



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
*October 29, 2023*  
**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**  
*10:00 a.m.*

PRELUDE *Piano/Chancel Organ*  
 CALL TO WORSHIP & STRIKING THE HOUR *"Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells*  
 ~ BAGPIPE PROCESSIONAL ~  
 Mr. Brad Green

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† INTROIT *"Holy Ground" (Verse 1)* Page 217  
 † Please stand as you are able.  
 † HYMN *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (All Verses)* Page 151  
 † PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER  
 † ANTHEM *"Gloria Patri"* Page 813  
 HYMN *"The Church's One Foundation" (All Verses)* Page 401

**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 6,7,8)*  
 .....(Sung to the tune of "Fairest Lord Jesus")  
 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 *"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" (Verses 1,3,4)* Page 400

SPECIAL MUSIC  
*Mr. Brad Green, Piper*

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

THE SERMON  
*"Once More with Boldness!"*  
*Advent of Reformation Series*  
 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13

† THE APOSTLES' CREED  
 † CLOSING HYMN *"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" (All Verses)* Page 730  
 † 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 REFORMATION SUNDAY ~ YEAR A**  
 Deuteronomy 34:1-12 • Psalm 90:1-17  
 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13

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: 110		<b>GIVING REPORT</b>	
		<i>Week Ending October 22, 2023</i>	
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.		<b>\$1,691</b>	
		Sunday General Giving	1,191
		Online General Giving	380
		<b>Total General</b>	<b>1,571</b>
		Less 3% to Building	-47
		Less 10% to Missions	-157
		<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>1,367</b>
		Designated Giving	
		Building Maintenance	47
		Gals	30
		Hospitality	50
		T-Shirts	40
		Missions	157
		<b>Total Designated Giving</b>	<b>324</b>
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Designated Giving	324		
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$1,691</b>		
<small>Monthly Reports are posted in the Fellowship Hall.</small>			



# The ADVENT of REFORMATION



It started on All Saints' Eve, 1517, when Luther publicly objected to the way preacher Johann Tetzel was selling indulgences. These were documents prepared by the church and bought by individuals either for themselves or on behalf of the dead that would release them from punishment due to their sins. As Tetzel preached, "Once the coin into the coffer clings, a soul from purgatory springs!" Luther questioned the church's trafficking in indulgences and called for a public debate of 95 theses he had written. Instead, his 95 Theses spread across Germany as a call to reform, and the issue quickly became not indulgences but the authority of the church: Did the pope have the right to issue indulgences? Events quickly accelerated. At a public debate in Leipzig in 1519, when Luther declared that "a simple layman armed with the Scriptures" was superior to both pope and councils without them, he was threatened with excommunication. Luther replied to the threat with his three most important treatises: The Address to the Christian Nobility, The Babylonian Captivity of the Church, and On the Freedom of a Christian. In the first, he argued that all Christians were priests, and he urged rulers to take up the cause of church reform. In the second, he reduced the seven sacraments to two (baptism and the Lord's Supper). In the third, he told Christians they were free from Roman Canon laws but bound to Scripture and in loving service to their neighbors.

In 1520, Pope Leo X issued a papal bull of excommunication against Luther. He directed Charles V, the Holy Roman Emperor of the German Nation, to execute it. Charles, however, was reluctant to take this step. Only 21 years old at the time, Charles had only, at great expense and with much diplomacy, managed to get himself elected Emperor in 1519. He was reluctant to alienate the German princes, many of whom were already suspicious enough of the consolidation of Habsburg power. A number of these -- and most importantly, Luther's own powerful sovereign, the Elector Frederick the Wise of Saxony -- insisted that German subjects be tried only before a German body. Since the Imperial Diet was then in session at Worms, Luther was summoned to appear before it for examination. Frederick insisted that Luther be granted a safe-conduct pass, guaranteeing that he would not be seized if he were to appear. The Emperor agreed. Luther then set out from Wittenberg, passing through city after city, where he was received with acclaim and celebration. The papal representatives at the Diet were acting under instructions from the Pope not to allow the occasion to degenerate into a debate but to put the accused firmly on the defensive. On the first day of his appearance, Luther was asked whether he acknowledged authorship of a list of his works which had been determined to be in error. He did. He was then asked whether he was willing to recant the errors contained in them. Unwilling to answer "on the fly," Luther asked for 24 hours in which to deliberate his response. The request was granted. On the following day, the examination reconvened in the presence of the Emperor and the assembled princes and nobles of the Empire, and when Luther was asked a second time to recant his views, he replied, "Unless I can be instructed and convinced with evidence from the Holy Scriptures or with open, clear, and distinct grounds of reasoning ... then I cannot and will not recant, because it is neither safe nor wise to act against conscience." Then he added:

"HERE I STAND. I CAN DO NO OTHER. GOD HELP ME! AMEN."



