

Reformation Day

October 27, 2024

Opening Hymn

By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God in the
By faith our fa - thers roamed the earth with the
By faith the pro - phets saw a day when the
By faith the church was called to go in the
By faith this moun - tain shall be moved and the

light of cre - a - tion's grand de - sign, in the
pow'r of His prom - ise in their hearts, of a
longed - for Mes - si - ah would ap - pear with the
pow'r of the Spir - it to the lost to de -
pow'r of the gos - pel shall pre - vail, for we

lives of those who prove His faith - ful - ness,
ho - ly cit - y built by God's own hand,
pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
liv - er cap - tives and to preach good news
know in Christ all things are pos - si - ble

who walk by faith and not by sight. v. 2
a place where peace and jus - tice reign. chorus
and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. v. 4 We will
in ev - 'ry cor - ner of the earth. chorus
for all who call up - on His name. chorus

stand as chil - dren of the prom - ise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our

soul's re - ward. Till the race is fin - ished and the work is done,

we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

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Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Kyrie

To the tune New Britain ("Amazing Grace")

Look down in mercy on us, Lord.
Receive our prayers and praise,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word,
For your amazing grace.

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

Confession and Absolution

- P** Let us confess our sin to God:
O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love,
- C** **We are embarrassed to come before you, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and have gotten into trouble, for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether. And therefore we are embarrassed. To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face.**
- P** O Lord, great God, all holy, Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love.
- C** **Incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy - on the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for He is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.**
- P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** Amen.
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- P** I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.
- C** **He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog,**
- P** and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.
- C** **He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.**
- P** Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 46

- P** God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- C** **Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**
- P** though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- C** **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- P** God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.
- C** **The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**
- P** the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- C** **Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.**
- P** He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.
- C** **“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”**
- P** The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- C** **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.**

Gloria

To the tune Mendelssohn (“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”)

Angels, sing, and earth reply: "Glory be to God on high!"
 God who flung the stars in space, God who formed the human race,
 God the mind and God the cause, God the source of nature's laws,
 God of wisdom, pow'r, and love, God of gods, all gods above.
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 God who saw your creatures fall, loved them still, and loved them all,
 Gave your only Son to prove what is mercy, what is love;
 And the Spirit, given free, recreates your family.
 Angels, sing, and earth reply: "Glory be to God on high!"

Revelation Reading

Revelation 14:6–7

⁶Then 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. ⁷And 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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 3:19–28

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

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

²⁷Then 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. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sermon Hymn # 656

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
 2 With might of ours can naught be done,
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
 Soon were our loss ef - fect ed;
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
 But for us fights the val - iant One,
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
 He's by our side up - on the plain



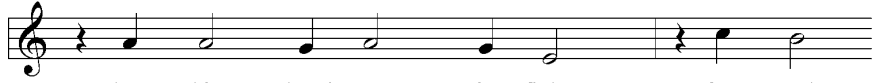
That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
 Whom God Him - self e - lect ed.
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none,
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -



is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main - eth.

Holy Gospel

John 8:31–36

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

C **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.

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

Credo

To the tune St Denio (“Immortal, Invisible”)

Great God, our Creator, from whom all receive
Their being and blessing, in you we believe.
Almighty, all-knowing, all-gracious, all-true,
Provider and Father, our trust is in you.

And you, Jesus Christ, we affirm as our Lord,
True son of the Father, by angels adored;
Redeemer incarnate, you paid for our sins,
And, joined in your rising, our new life begins.

Free Spirit of wisdom and power and love,
On us, as on Christ, you descend from above;
You call us, you cleanse us, you open our eyes,
You keep us in peace, you restore paradise.

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Sermon

Offering

Please take a moment to register your attendance in either the “Record of Friendship” booklet, using the QR code located in the “Week-at-a Glance” section at the end of this bulletin, or on the inside cover of the Record of Friendship Booklet.

Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Apostles' Creed

- C** 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 † everlasting. Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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

To the tune Nicaea ("Holy, Holy, Holy")

"Holy, holy, holy!" all the saints in glory
Fill your temple with their song around your golden throne;
"Holy, holy, holy!" with them we adore Thee;
God in three persons, all in Christ as one.

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Lord's Prayer

- 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.

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei

To the tune Olivet ("My Faith Looks Up to Thee")

Meek, slaughtered lamb of God, Bearing the sinners' load To buy our peace:
Now risen and enthroned, With life and glory crowned, To all the lost and found
Please grant your peace.

