



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
*October 30, 2022*  
**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**  
*10:00 a.m.*

PRELUDE *Piano/Chancel Organ*

STRIKING THE HOUR *"Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells*

~ BAGPIPE PROCESSIONAL ~

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

† HYMN *"His Name Is Wonderful"* Page 118  
*( All Verses )*

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

HYMN *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"* Page 151  
*( Verses 1,3,4 )*

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

PASTORAL PRAYER  
 RESPONSORIAL *"Psalm 23: The Lord's My Shepherd"* Psalter 23<sup>A</sup>  
*( Verses 1,3 )*

RESPONSIVE READING: Heidelberg Catechism (*See Reverse*)

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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
 † DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER



**WE LIFT OUR  
 VOICES IN PRAISE**

SPECIAL MUSIC

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

THE SERMON  
*"Entrusted With the Good News"*  
 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13

† THE APOSTLES' CREED

† CLOSING HYMN *"Praise Him! Praise Him!"* Page 12  
*( Verses 1,3 )*

† BENEDICTION

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

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

MEET AND GREET COFFEE FELLOWSHIP.

*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 OPPORTUNITY.



THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE  
**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Habakkuk 1:1-2:4 • Psalm 119:137-144  
 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13 • Luke 19:1-10

WE AFFIRM THE FOLLOWING:

- 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 guidelines for human sexuality: That marriage is the exclusive union of one man and one woman; and fidelity and holiness in marriage 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.

CAMPUS ATTENDANCE  
 LAST SUNDAY: 110

Are you interested in Church Membership? We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. Please see Pastor Kler today.

Our Church believes in financial transparency and so our Quarterly Reports are displayed on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.



**GIVING REPORT**

*Week Ending October 23, 2022*  
**\$1,225**

Sunday General Giving	865
Online General Giving	300
<b>Total General Gifts</b>	<b>1,165</b>
Less 3% to Building	-35
Less 10% to Missions	-117
<b>Net General</b>	<b>1,014</b>
Designated (Fund) Giving	
Building Maintenance	70
Flowers	25
<b>Total Fund Giving</b>	<b>211</b>
Net General	1,014
Designated Giving	211
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$1,225</b>

# Heidelberg Catechism

## LORD'S DAY 11

### QUESTION:

Why is Jesus called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?

### ANSWER:

Because He has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our Chief Prophet and Teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance.

Because He is our only High Priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of His body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father.

And, because He is our Eternal King who governs us by His Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom He has won for us.

## Christian Questions

### WHAT IS REFORMATION SUNDAY ALL ABOUT?

On October 31, much of the culture will be focused on candy and things that go bump in the night. Protestants, however, have something far more significant to celebrate on October 31. It's Reformation Day, which commemorates what was perhaps the greatest move of God's Spirit since the days of the Apostles. But what is the significance of Reformation Day, and how should we consider the events it commemorates?

At the time, few would have suspected that the sound of a hammer striking the castle church door in Wittenberg, Germany, would soon be heard around the world and lead ultimately to the greatest transformation of Western society since the apostles first preached the Gospel throughout the Roman empire. Martin Luther's nailing of his ninety-five theses to the church door on October 31, 1517, provoked a debate that culminated finally in what we now call the Protestant Reformation.

Initially protesting the pope's attempt to sell salvation, Luther's study of Scripture soon led him to oppose the church of Rome on issues including the primacy of the Bible over church tradition and the means by which we are found righteous in the sight of God. This last issue is probably Luther's most significant contribution to Christian theology. Though preached clearly in the New Testament and found in the writings of many of the church fathers, the medieval bishops and priests had largely forgotten the truth that our own good works can by no means merit God's favor. Salvation is by grace alone through faith alone, and good works result from our faith, they are not added to it as the grounds for our right standing in the Lord's eyes (Eph. 2:8-10). Justification, God's declaration that we are not guilty, forgiven of sin, and righteous in His sight comes because through our faith alone the Father imputes, or reckons to our account, the perfect righteousness of Christ (2 Cor. 5:21).

Luther's translation of the Bible into German put the Word of God in the hands of the common people, and today Scripture is available in the vernacular language of many countries, enabling lay people to study it freely. He reformed the Latin mass by putting the liturgy in the common tongue so that non-scholars could hear and understand the preached word of God and worship the Lord with clarity. Luther lifted the unbiblical ban on marriage for the clergy and by his own teaching and example radically transformed the institution itself. He recaptured the biblical view of the priesthood of all believers, showing all people that their work had purpose and dignity because in it they can serve their Creator.

