



REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 31, 2021

Peace Lutheran Church

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We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus. We are honored with your presence. If you do not have a church home, you are invited to join us regularly. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jeremy Lucke or one of the Ushers as you leave today and sign the guest book in the entryway. We continue to observe the guidelines for health safety. If you have any questions, please see an usher. Everyone is welcome.

The ringing of the bell and the lighting of the Christ candle mark the beginning of our service and a time for quiet meditation, prayer and inward reflection as we begin our worship.

Children are welcome at our worship services. If you prefer, Peace Lutheran has a playroom equipped for children three years old and younger. The room is unstaffed and can be accessed in the fellowship hall where the service is also being live streamed for your convenience and enjoyment.

Holy Communion is celebrated every first and third Sunday and will follow the order of service in the bulletin. If you are a baptized Christian and share our faith in Jesus as Savior and have been instructed in the meaning and use of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to partake. We have pre-wrapped communion wine or juice and wafers. We also have gluten-free wafers available. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, ask the server. May the body and blood of Jesus, present in the bread and wine, be a blessing to you.

There are times during the service when you will be asked to stand if you are able. Please feel free to remain seated if standing is difficult.

Serving You

Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Dan Johnson
Supt. Of Sunday School	Brandy Stokes & Karyn Stanley
Admin Assistant	Daniel Dusek
Parish Nurse	Kathy Durling
Webmaster	Jim Holroyd
Audio-Visual	Johnathon Holroyd, George Abele, Nicholas Abele, Merv Munster, Haley Bentsen, Caleb Santora, Joyce Long, Aaron Bentsen, Oscar Gutbrod, Reese Grube, Rick Durling, Ingrid Hellesto, Jim Holroyd

Today, October 31, 2021

Musician	Bob Glathar
Ushers	George & Janice Abele
Flowers	

[PRELUDE MUSIC](#)

AS WE GATHER... While 2017 was the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, our celebrations continue into the 504th year since Martin Luther posted the Ninety-five Theses on the practice of indulgences. The Reformation is a celebration of freedom in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This can particularly be found in today's Epistle from Romans 3. In a marvelous, great exchange, Christ takes our unrighteousness and gives us His righteousness. Even though we all sin and fall short of the glory of God, we are justified by God's grace, as a gift. We celebrate God's love and activity on our behalf to save us.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"Lift High the Cross" LSB 837

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956. Music: Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947 Text (English) and music copyright 1974 Hope Publishing Co.

*Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.*

Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in con-qu'ring ranks combine.

Refrain

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.

Refrain

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.

Refrain

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Refrain

OPENING BLESSING

Pastor: *In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen!

Pastor: *God is our refuge and strength,*

People: A very present help in trouble.

Pastor: Come, behold the works of the Lord.

People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth.

Pastor: He will be exalted among the nations.

People: He will be exalted in the earth.

Pastor: The Lord of hosts is with us;

People: The God of Jacob is our fortress.

BEING HONEST ABOUT OURSELVES...

Pastor: God indeed is our refuge and strength, our help and our fortress. Yet we often choose to flee from the refuge of the Lord. We abandon the strength and safety of our God, trusting in our own strength and power. The apostle Paul writes that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. And Jesus says that everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. As we enter the house of the Lord and call upon Him for His good and gracious gifts, let us consider our enslavement to sin and our continued shortcomings as God's people.

(A moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior)

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have sinned as individuals and as a community. We have ignored neighbors in need. We have caused divisions among Your people. We have sought refuge in the things of this world and not in You. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us back to You, our refuge and strength.

Pastor: While we have indeed fallen short of the glory of God, we are all also justified by God's grace as a gift. Though we have been slaves to sin, God has set us free in the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus. As a called and ordained servant of the risen Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

PRAISE SONG

“The Church’s One Foundation”

LBW 369 v. 1-4

Text: Samuel J. Sone, 1839-1900, Tune: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876© 2005 WORSHIPHYMNS Publishing (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.)

The church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is his new creation
By water and the word
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy bride
With his own blood he bought her
And for her life he died

Elect from every nation
Yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation
One Lord one faith one birth
One holy name she blesses
Partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued

Though with a scornful wonder
This world sees her oppressed
By schisms rent asunder
By heresies distressed
Yet saints their watch are keeping
Their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song

Through toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: *The Lord be with you*

People: And also with you.

