

Pilgrim Lutheran Church

Reformation Sunday October 27, 2024

Ministering to All in the Heart of Superior

Introduction and Announcements

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sins, and whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

Beloved people of God: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW 504

Gathering ELW p.147

The Grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all! **And also with you!**

Kyrie ELW p.147 **Canticle** This is the Feast ELW p.149

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you! And also with you!

Almighty God, gracious Lord, 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.**

Children's Message

Readings

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Molly Warring

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Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark. C: Glory to you, O Lord

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

We All Are One in Mission

ELW 576

The Creed ELW p.104/105

Prayers of the People P: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.

Peace

Offering
Offertory
Goodness is Stronger than Evil

Special Music **ELW 721**

Goodness is stronger than evil, love is stronger than hate. Light is stronger than darkness, life is stronger than death. Vict'ry is ours, vict'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

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Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving at the Table (sung)

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The Lord be with you! And also with you

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heav'n and earth are full of your glory; Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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All are welcome at God's table of grace. Today we will receive communion via intinction. At the usher's direction, come forward and receive the bread, then dip your wafer into the red wine or the white grape juice. Gluten free elements are available. You may also come for a blessing – simply cross your arms over your chest when you come forward.

Communion Music

Lamb of God Let us Break Bread Together I Love to Tell the Story

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ELW 661

Blessing of the Meal Prayer after Communion

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Benediction and Dismissal Sending Song

Lead On, O King Eternal!

ELW 805

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship today! We're so glad you're here. If you are new or a visitor here today, please take a moment to fill out the info card in the pew and drop that into the offering plate as it comes by. You can also use this card to submit any prayer requests you have.

Being the Church in an Election Season brings challenges. As we read throughout the scriptures, God calls people of faith to prayer for our leaders, our neighbors, and our world. Throughout this month portions of our liturgy and prayers will reflect that reality as we join our voices in prayer for this election season. This week we pray for those running for President and Vice President.

This QR code will bring you right to our Website.

Youth Ministry Programs are in full swing this fall! preK-6th grade students are welcome to join us for Sunday School each week. You will be dismissed during the sharing of the peace to join you teachers in the back of the church.

Confirmation classes meet on Wednesday after school in the Fireside Room at 4:00 p.m.. Youth Group will meet on Sunday evenings at 5:30, starting on October 27th. Join us for food, fellowship, and fun!

If you have any questions contact Noah Holland (noah@plcsuperior.org) or Pastor Tanner.

Doves for All Saints Sunday | You are invited to lift up the names of Saints who have gone before us as part of our celebration of All Saints Sunday on November 3rd. Throughout the month of October you will find a stack of paper doves in the narthex. Please take as many as you would like and write the name of your loved ones on them before returning them to the basket provided. You may decorate them however you wish or simply write a name.

PrayGround: Here at Pilgrim, everyone is welcome and wanted in worship. We love having children in worship, and we delight in their ability to see and experience all that is happening in the worship space. We invite you to sit anywhere you are comfortable. There is a special place in the front of the sanctuary on the right side that is our designated PrayGround, where kids can worship, wiggle, play, color, learn, and grow as part of our faith community. Adults are encouraged to sit where children can see them while they are using the PrayGround, in case they need assistance.

Regarding the sound system: Can you help?

We are looking for one more person to help run the live streaming during our weekly services. The system looks complex, but is relatively easy to run. Your commitment would only be every 5-6 weeks. Please reach out to Jeff Gronski or Colleen Elonen for more information or get a demonstration on how to do it before committing! Thank you!

Coins for the Community.

For October – December we will be collecting for The Superior Area Ministerium's Good SAMaritan fund.

Also on the table by the coins we are collecting pop tops. They will be going to the Ronald McDonald house in Duluth. These go to the funding of having families stay with their kids while they are in the hospital. It means so much to be able to have your family with you when you are going through medical things. Let's fill up the jars.

Have you connected with us online? Be sure to 'Like' us on Facebook and 'Subscribe' to our YouTube channel. Just jump on those platforms and search for 'Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Superior'. You can also visit our website for updates and events: www.plcsuperior.org

Sunday Evening Prayer: Can't make Sunday mornings? A Sunday night service here at Pilgrim just for you. It's a great way to start your week with a calming and peaceful service to quiet your mind and talk to God. Sunday's at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Apple Pie Canning: Remember to sign up in the Narthex- sign up is required for this class. Class is November 9th starting at 9 a.m. Any questions talk to Pastor Tanner

A reminder: If you or someone you know is in the hospital and you'd like Pastor Tanner to visit or call, please let the church office know. Federal law prohibits hospitals from calling the church and letting us know that you are ill, even if you've indicated who your church is on your forms. Thank you!

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 $Rev.\ Tanner\ Howard,\ Pastor\ (email-tanner@plcsuperior.org)$

Pianist: Lorelei Holland Violinist: Eliza Wilson Choir Director: Curt Hanson

High School Youth Leader: Noah Holland SAM – Jenny Dudderar

Helpers for Today, October 27

Ushers – <u>Team 3</u>: Jeffrey Gronski, Capt; Roger Breitzmann and Gary Blaisdell

Sound system – Tyler Worship Asst. – Molly Warring

Altar Guild –Laura & Greg Hospitality – Ken & Julia Kochsiek

Greeter - Sandy Breitzmann

This week at a glance:

Tuesday –	2:45-9:00 p.m. Eliza's classes
•	5:30 – 7:30 Line Dancing with Jean
	5:30 Choir Practice
	6:30 Praise practice

Wednesday –	1:30- 7:00 p.m. Eliza's classes
•	3:00 – 5:30 Zach's piano lessons
	4:00 Confirmation Class
	4:45 – 6:30 Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Theology on Tap (at Tap on Tower, 1106 Tower Ave.)

Thursday – 10:00 Bible Study

8:00 - 6:00 p.m. Eliza's classes

Friday - 9:30-8:30 p.m. Eliza's classes

Next Sunday — 9:30 Worship - All Saints Sunday

10:15 Sunday School10:45 Bell Practice4:00 NA meeting5:30 Youth Group

5:30 Campus Ministry meal and Ministry

6:30 Evening Worship

Helpers for next week, November 3

Ushers – <u>Team 4</u>: Tyler Austreng, Capt.; Greg Peterson, Rich Garay, Tim & Julie McLaren Sound system – Fred Worship Asst. –Noah Holland Altar Guild – Rachel & Colleen Hospitality – Laura Swanson Greeter – <u>Anyone??</u>



Campus Ministry

We are responsible for providing the meal on November 24th.



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The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD.

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith.

He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

*Please Read: Please stand for the Gospel as you are able

October 27, 2024 Pastor Tanner

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you."

So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.