

# **SUNDAY OF THE REFORMATION**

## **BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE**

October 25, 2020

10:00 a.m.



***Do Not Fear: The Lord of Hosts Is with Us***

### **AS WE GATHER**

Martin Luther's great hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" is based on Psalm 46. When the psalm was first written, it gave courage to God's Old Testament people. Centuries later, when Luther wrote the hymn, the world was filled with plagues and death, and the devil was recognized as active in the lives of everyday people. Further, neither the Roman Catholic Church nor the government accepted the teachings of the reformers. Now, in our day, we face cyber warfare, pandemics, terrorists, political polarization, and ecclesiastical division. Because of our Baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, we need not fear. Our gracious God is a very present help in this time of trouble. He is our refuge against the powers of the created world around us and the forces of evil from every source. From His throne flow streams of mercy to give us confident joy. We know that in the end "the kingdom ours remaineth."

## **PRELUDE**

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" -Setting by Paul Manz

## **PASTORAL WELCOME**

## **OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor: Dear Lord and Savior. You promised, if we remain strong in your Word, that we would be instructed in your truth by the Spirit of God working through that Word. And that the truth we would come to know would have the power to set us free from bondage to the devil, free to become no longer slaves but sons and daughters in your house, free to serve you with our time, talent, and treasure. Help us to not despise your Word and this precious truth it brings. Help us to remain in the Word, strong in the knowledge of our faith and empowered to serve others out of response to that faith.  
Amen.

## **OPENING HYMN**

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" LSB #656

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'ertaken.  
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great  
might Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.**
- 2 With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss  
effected; But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself  
elected. Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth  
Lord, And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.**
- 3 Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will, He can  
harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done; One little word  
can fell him.**

**4 The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife, Though  
these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won; The Kingdom  
ours remaineth.**

*Stand (The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their  
Baptism.)*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.  
**Amen.****

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**INTROIT** (*Read responsively*)

*Ps. 9:1–2, 9–10; antiphon: Ps. 9:18*

For the needy shall not always be forgotten,

**and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.**

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;

**I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.**

I will be glad and exult in you;

**I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,

**a stronghold in times of trouble.**

And those who know your name put their trust in you,

**for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

**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.**

For the needy shall not always be forgotten,

**and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.**

**KYRIE** (*Chanted*)

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**C** **Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

**P** O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever *(Sit)*

**C** **Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

*Revelation 14:6–7*

<sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

## **C Thanks be to God.**

### **EPISTLE READING**

*Romans 3:19–28*

<sup>19</sup>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. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—<sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>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. <sup>26</sup>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.

<sup>27</sup>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. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

## **C Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "Grace Alone" –by Scott Brown & Jeff Nelson

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** (*Stand & sing*)

**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*John 8:31–36*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

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

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **NICENE CREED**

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the**

remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen. *(Sit)*

**SERMON HYMN** “Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing” LSB #584

- 1 Faith and truth and life bestowing, Open now the Scriptures,  
Lord, Seed to life eternal sowing, Scattered on the wind  
abroad. Let not hearts, Your Word receiving, Like a barren  
field be found, Choked with thorns and unbelieving,  
Shallow earth or stony ground.
- 2 May the Spirit’s pow’r unceasing Bring to life the hidden  
grain, Daily in our hearts increasing, Bearing fruit that shall  
remain. So in Scripture, song, and story, Savior, may Your  
voice be heard. Till our eyes behold Your glory Give us ears  
to hear Your Word.

**SERMON** Sola Gracie! Sola Fide! Sola Christos! Sola Scriptura!  
*Romans 3:19–28*

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

“Before the Throne of God Above” –Vernon Griffiths

**OFFERTORY** *(Stand & sing)*

- C** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the  
name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call  
on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now  
in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's  
house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** *(Congregation response to petitions:  
Hear our prayer.)*

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **PRAEFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### **SANCTUS**

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

P **Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.**

**Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us**

together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### LORD'S PRAYER *(Spoken)*

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

**C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*(Piano solo)* "Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto my Feet"

"Just As I Am" –LSB #570, St. 1, 5 & 6

- 1 Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**
- 5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**
- 6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**"Christ, the Word of God Incarnate" LSB #540, St. 1, 2 & 4**

- 1 Christ, the Word of God incarnate, Lord and Son of Abraham; Christ, the radiance of the Father, Perfect God, the great I AM; Christ, the light, You shine unvanquished, Light and life You bring to all; Light our path with Your own presence, Grant us grace to heed Your call.**
- 2 Christ, the living bread from heaven, Food for body, food for soul; Christ, the manna daily given, Nourish, strengthen, make us whole. Feed us with the food of heaven, Foretaste of the feast to be; Quench our thirst with living water Springing up eternally.**
- 4 Christ, our good and faithful shepherd, Watching all Your lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheepfold, Never-failing vigil keep. When we stray, Good Shepherd, seek us, Find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of God, our shepherd, keep us; Let us hear Your voice alone.**

**NUNC DIMITTIS** (*Stand & sing*)

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- C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all**

**people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

**P** Let us pray.

**P** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

**C Amen.**

### **CLOSING HYMN**

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” LSB #575St. 1-4

**1 My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness; No merit of my own I claim But wholly lean on Jesus’ name. Refrain**

***Refrain***

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.**

- 2 When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain
- 3 His oath, His covenant and blood Support me in the raging flood; When ev'ry earthly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righteousness alone, Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

## POSTLUDE

"Mighty Fortress" -Setting by David Cherwien

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## SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher:	Rev. Peter Spallek
Organist/Director:	Ellen Brown
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Lector:	Don Schumm
Greeters:	Kathy Held
Acolyte:	Joe Carlin

Visitors, please sign (with a complete address) our **Guest Book** on the podium in the entryway before you leave and/or complete a **grey "Worship Information" card** found in the pew in front of you. Members are also encouraged to complete a "Worship Information" card (you can update address and phone number, request a pastoral visit).

**Pastor Spallek** is available to you for pastoral and spiritual needs (prayer support, hospital calls, counseling, private communion, etc). By

appointment any time during the week, if needed, he will meet with anyone at the church. You may reach him through the office.

**WE CAN ASSIST THOSE UNABLE TO HEAR WELL...We have 3 cordless headsets available to use in the pews. Just let an usher know and they will be happy to bring you one.**

**Attendance for 10-18-20 Bible Study—9, Worship Service—26  
Income report for 10-18-20: Loose Plate \$70, Weekly Envelopes \$2480,  
Designated Gifts \$106, Other \$; Total \$2656. 10-17-20 Fish Fry:  
Designated Gifts \$1060.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **October 25, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in in Fuerbringer Hall

**10 AM The Sunday of the Reformation Worship & LWML Mite Box**

*(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)*

### **October 29, Thursday**

9 AM-1 PM Pastor Spallek in office (may be on shut-in visits in after noon)

### **November 1, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in in Fuerbringer Hall

**10 AM All Saints Day Sunday Worship w/Holy Communion**

**Prayer List:** We pray: For strength, comfort and healing for those going through chemo treatment--**Cristina Spallek, Gerri Koski and Gerald Goschie** in hospice care; **Amina Kruck** skin cancer; We pray for Your continued blessings of healing for **Glenn Brown, Larry Wroblewski, Tina Davis, Maebell Beard, Judy Pfeil, Billy** after surgery, **Tony Brazel** now recovering at home.

### **Lutheran Hour Broadcast - KFAX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:**

November 1 "**Some People Never change?**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Some people never change. Most people do. With God, all people can. (Daniel 4)

**FOR AT HOME WORSHIPERS WHO STILL VIEW SERVICES  
ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS ARE BELOW:**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE YOU CAN GO ONLINE & VIEW AT**

- 1) Open a webpage browser (internet explorer, chrome, firefox, etc.)**
- 2) Type or paste the following link into your address bar:  
[www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/](http://www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/)**
- 3) Option 1 - Scroll until you find a post that shows a “Live” feed titled for the Sunday service, or**
- 4) Option 2 - Click on the “Videos” button on the left hand sidebar (ignore anything asking you to sign up or sign in to Facebook)**
- 5) Look for the video titled for the date of the Sunday service. Video stream will be live starting at or around 10am. If it does not show up, try refreshing the page. The video of the service will remain on the page if you would like to view it at a later time, or to replay it again at your discretion.**



## **HOLY COMMUNION. . .OUR UNDERSTANDING**

*It is the special joy of the baptized and instructed Christian to celebrate Christ in our very midst with the Sacrament of the Altar (Holy Communion). The Scripture clearly and carefully teaches that, in Holy Communion, the very Body and the very Blood of our Lord Jesus are really present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine. It also teaches that "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord (acknowledging the Real Presence of Jesus with the elements) eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Corinthians 11:28-29).*

*Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and "worthy" when they:*

- *are truly penitent of their sins;*
- *even now embrace Jesus as their Savior and recognize His Real Presence in the bread and the wine; and*
- *seek to amend their sinful lives, with the assistance of this Meal and the power of the Holy Spirit.*

***If you have any further questions, please speak with the Pastor before the service.***

*Other notes on the distribution of Holy Communion:*

- *1) Wine is the Biblical standard for all communicants. However, grape juice is in some glasses and available in the center of each tray for those who have an intolerance to alcohol.*
- *2) The Blood of Christ, in, with and under the wine, is served in individual glasses and common cup. Please choose your preference..*
- *3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*