

*So if the Son  
sets you free,  
you will be  
free indeed*

**Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
Plano, Texas**

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### Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

### A Prayer before Worship

*Dear Father, I pray for myself and all the world: Keep us steadfast in Your Holy Word, and do not take it from us because of our sin, laziness, and ungratefulness. Preserve us from divisive spirits and false teachers. Send us true and right workers in Your harvest, who will be devout pastors and preachers. Give us all grace that we may humbly hear, receive, and honor their Word as Your own, and heartily thank You for it. Amen*

*(M. Luther, 1483-1546)*

### Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

### Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

### For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

*"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 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 eats and drinks judgment on himself."* 1Corinthians 11:27-29

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my Savior?
3. Do I believe that He is present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

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# Reformation Sunday

October 31, 2021

10:00 AM

Divine Service V – *LSB 213*

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## Prelude

*Stand*

## Entrance Hymn

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”, *LSB 656*

The musical score is written on ten staves of five-line music paper. The melody is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score includes a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, as well as rests. There are several measures with multiple lyrics, indicating different parts of the hymn. The score ends with a double bar line.

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;  
He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
But for us fights the val - iant One,  
That hath us now o'er - tak - en.  
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.  
The old e - vil foe Now means  
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus  
dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,  
Are his dread arms in fight; On earth  
And there's none oth - er God; He holds  
is the not field his e - qual.  
the for - ev - er.

Choir only:

- 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.*

{Interlude}

All:

- 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.

### Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

LSB 213

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

*Matthew 28-19b, [18:20]*

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

**C** Amen.

*[Hebrews 10:22]*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins  
unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to  
grant us forgiveness.

*Psalm 124:8*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalm 32:5*

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with  
which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and  
eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent  
of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the  
holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus  
Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

*[John 20:19-23]*

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained  
servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead  
and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the  
name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## +++Service of the Word+++

### Kyrie

“Kyrie! God, Father”

LSB 942


Sunday School Choir:


*Kyrie! God, Father in heav'n above,  
You abound in gracious love,  
Of all things the maker and preserver.  
Eleison! Eleison!*


Men:  Ky - ri - e! O Christ, our king, Sal - va - tion for all You came to bring.

 O Lord Je - sus, God's own Son, Our me - di - a - tor at the heav'n - ly throne:

 Hear our cry and grant our sup - pli - ca - tion. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!

All:  Ky - ri - e! O God the Ho - ly Ghost, Guard our faith, the

 gift we need the most, And bless our life's last hour, That we leave this

 sin - ful world with glad - ness. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!

## Gloria in Excelsis:

“All Glory Be to God on High”

LSB 947

1 All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His  
 2 We praise and laud and wor - ship You; We give You thanks for -  
*Choir Only:* 3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Be - got - ten of the  
 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And source of con - so -

fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A  
 ev - er, O Fa - ther, for Your rule is true And  
 Fa - ther, Your sav - ing death has made us one With  
 la - tion, Pro - tect us from the dev - il's might Through

child of God for - ev - er. God shows His good and  
 just and chang - es nev - er. With bound - less pow'r, Your  
 God and with each oth - er. O Lamb of God, to  
 Je - sus, our sal - va - tion, Who by His death up -

gra - cious will And grants His peace, the world to fill—  
 might - y reign Ful - fills what - ev - er You or - dain.  
 You on high In our dis - tress we sin - ners cry,  
 on a tree Has res - cued us from mis - er - y:

All strife at last has end - ed. *(Interlude)*  
 Lord, grant us ev - 'ry bless - ing! *(Interlude)*  
 Have mer - cy on us, a - men! *(Interlude)*  
 To this we hold for - ev - er.

