

# Order of Worship

Oct 27, 2024

## GATHERING

\*Please rise as you are able, in body  
or in spirit as we sing together.

### GATHERING SONG (STAND) Reformation Song v 1-5

1: *Your Word alone is solid ground,  
the mighty rock on which we build.  
In every line the truth is found,  
and every page with glory filled.*

2: *Through faith alone  
we come to you,  
we have no merit we can claim,  
sure that your promises are true,  
we place our hope in Jesus' name.*

*Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.  
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.*

3: *In Christ alone we're justified,  
His righteousness is all our plea.  
Your law's demands are satisfied,  
His perfect work has set us free.*

*Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.  
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.*

4: *By grace alone we have been saved,  
all that we are has come from you.  
Hearts that were once by sin enslaved,  
now by your pow'r  
have been made new.*

*Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.*

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5: *And on this Reformation Day,  
we join with saints of old to sing;  
we lift our hearts as one in praise:  
Glory to Christ our gracious King!*

*Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.  
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.*

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## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (STAND)

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  
+ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to  
God for healing.

*(Silence is kept for reflection)*

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us.**  
**We confess that we have honored  
you with our lips,  
but have harmed our neighbors  
with our tongues.**  
**The cravings at war within us  
cause conflicts and disputes.**  
**In our desire to be first  
we make distinction  
among ourselves.**  
**We place the needs of the poor  
and the suffering last.**  
**In your great mercy, forgive us our  
sins.**

**Draw near to us with grace  
in time of need,  
and turn us to follow in the way  
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord.  
Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity  
and to remember our sin no more.  
By grace you have been saved.  
In the name of + Jesus Christ,  
the source of eternal healing,  
your sins are forgiven.  
**Amen.**

KYRIE/GLORIA (STAND)

Words and Music: Janine Dexter and Leah Cole

*Oh Lord, have mercy on us.  
Oh Lord, have mercy on us.*

*In peace let us pray to the Lord;  
for peace and for our salvation.  
Oh Lord, have mercy on us.*

*For the world we ask your peace.  
For the Church, and for all unity.  
Oh Lord, have mercy on us.*

*For this house and for all who are here  
to give you their worship and praise.  
Oh Lord, have mercy on us.*

*Help save, comfort,  
and defend us gracious God  
Amen! Amen!*

*(Gloria)  
Gloria  
(Glory to God forever)  
Glory to God forever*

*(Gloria, gloria)  
Gloria, gloria  
Gloria*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(STAND)

Almighty God, gracious Lord,  
we thank you that your Holy Spirit  
renews the church in every age.  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on your  
faithful people. Keep us steadfast  
in your word, protect us in times  
of trial, defend us against all  
enemies of the gospel, and bestow  
on the church your saving peace,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior  
and Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

\*You may be seated.  
The children are invited to come  
forward for the Children's Message.

*(Piano: "Jesus Loves Me")*

**WORD**

KIDS TIME

SCRIPTURE SONG

Words and Music: Janine Dexter and Leah Cole

*(Alleluia)  
Alleluia  
(Praise to the Lord God Almighty)  
Praise to the Lord God Almighty*

*(Allelu, Allelu)*  
*Allelu, Allelu*  
*Allelu*

(2x)

SCRIPTURE

*The Scripture is announced and read)*

*Romans 3:19-28*

*John 8:31-36*

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.  
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

SERMON SONG

*Take My Life, That I May Be*  
*ELW 583* v. 1, 3, 4

Refrain:

*Take my life, that I may be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

1: *Take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.*

Refrain

3: *Take my voice and let me sing  
always, only, for my King;  
take my lips and let them be  
filled with messages from thee.*

Refrain

4: *Take my will and make it thine,  
it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own,  
it shall be thy royal throne.*

Refrain

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adapt.  
Music: William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956;  
arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954  
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\*Please rise as you are able,  
in body or in spirit.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

(*STAND*)

Let us affirm our faith together.

**We believe in God,  
divine presence, gentle and loving,  
holy source of all that is.**

**We believe in Jesus,  
God's Word made flesh,  
who demonstrated the love of God,  
and who urged his followers  
to express that love in their lives.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
God's continuing presence in our  
world, breathing life and love into  
creation.**

**We believe in the church  
where people gather  
to learn about and praise God,  
to live as one people called to be  
disciples of Jesus Christ,  
bringing justice and healing  
to all of Creation.**

**Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(*STAND*)

Challenged by God's Word in Christ,  
let us pray for the church, the  
world and the whole creation.

*A brief silence.*

Lord of all, we give thanks for the  
whole church throughout the  
world. Open wide the paths  
toward unity between  
denominations so that all  
followers of Christ may join in  
shared worship and mission.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, as the dying leaves  
display their beauty, we are  
reminded that nature's cycle of  
life includes and requires both life  
and death. Instill in your people a  
mission of preservation and  
appreciation for trees, animals,  
and waterways threatened by  
climate collapse.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, in the spirit of  
reformation we pray for all who  
cry out for relief from economic  
oppression. May the hearts of  
those who occupy seats of power  
be reformed so that peace  
becomes the center of our life  
together.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Comforting God, be with all who are  
sick, suffering or grieving in our  
own community and beyond.  
Surround them with the promise  
of your love, comfort, and grace  
that never ends. We lift up those

who are most dear to our hearts ...  
*(congregation may speak  
intercessions)*

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Divine Guide, continue to challenge  
this community to be ever  
reforming in our ministries and  
outreach efforts. Inspire creative  
ideas among us so that the  
communal, grace-filled word of  
God remains at the heart of our  
ministry.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, In Christ's  
resurrection you ensure that  
although life be wrenched away,  
death cannot win the day. May the  
truth of your saving grace through  
faith sustain our hope for life in  
you.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O God, we  
commend all for whom we pray,  
trusting in the saving grace you  
freely give, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you  
always.

