Reformation Day

October 31, 2021

Invocation

- ${f P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie

- **P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

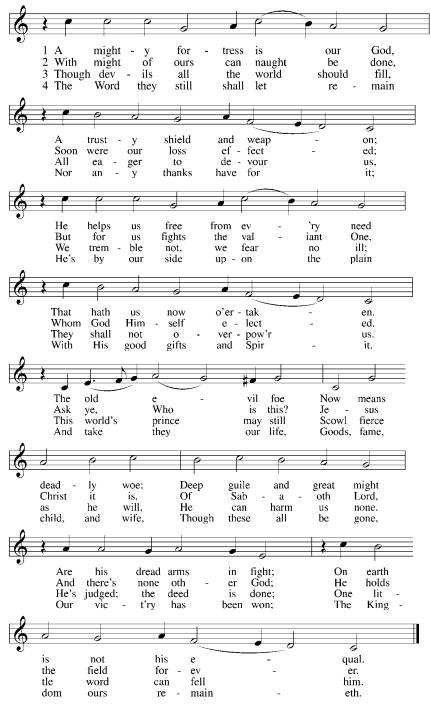
Confession & Absolution

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from Romans 5: "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."
- C Amen.



Opening Hymn #656

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



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Psalm

- I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.
- 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.

Old Testament Reading

²⁰"Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together. you survivors of the nations! They have no knowledge who carry about their wooden idols, and keep on praying to a god that cannot save. ²¹Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the LORD? And there is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none besides me. ²²"Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. ²³By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow. every tongue shall swear allegiance.' ²⁴"Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. ²⁵In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 45:20–25

Holy Gospel

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

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

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.



Sermon Hymn

By Faith



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Epistle

¹¹But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. ¹²For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. ¹³And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. ¹⁴But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

¹⁷But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. ²⁰I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Prayer

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

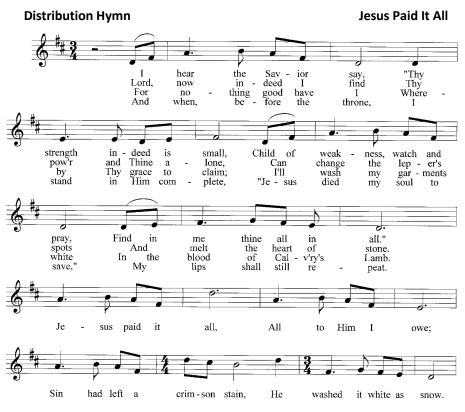
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ⊢t+ everlasting. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

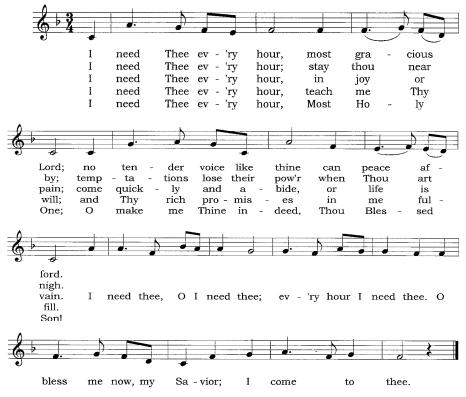
Holy Communion



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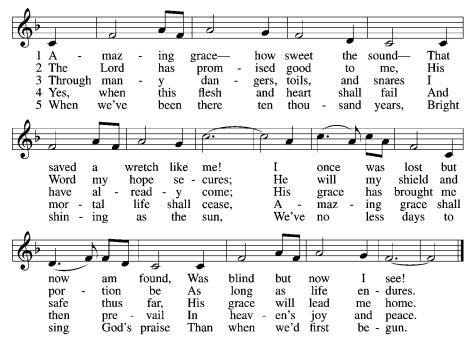
I Need Thee Every Hour



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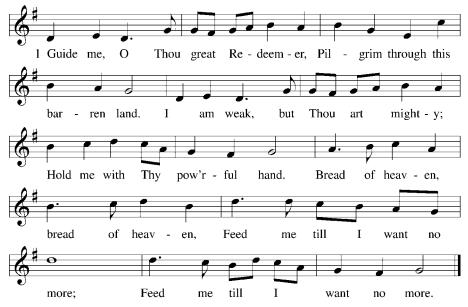


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Nunc Dimittis

P Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.

For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
Which You have prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.
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.



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Benediction

- 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.

Announcements

Today

- Bible Study 9:15 AM Masks Optional: Adults meet in the Sanctuary; Children meet downstairs
- * No Youth Confirmation
- ✤ <u>No</u> Sunday Evening Prayer
- ✤ <u>No</u> New Member Class
- Tuesday
 - Men's Bible Study 6:30 7:30 AM
 - Youth Group 6:30- 8:00 PM
- Wednesday
 - Zoom Bible Study (The Screwtape Letters) 7:00 PM. Contact Aaron for a Zoom invitation.
- Saturday
 - Women of Faith Bible Study: 9:00 AM

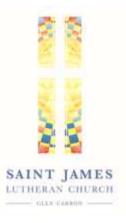
Spaghetti Take-out Lunch November 7th after late service

Come hungry on Sunday, November 7th and support the youth trip to the Y4Life (Youth for Life) National March for Life in Washington DC January 20-22. Six of our young people will be attending this event to learn how to be gospel-motivated voices for Life through service, education, worship, and celebration. We also still have some spots open! For more information, please contact Pam Meister or call the church office 618-288-6120.

Collections for our **Madison County Elementary Schools Mission** are underway! With the weather getting colder we are in need of the following:

- Children's cloth face masks (Kindergarten 5th Grade) Boys & Girls
- Waterproof gloves: Children's Small, Medium, Large (Kindergarten 5th Grade)
- Hats: Children's Small, Medium, Large (Kindergarten 5th Grade)

All donations can be dropped off at the church. A collection bin will be located outside the church office by the stairwell. Thank you for serving the children in our area! If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Hall: 314-477-1031 or call the church office 618-288-6120.



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