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 205

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Sit

## 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.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Choral Gradual

Psalms 48:1a, 12–14a

*Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised  
in the city of our God!  
Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,  
consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,  
that you may tell the next generation  
that this is God, our God forever and ever.*

## Epistle

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.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

# Hymn of the Day

"Thy Strong Word"

LSB 578 sts. 1-3, 5-6

*Choir Only:*



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with  
 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glo - ry, Tongues Thy  
 6 God the Fa - ther, light - cre - a - tor, To Thee

speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of  
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we  
 mer - cy to pro - claim, Throats that shout the  
 laud and hon - or be. To Thee, Light of

light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.  
 hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy ho - ly name.  
 Light be - got - ten, Praise be sung e - ter - nal - ly.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! May the  
 Ho - ly Spir - it, light - re - veal - er, Glo - ry,

Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
 light which Thou dost send Fill our songs with  
 glo - ry be to Thee. Mor - tals, an - gels,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ias, Al - le - lu - ias with - out end!  
 now and ev - er Praise the ho - ly Trin - i - ty!

*Stand*

## 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

*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

LSB 215

- P** Friends in Christ, I urge you all to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me as Christ our Lord has taught us and freely promised to hear us.

God, our Father in heaven, look with mercy on us, Your needy children on earth, and grant us grace that Your holy name be hallowed by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of Your Word and the fervent love shown forth in our lives. Graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby Your precious name is blasphemed and profaned. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** May Your kingdom come to us and expand. Bring all transgressors and those who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom to know Jesus Christ, Your Son, by faith that the number of Christians may be increased. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Strengthen us by Your Spirit according to Your will, both in life and in death, in the midst of both good and evil things, that our own wills may be crucified daily and sacrificed to Your good and gracious will. Into Your merciful hands we commend [name(s)] and all who are in need, praying for them at all times: Thy will be done. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us trust in You to provide for all our needs. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may be at peace and may rejoice in a good conscience before You, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** And lastly, O heavenly Father, deliver us from all evil of both body and soul, now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

*(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, an offering plate has been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)*

*Stand*

## +++Service of the Sacrament+++

### Preface

LSB 216

*2 Timothy 4:22, [Colossians 3:1], [Psalm 136]*

**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 our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. 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.

### Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**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.

**P** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

### The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24,*

*Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

**P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Sanctus

“Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old,” *LSB 960*



I - sa-iah, might-y seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spir-it



did be-hold High on a loft-y throne, in splen-dor bright, With robes that



filled the tem-ple courts with light. A-bove the throne were flam-ing ser-a-phim;



Six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of Him. With two they veiled their



fac-es as was right, With two they hum-bly hid their feet from sight,



And with the oth-er two a-loft they soared; One to the oth-er



called and praised the Lord: “Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth!



Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of



Sab-a-oth! His glo-ry fills the heav-ens and the earth!” The beams and lin-tels



trem-bled at the cry, And clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

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## Pax Domini

*John 20:19; LSB 217*

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

**C** Amen.

*Sit*



## Agnus Dei

*John 1:29; LSB 198*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the

world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The musical notation for 'Agnus Dei' is presented in five staves. The first four staves contain the main text, and the fifth staff contains the final line. The melody is in treble clef, key of B-flat major (two flats), and 4/4 time. The text is written in a serif font, with hyphens used for syllables that span across measures. The final line of the hymn, 'A - men.', is written in a larger font size and is centered on the fifth staff.

## Distribution

*Communicants are asked to hold forth their open hand to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it.*

## Distribution Hymn

The *Lutheran Service Book* is located in the basket underneath the chair in front of you.

**Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice**  
**Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word**

*LSB 556*

*LSB 655*

*Stand*

## Post-Communion Hymn:

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”

*LSB 617 st. 1, 3*



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,  
3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor

In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -

bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that  
geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this

they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!