Today, Luther's legacy lives on in the creeds and confessions of Protestant bodies worldwide. As we consider his importance this Reformation Day, let us equip ourselves to be knowledgeable proclaimers and defenders of biblical truth. May we be eager to preach the Gospel to the world, defend it in this generation and - Lord willing - spark a new reformation of church and culture.



The Chancel Flowers Placed by:  
Sam & Wanda Morrison  
In Honor of their 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



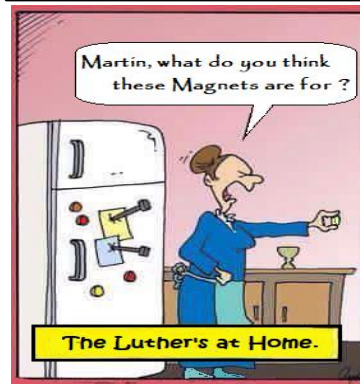
### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

-----NOVEMBER-----

Turn Your Clock Back..... Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> Before You Go to Bed  
.....DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.....  
GAL's Meeting.....Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:30  
Election Day.....Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Board Meeting.....Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.  
Guy's Lunch.....Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Official Notice: Please join us for our  
**2022 Annual Congregational Meeting**  
Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> ~ Following Worship

Meeting agenda and information packets detailing budget and by-law changes for next year will be available in the narthex beginning on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>



#### THE ELDERS

TEACHING / WORSHIP

Rev. H. Joseph Kler  
Senior Pastor / I.F.O.C. Chaplain

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Rev. John O. Strauss  
Minister of Music / Choir Director

#### OUR MUSICIANS

Pianists: Dee Schultz, Ann Dantuma,

Flutist: Donna Zenisek-Huber,

#### SOUND BOOTH TECHNICIANS

Joe Negron, Jonathan Kler

#### THE BOARD

YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

Council President John Vosteen

Vice-President Cheryl Howard

Financial Secretary Sandra Hauner

Treasurer Pam Lain

Education Midge Stott (int)

Women's Fellowship Vickie Kler

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#### OUR VOLUNTEER STAFFED

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

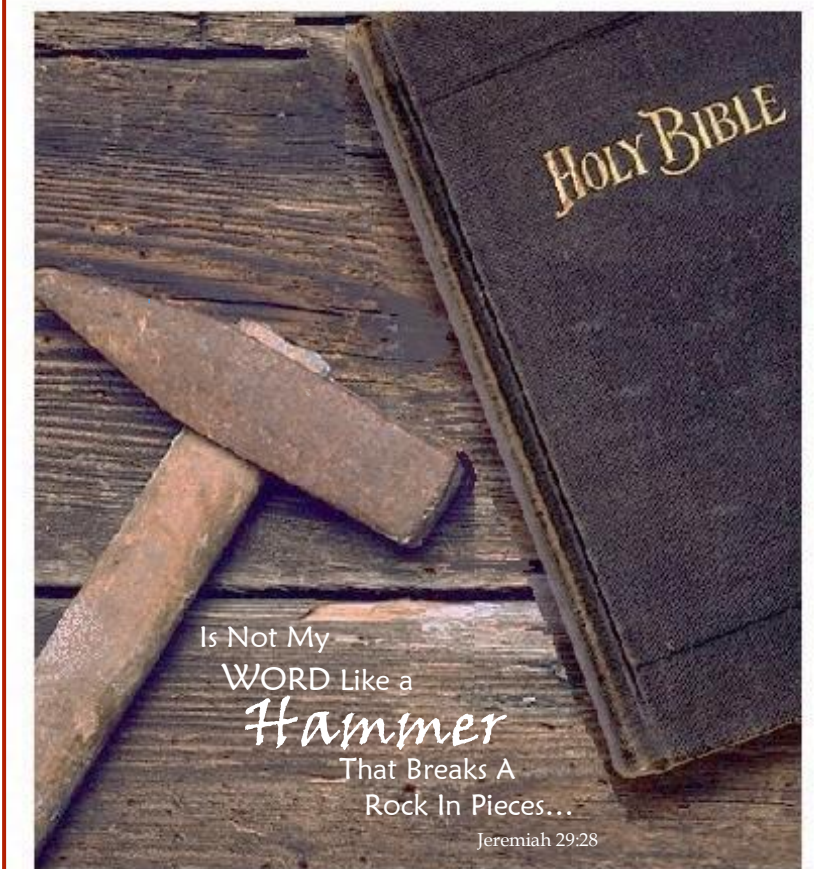
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Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but encourage one another as the Day of the Lord draws near. -Hebrews 10:25



## RE•FORMATION THEN • NOW • ALWAYS

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