The Chancel Flowers Are Placed by:  
Pastor Joe, Jonathan, and Katherine  
In Celebration of Vickie's Birthday



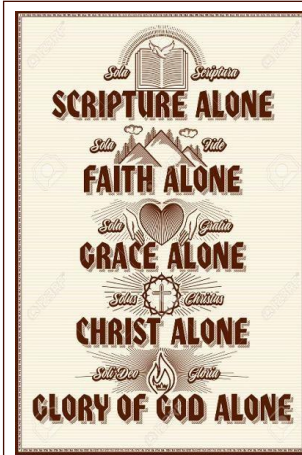
## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2023

Reformation Sunday / 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Homecoming Celebration...October 29<sup>th</sup>

NOVEMBER 2023

FALL BACK: Turn clocks back one hour on Saturday Night, November 4<sup>th</sup>  
GAL's Meeting.....Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30  
Guy's Lunch.....Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.  
~~~ Guy's Prayer Group.....Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.  
Board Meeting.....Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.  
Church Thanksgiving Dinner.....Thursday, November 23, at 3:30 p.m.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### THE ELDERS

TEACHING & WORSHIP  
Rev. H. Joseph Kler  
Senior Pastor / L.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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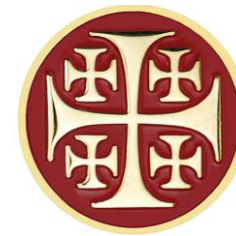
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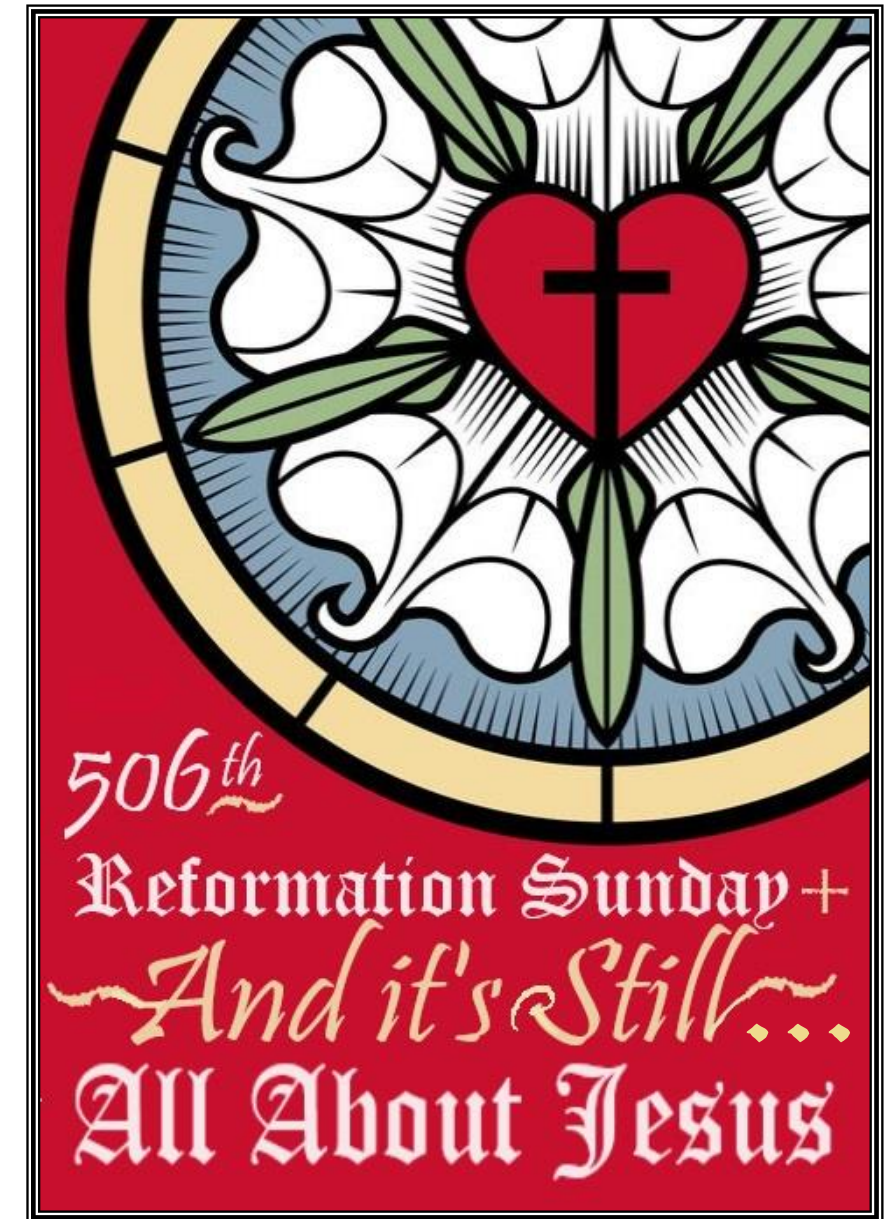
Monday - Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



# 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



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