**And also with you.**

Let us share a sign of peace  
with one another.

*(Sharing of the Peace)*

## MEAL

### OFFERING

*(the Presider presents the Offering plates to the Ushers)*

We return to God what was first given to us.

*(the Offering plates are passed—the Ushers wait at the back)*

*(Presider motions the Ushers forward and receives the Offering plates)*

### OFFERING SONG

Words and Music: Janine Dexter and Leah Cole

***We give our thanks to God!  
We sing our praises to the Lord.  
We bring an offering  
to the most high,  
we thank you,  
our Lord God,  
we thank you.***

(2x)

***Thank you, gracious God.  
Amen.***

\*Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (STAND)

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks

to the Lord, our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right,

our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times

and in all places

give thanks and praise to you,

almighty and merciful God,

for the glorious resurrection

of our Savior Jesus Christ,

the true Paschal Lamb

who gave himself

to take away our sin,

who in dying has destroyed death,

and in rising

has brought us to eternal life.

And so with Mary Magdalene

and Peter and all the

witnesses of the resurrection,

we praise your name and

join their unending hymn:

Refrain: ***Holy, holy, holy!  
Holy, holy, holy is our God,  
is our God!  
Hosanna!  
Hosanna to our God,  
to our God!***

Song Leader:

*The mountains can't help  
but bow down to you,  
the oceans, they lift up their waves!  
With hearts that are full of gratitude,  
we boldly praise your name:*

Refrain

*(Piano music is played  
—Presider speaks over it)*

Blessed are you,  
O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness  
endures from age to age.

Praise to you for the  
words and deeds of Jesus,  
your anointed one.

Praise to you for the  
death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for  
your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was  
betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,  
and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples,  
saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body,  
given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,  
he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink,  
saying:  
This cup is the new covenant  
in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom  
as we sing together:

**The Lord's Prayer** (STAND)

*(Sung—led by Song Leaders)*

***Father, let your kingdom come.  
Father, let your will be done  
on Earth as in Heaven,  
right here in my heart.***

***Father, let your kingdom come.  
Father, let your will be done  
on Earth as in Heaven,  
right here in my heart.***

***Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us, forgive us  
as we forgive the ones  
who sinned against us; forgive  
them.***

***And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.  
Let your kingdom come.***

***It's yours, it's yours,  
all yours, all yours.  
The kingdom, the power,  
the glory are yours.***

***It's yours, it's yours,  
all yours, all yours.  
Forever and ever  
the kingdom is yours.***

***Father, let your kingdom come.  
Father, let your will be done  
on Earth as in heaven,  
right here in my heart.***

***On Earth as in heaven,  
right here in my heart.***

\*You may be seated.

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

During communion, Prayer Ministers are available in the entrance area (to my right) for personal intercessory prayer requests.

Anyone is invited to meet with them throughout our time of communion.

The communion bread we serve is gluten free. *(the wafers are not)*

Red wine is around the outside of the tray;

white grape juice is in the center.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, you may indicate that with folded hands.

This is Christ's table.

As such, all are welcome.

Come, receive.

The ushers will guide you forward.

*(Communion begins)*

## LAMB OF GOD

Words and Music: Janine Dexter and Leah Cole

***Lamb of God***

***you take away the sin of the world.***

***Lamb of God***

***you take away the sin of the world.***

***Have mercy, mercy on us.***

***Have mercy, mercy on us.***

***Lord, grant us peace, grant us peace.***

***Lord, grant us peace, grant us peace.***

(2x)

*(Communion continues  
—Communion concludes)*

\* Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.

## COMMUNION BLESSING

*(STAND)*

Holy God,

You have welcomed us to this meal  
and fed us with dignity at your  
table.

Send us now to welcome others and to  
be at peace with one another,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION SONG

*(STAND)*

Words and Music: Janine Dexter and Leah Cole

*(Thank you Lord,)*

***Thank you Lord,***

*(Praise to the Lord God Almighty,)*

***Praise to the Lord God Almighty,***

*(Praise and thanks, to our God.)*

***Praise and thanks, to our God.***

(2x)

***Praise to God.***

## **SENDING**

\*You may be seated for Our Life  
Together Announcements.

## OUR LIFE TOGETHER

*(Announcements—  
Lay Leader will facilitate)*

\*Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit, as we sing together.

SENDING SONG (STAND)

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

*ELW 504* v. 1, 2, 4

1: *A mighty fortress is our God,  
A sword and shield victorious;  
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod  
and wins salvation glorious.  
The old satanic foe  
has sworn to work us woe!  
With craft and dreadful might  
he arms himself to fight.  
On Earth he has no equal.*

2: *No strength of ours  
can match his might!  
We would be lost, rejected.  
But now a champion comes to fight,  
whom God himself elected.  
You ask who this may be?  
Lord of hosts is he!  
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,  
God's only Son, adored.  
He holds the field victorious.*

4: *God's Word forever shall abide,  
no thanks to foes, who fear it;  
for God himself fights by our side  
with weapons of the Spirit.  
Were they to take our house,  
goods, honor, child or spouse,  
though life be wrenched away,  
they cannot win the day.  
The kingdom's ours forever!*

BLESSING

(STAND)

God all mighty,  
God most merciful  
+ bless you, keep you,  
and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

DISMISSAL SONG

(STAND)

*As We Go*

*As we go,  
may your Spirit go before us.  
As we go,  
may we follow where you lead.  
May we live what we have learned,  
share the message we have heard,  
and be a light unto the world  
as we go.*

Text: Jeremy Johnson

Music: Jeremy Johnson; arr. David Shipp

DISMISSAL

(STAND)

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.  
**Thanks be to God.**