May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our  
Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that

sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

## Post-Communion Collect

*LSB 218*

- P** Let us pray.  
O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

*[Psalm 103:1]*

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

## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24–26*

- 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

“How Could I Stand, If Not for Christ”

*Katherine Dubke\*\*\**



1. How could I stand, if not for Christ Who calls me to be
2. I stand on what I can - not see, Yet I am not for -
3. The place I stand is ho - ly ground Be - neath a cro - ss's
4. Now bold - ly i Christ's love, I stand, For He a - lone is



faith - ful? I scoffed at truth and sa - vored lies Un -  
sa - ken. For Christ has strength - ened my weak knees And  
shad - dow Where Christ en - dured a bru - tal crown, And  
a - ble. In life, in death, the time at hand - Lord



til His Word en - a - bled My soul to yearn for  
I will not be shake - en. Though all the world quakes  
bore my sins and sor - row. What else could change this  
help me to be faith - ful! Yes, I will see Him



Liv - ing Bread, My will to seek His  
in dis - stress, I lean up - on His  
blem - ished soul In - to God's chi - ld,  
face to face And stand with all who



will in - stead. His Word a - lone is a - ble.  
prom - i - ses. By faith a - lone I'm a - ble.  
pure and whole? His grace a - lone is a - ble.  
lived by grace. To God a - lone all glo - ry!

*Sit*

## Announcements

### Dismissal

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

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An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

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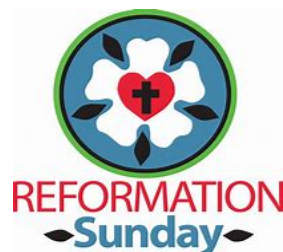
## A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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**\*\*\*Katherine Dubke** was commissioned by Lord of Life in 2017 to write a hymn for us in honor of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Luther posting his 95 Theses. She crafted the words to “How Could I Stand, If Not for Christ” and we sing it this morning to the tune of *Es Ist Das Heil*.

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A potluck lunch, hosted by Family Ministry, will follow our service today. Come enjoy a delicious lunch, play some games, and celebrate the Reformation!

Brats, hotdogs, and sodas will be provided by the church. Attendees are invited (but not required) to bring a favorite side dish or dessert.

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**Calling all HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!!!** It's all around you – 24 hour news cycles, seemingly inescapable social media outlets – anyone can spread anything in the name of information instantly and worldwide. What have you heard about sex? Who do you have this conversation with? Where do you find answers? Start here with “*The Talk: What the Bible says about sex and why it says it.*”

**When:** Thursday, November 4, 2021, 7:00pm

**Where:** Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 3601 West 15th St., Plano TX 75075

**What:** “The talk” all high schoolers need to hear, but likely won't engage their parents with. A Biblical look at the good gift of sex and its proper use presented by Rev. Joel Shaltanis, Lord of Life Lutheran Church Pastor, highly attended & long time presenter at Higher Things Youth Conferences, former college professor, homeschool dad, and more.

Tell others, bring your friends, and bring your questions (Q & A to follow).

## Volunteers Needed

Please sign up to greet and/or bring cookies. This event is open to the community.

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## Christmas at the Meyerson

The Dallas Symphony Association has made the decision to move forward with the Christmas concerts. In accordance with CDC guidelines, masks will be required for all attendees. As a reminder to those of you who expressed interest in attending, the concert is on December 12, at 3:00 p.m. The ticket cost is \$30.00. If you are no longer interested in attending, please contact Gail Senter at 972-672-5769 or [gail.senter@verizon.net](mailto:gail.senter@verizon.net) by Wednesday, November 10.

## Seminar on Wills, Estates & Trusts

The Endowment Committee is hosting a seminar on wills, estates & trusts November 6th at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Lord of Life. Local family law attorney Susan Periquet returns as our

speaker. Susan has conducted this planning event several years for our congregation and attendees have found the session extremely helpful. Hope to see you in attendance.

### Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits/Quilts Packing

We will be assembling kits on Friday, November 12 at 10:00 am to ship out on the 13th. Please remember to bring the items you signed up for before then.

### Life Thoughts in the Church Year

The grace of God doesn't prevail only in private. His life-giving words belong in bedrooms and on bodies (Deuteronomy 6:6-8), brought before congregations and into conversations for the sanctity of every human life. So, we do not keep these life-affirming convictions to ourselves because His blessings become even better when celebrating them with others (Deuteronomy 6:3).

### CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFuo.org

Happy Reformation! Study Ecclesiastes 4-7 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), Ezekiel 32-36 on Sharper Iron's "The Faithful Watchman" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us in daily chapel services at 10:00 a.m. CT from the LCMS International Center. Hear your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or on the KFuo Radio app.

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### Real Options Prayer Requests

*Real Options* sends out weekly newsletters, which include prayers needed for those grappling with hard choices on life topics. They are posted on the Lutherans for Life bulletin board in the hallway, between the narthex and the church offices.

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### Luther's Seal

"Grace and peace from the Lord. As you desire to know whether my painted seal, which you sent to me, has hit the mark, I shall answer most amiably and tell you my original thoughts and reason about why my seal is a symbol of my theology. **The first should be a black cross in a heart**, which retains its natural color, so that I myself would be reminded that faith in the Crucified saves us. 'For one who believes from the heart will be justified' (Romans 10:10). Although it is indeed a black cross, which mortifies and which should also cause pain, it leaves the heart in its natural color. It does not corrupt nature, that is, it does not kill but keeps alive. 'The just shall live by faith' (Romans 1:17) but by faith in the Crucified. **Such a heart should stand in the middle of a white rose**, to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace. In other words, it places the believer into a white, joyous rose, for this faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). That is why the rose should be white and not red, for white is the color of the spirits and the angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). **Such a rose should stand in a sky-blue field**, symbolizing that such joy in spirit and faith is a beginning of the heavenly future joy, which begins already, but is grasped in hope, not yet revealed. **And around this field is a golden ring**, symbolizing that such blessedness in Heaven lasts forever and has not end. Such blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and goods, just as gold is the most valuable, most precious and best metal.

May Christ, our beloved Lord, be with your spirit until the life hereafter. Amen."

*Luther interprets his seal in a July 8, 1530 letter to Lazarus Spengler.*



## Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:	Pastor Joel Shaltanis
Organist:	Victoria Frinsko
Trumpet:	Justin Anderson, Kathryn Kolb
French Horn:	Curtis Peters
Trombone:	Pete Ehrett
Timpani:	Brian Wolf
Altar Guild:	Lynda Abbott, Nelda Schrank, Don Padgett, Emma Padgett
Greeter:	Terry Strecker
Elder:	Greg Moudy
Ushers:	Mike Paradise, Stephen Strecker
Sound:	Garrett Hacker

## This Week at Lord of Life-Today, Oct. 31, 2021

10:00 am Reformation Worship Service  
 11:30 am Potluck Celebration

Tuesday, November 2

12:00 pm Women's Bible Study (BYO lunch)

Wednesday, November 3

10:00 am Mid-Weed Bible Study –  
*Special presentation from the Millers*  
 7:00 pm Adult Choir

Thursday, November 4

7:00 pm *The Talk*

Friday, November 5

9:00 am Comfort Makers

Saturday, November 6

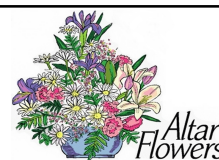
7:30 am Men's Bible Breakfast  
 9:30 am Estate Planning Seminar  
 9:30 am Handbell Practice

## Next Sunday's Readings November 7, 2021

First Reading: Rev. 7:(2–8) 9–17

Epistle: 1 John 3:1–3

Gospel: Matt. 5:1–12



The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Duffy & Cindy Carter in celebration of Jonah's birthday today; and by Barbara Sinclair in celebration of Judy's & Shea's birthdays tomorrow.



Reformation Day

**About the Cover:** With the eyes of faith, we see that Christ's cross, like the sun breaking through the clouds, has broken through our bondage to sin. In Him, we are free indeed because He has burst the shackles of our captivity by His redemptive sacrifice. This Jesus is the Son of God, who has the authority to redeem us. This Jesus was, is, and will be the heart of the Reformation message of eternal freedom that flows from the forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel.