

October 31, 2021

Reformation Day | Yr B



Confirmation

Holy Baptism

Ross Aldorfer — Hayden Baka — Francis Cusey

Jamison Hoffman — Devon Kreisler

Gavin David Tousignant, son of Cole & Carly Tousignant

Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

C: like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in ☩ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

C: Amen.

HYMN: *How Firm a Foundation*

vss. 1 & 4

ELW #796

1 **How firm a foundation , O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**

4 **“Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove
My sov’rein, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Almighty God, gracious Lord,

C: we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them 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.

PSALM 46 *Read Responsively*

L: God is our refuge and strength,

C: a very present help in trouble.

L: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

C: and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

L: though its waters rage and foam,

C: and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

C: the holy habitation of the Most High.

L: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;

C: God shall help it at the break of day.

L: The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;

C: God speaks, and the earth melts away.

L: The LORD of hosts is with us;

C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

L: Come now, regard the works of the LORD,

C: what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

L: behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

**C: who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns
the shields with fire.**

L: “Be still, then, and know that I am God;

C: I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

L: The LORD of hosts is with us;

C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: JOHN 8:31-36

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’”

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P: The Word of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE: Intern Pastor Al Aakre

HYMN: *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry* All vss. ELW #732

- 1 **"I was there to hear your borne cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light, you wandered off, to find where demons dwell."**
- 2 **"When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time, and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme, from dusk till rising sun."**
- 3 **"In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise."**
- 4 **"I was there to hear your borne cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."**

HOLY BAPTISM – Welcome by Congregation

L: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative
and redeeming word to all the world.**

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM - Response by Congregation

L: Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

**C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give
thanks and praise to God, and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

SHARING THE PEACE & GLOBE OFFERING

*Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church.
Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.*

OFFERING OF GIFTS & OFFERING PRAYER

P. God of abundance,

C. **you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the
heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering
of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION — LORD'S PRAYER – COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* *All vss.* ELW #582

- 1 **Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding e'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high;
Living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.**

- 2 **Holy Spirit, ever living as the church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming in the church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits unpriced.**

- 3 **Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry;
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever bidding age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending, you we worship and extol.**

COMMUNION BLESSING

BLESSING P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.
 The holy Trinity, ☩ one God, bless you now and forever.
 C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: *Thy Holy Wings* *vss. 1 & 3* ELW #613

- 1 **Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me,
And let me rest securely through good and ill in thee.
Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place,
And let my ev'ry moment be lived within thy grace.**

- 3 **Oh, wash me in the waters of Noah's cleansing flood,
Give me a willing spirit, a heart both clean and good.
Oh, take into thy keeping thy children great and small,
And while we sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.**

RINGING OF BELL

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
 C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPANTS

PASTOR: Julie Rogness PREACHING: Intern Pastor Al Aakre
MUSIC STAFF: Tammy Hanson–Organ; Annette Thunhorst–Piano/Keyboard
TECH CREW: Jim Braaten, Steve Johnson, Bill Lewis, Dan Rogness, Holly Aldorfer, Heidi Haugen

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CALENDAR

Sun/Oct 31	9 am	WORSHIP – In-Person & Live-Streamed <i>Reformation Sunday -&- Confirmation</i>
	10 am	Sunday School
	7 pm	AA
Tue/Nov 2	6:30 pm	FLCW
Wed/Nov 3	6 pm	Worship
	6:30 pm	Confirmation
	6:30 pm	Sr. Choir Practice
	7 pm	<i>National Youth Gathering Info Mtg @ Vang</i>
Sun/Nov 7	9 am	ALL SAINT'S WORSHIP – In-Person & Live-Streamed
	10 am	Sunday School
	7 pm	AA

FLCW MESSAGE: The FLCW is looking for a Secretary. For more information, please contact Cindy Lewis or Jackie Mortensen.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoe boxes have been filled but **monetary donations are needed** to send the boxes. A **donation of \$9** per box is needed to cover shipping and handling costs. I ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation. Please drop off or send Cash or check (made out to Samaritan's Purse or First Lutheran Youth). Be sure to write OCC Shoeboxes on the memo line. Thank you! Carmen Nesseth.

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