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Distribution

Distribution Hymn # 849

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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Distribution Hymn

By Grace Alone

Out of the depths I cry to You; Lord, hear my voice of
Your par-don is a gift of love; Your grace a-lone must
Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more a-

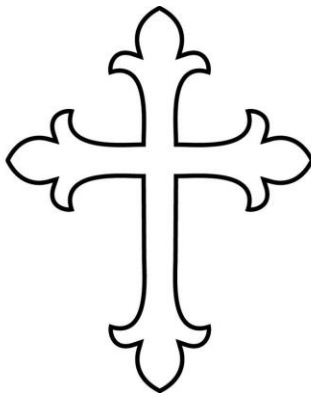
plead-ing. Bend down Your gra-cious ear, I pray, Your hum-ble
save us. Our works will not re-move our guilt; the strict-est
bound-eth. His help-ing love no lim-it knows; our ut-most

ser-vant heed-ing. If You re-mem-ber each mis-
life would fail us. Let none in deeds or mer-its
need it sound-eth. Our kind and faith-ful Shep-herd

deed, and of each thought and word take heed, who can re-
boast, but let us own the Ho-ly Ghost, for He a-
He, who will set all His peo-ple free from all their

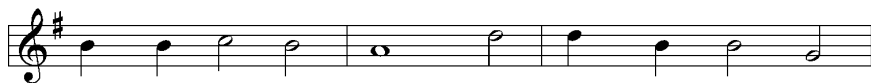
main be-fore You? On-ly by grace, by grace a-lone.
lone can change us: On-ly by grace, by grace a-lone.
sin and sor-row: On-ly by grace, by grace a-lone.

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Distribution Hymn # 528**Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -
 3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That
 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He



great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the



God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
 earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
 foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own
 Your God, ye fallen race.
 Look and be saved through faith alone,
 Be justified by grace.

6 See all your sins on Jesus laid;
 The Lamb of God was slain.
 His soul was once an off'ring made
 For ev'ry soul of man.

7 To God all glory, praise, and love
 Be now and ever giv'n
 By saints below and saints above,
 The Church in earth and heav'n.

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The Dismissal

Closing Hymn # 924

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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Benediction

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- 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.**

This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service – 9:00 AM
- [Sunday School](#) – 10:45 AM
- [Adult Bible Study](#) – 10:45 AM
- Youth Confirmation – 11:45 AM

Wednesday

- [Men's Bible Study](#) – 6:30 AM
- [Youth Group](#) – 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM @ The Staake's Home

Announcements

Call for Nominations

We are extending the deadline for pastoral nominations until 11/3. You may submit names to callcommittee@stjamesglencarbon.org or to any member of the call committee. Please continue to pray for our church, the committee, and the pastor whom God will provide for us.

[Second Tuesday Women's Bible Study](#)

Where: St. James Fellowship Hall

When: The Second Tuesday of each month from 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Our first meeting will be **Tuesday Nov. 12th**, and it will be a Friendsgiving theme. A fun take on a traditional holiday meal. Meat will be provided, and guests are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. The first meeting will be a get-to-know everyone and a brief introduction to the study we will be doing. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please either sign up there or text Shala Baker at 618-315-0788 if you plan to come and what you want to bring.

Glen-Ed Pantry suggests you “TP the Pantry” in October. Toilet paper, paper towels as well as hygiene products are basic needs for everyone but are not covered by SNAP (Food Stamps). By donating these items, you help our families' dollars to go much further. Thank you!

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to an Open House on today, Oct. 27. Stop by anytime between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to tour our campus, meet our teachers, chat with administrators, and get answers to all of your questions about the Knight life. For more information, call the school office at 618-656-0043 or email admissions@melhs.org.

Metro-East Lutheran High School will host its **45th annual Night of Knights Dinner Auction** on Friday, Nov. 1, at Julia's Banquet Center in East Alton. Doors open at 5 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 PM. Tickets are now available to purchase online at <https://auctria.events/night-of-knights-auction-2024>. For more information, email office@melhs.org.

Surviving the Holidays from GriefShare to be held at Zion Bethalto

“Surviving the Holidays” — a special free GriefShare event for those grieving the loss of loved ones — will take place in the church sanctuary at Zion Lutheran Church, Bethalto, on Sunday, November 10, 2024, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Adults and teens are invited to hear a presentation about resources, strategies and tools for coping with grief during the holiday season. For more information, call the church office at 618-377-8314. Go to <https://www.griefshare.org/events/243531> to find more details and register for the event.

Nursery Attendants Needed

We would love to provide nursery care during worship service in the Fellowship Hall Nursery Room. Ideally, we can create a rotating schedule of no less than 5 volunteers. If you are able to serve in this capacity, please contact Cheryl in the church office 618-288-6120 or cheryl@stjamesglencarbon.org.

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If you are interested in subscribing to the Lutheran Witness magazine through St. James, please contact Cheryl in the school office no later than November 3rd. One-year subscriptions are \$27.85.

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