is crucial to understand

In 1531, Martin Luther laid out these principles in "Article 4" of the "Augsburg Confession," writing firstly on the three uses of the Law, which are:

To Curb - Through fear of punishment, the Law keeps the sinful nature of both Christians and non-Christians under check. This does not stop sin since the sin is already committed when the heart desires to do what is wrong, yet it does stop the open outbreak of sin that will do even further damage.

To Mirror - The Law serves as a perfect reflection of what God created the human heart and life to be. It shows anyone who compares his/her life to God's requirement for perfection that he/she is sinful.

To Guide - This use of the Law that applies only to Christians. The Law becomes the believer's helper. Empowered by the gospel truth of forgiveness and righteousness in Christ, the believer's new self eagerly desires to live to please the Triune God.

Then Luther turns to issues of the Gospel writing:

The Gospel, on the other hand, is the good news of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus for our sins. The Gospel is God's approval of us on the basis of His clothing us with the righteousness of Christ.

In his 1520 treatise, "On the Freedom of the Christian," Luther uses the analogy of marriage to explaining how this happens. He wrote: When a bride marries a bride-groom, everything she has belongs to him, and the bride-groom shares with her his whole life. In the Gospel, we give up our sins entirely, and Christ fully gives us his righteousness. We are then - by this union - justified by faith. We are given an alien (foreign) righteousness which then becomes ours by faith because - Christ is our righteousness. This is the perfect union of both Law and Gospel.



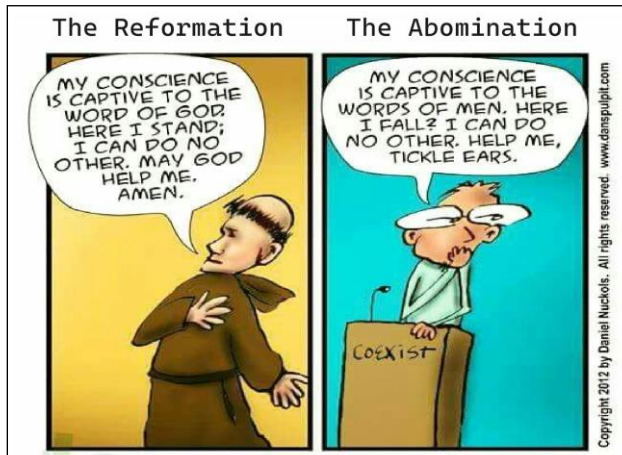
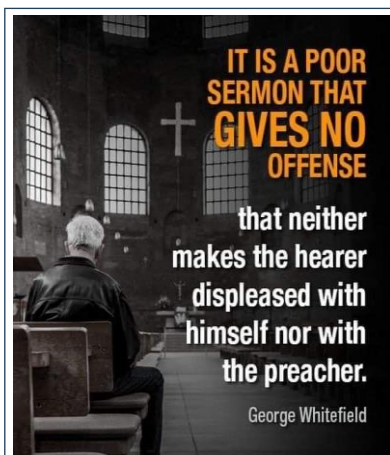
The Chancel Flowers Are Placed by:



Linda Walchak  
in Loving Memory of her husband  
Les on their Anniversary

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- OCTOBER 2023-----
- Board Meeting.....Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
  - Reformation Sunday / 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Homecoming Celebration....October 29<sup>th</sup>
- NOVEMBER 2023-----
- GAL's Meeting.....Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30
  - Guy's Lunch.....Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.
  - ~~~ Guy's Prayer Group.....Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.
  - Board Meeting.....Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
  - Church Thanksgiving Dinner.....Thursday, November 23, at 3:30 p.m.



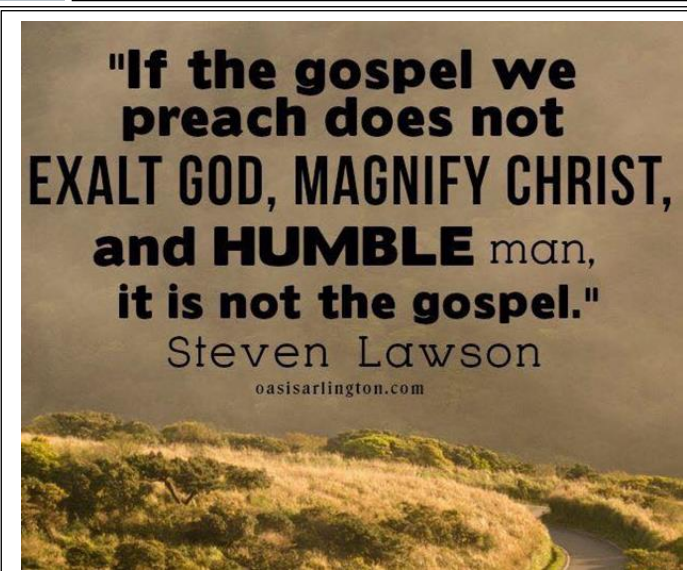
**THE ELDERS**  
TEACHING & WORSHIP  
Rev. H. Joseph Kler  
Senior Pastor / I.F.O.C. Chaplain  
Rev. John O. Strauss  
Worship Leader / Minister of Music

**THE DEACONS**  
Jim Leitzke, Gary Hatrick

**OUR MUSICIANS**  
Ann Dantuma  
Pianist/Organist  
Donna Zenisek-Huber  
Flutist

**SOUND BOOTH**  
Ric Romyn, Joe Negron,  
Jonathan Kler

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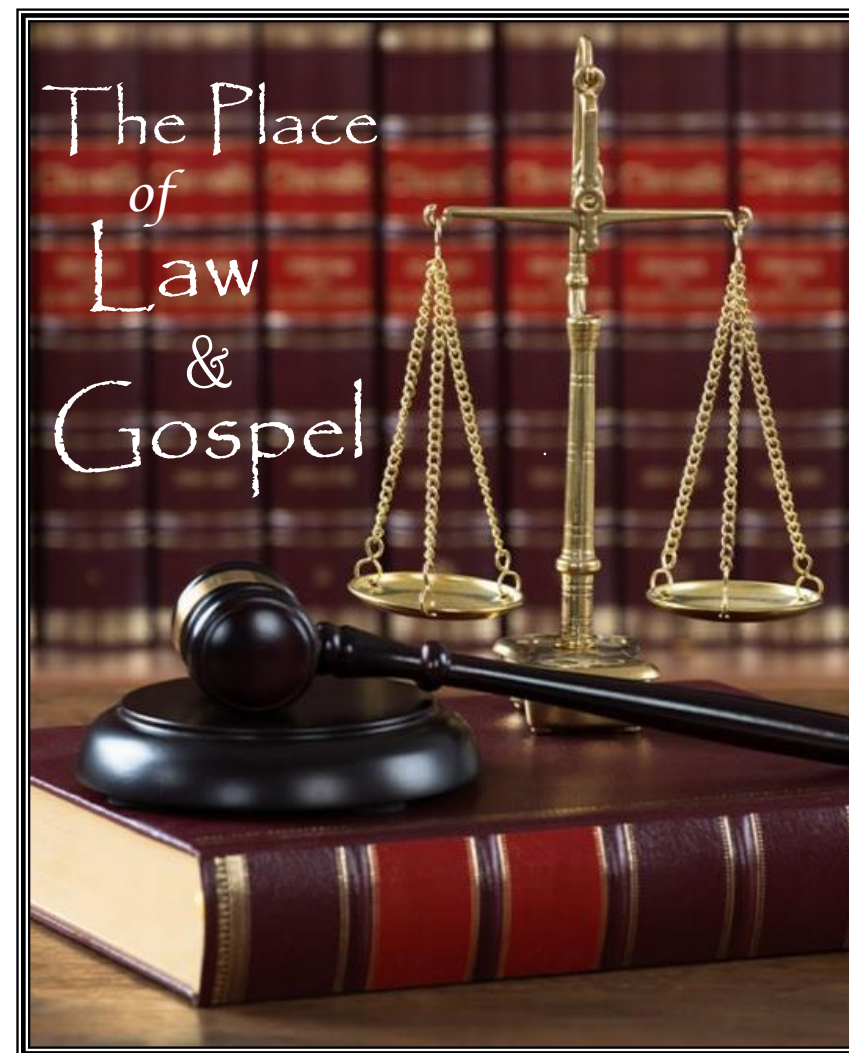
OUR VOLUNTEER STAFFED  
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:  
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# FAIRVIEW

COMMUNITY CHURCH of ZEPHYRHILLS  
...a Christ-centered, Reformed faith fellowship.

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but Encourage one another as the Day of the Lord draws near. -Hebrews 10:25



# RE-FORMATION THEN • NOW • ALWAYS

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