Pastor: *Let us pray. Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to free us from our enslavement to sin. Help us to abide in Your Word and bring others by Your Holy Spirit in to the Body of Christ, so that every nation, tribe, language, and people will know the saving power of Christ and His resurrection. Through Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

People: Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

EPISTLE:

[Romans 3:19-28](#)

¹⁹ 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.

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

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—

²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction:

²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

²⁵ 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.

²⁶ 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.

²⁷ 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.

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

Pastor: *This is the Word of the Lord*

People: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL:

John 8:31-36

31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, **32** and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

33 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?’”

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

Pastor: *This is the Gospel of the Lord*

People: Praise to You O Christ

SERMON HYMN

“In Christ Alone”

Keith Getty; Stuart Townend 2001 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me

From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

SERMON

“Proclaiming His Freedom”

[Part 1](#)

[Part 2](#)

[Part 3](#)

[AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH:](#)

Luther’s Explanation of the Second Article of the Apostles Creed

People: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father in eternity, and also a true human being, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned human being. He has purchased and freed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and his innocent suffering and death. He has done all this in order that I may belong to him, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.

[THE PRAYER OF GOD’S PEOPLE](#)

Pastor: *Let us pray for the whole people of God, and for all people according to their needs. Lord, You are our refuge and our strength. Defend Your Church from the attacks and accusations of the devil. Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and His Word. Lord, in Your mercy, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and His Word. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: *Lord, since the fall into sin, all creations groans for restoration. Earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, floods, and other disasters cause great fear. But You are the God of all creation. Calm our hearts and be in our midst when the earth gives way. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: *Lord, in this fallen world, nations rage and kingdoms totter. War, violence, disease and division are present on the earth. But You are the Lord of hosts, and You are with us. Defend us from conflict and be our King of peace. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *Lord, send healing to all who are sick, injured, and recovering, (especially...). If it be Your will, restore their health with the overflowing abundance that comes only from Your hand. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *Lord, our dwelling place in all generations, look with favor upon the homes of our land. Embrace husbands and wives, parents and children, in the arms of Your love, and grant that each fulfill their duties You have given. We especially give You thanks for the fatherly love and grace that You have given Ken and Betty Iverson throughout their 50 years in marriage. Bless all our homes that they may ever be a shelter for the defenseless, a fortress for the tempted, a resting place for the weary and a foretaste of our eternal home with You. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer

Pastor: *Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.*

People: 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**

CLOSING BLESSING

Pastor: *Jesus said, "If you abide in My word,*

People: you are truly My disciples,

Pastor: *and you will know the truth,*

People: and the truth will set you free.

Pastor: *So if the Son sets you free,*

People: you will be free indeed."

Pastor: *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.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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A mighty fortress is our God,
A sword and shield victorious;
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
And wins salvation glorious.

The old satanic foe
Has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
He arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
Whom God himself elected.

You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

Though hordes of devils fill the land
All threat'ning to devour us,
We tremble not, unmoved we stand;
They cannot over pow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage;

In battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

God's Word forever shall abide,
No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God himself fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit.

Were they to take our house,
Goods, honor, child, or spouse,
Though life be wrenched away,
They cannot win the day.
The Kingdom's ours forever!

DISMISSAL

Pastor: *Go in Peace! Serve the Lord!*

People: Thanks be to God!

POST-SERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS' DAY. Next Sunday, November 7th, is All Saints' Sunday at Peace. This is a day that we honor those who have died in the faith this last year and from years before. Contact Dan by Wednesday November 3rd if you would like to add a name to our list. We will honor the saints on November 7 with the ringing of the bell and a moment of silence.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH. Our Savior Lutheran Church in Waldport will be celebrating their 25th anniversary this afternoon at 3:00pm. You are cordially invited to attend.

HOPE FOR HEALING SEMINAR. First Baptist of Corvallis (9th & Monroe) is hosting a mental health seminar sponsored by Compassion Ministries on Saturday, November 6th from 9-3pm. COVID has brought havoc to all, so CM is conducting a segment on depression & suicide. Free lunch is provided. To receive your packet, pre-registration is between 8:30-9:00 am. Please pre-register with the forms available in the narthex to reserve a lunch and seminar packet.

FALL BAZAAR. Next Saturday, November 6, is the much-anticipated return of the Fall Bazaar at Peace. A couple of changes for this year: 1) There will not be a table with free coffee and cookies (Sorry, but you can't wear a mask and eat and drink) and 2) There will be two cookie sale tables and we will need extra help running this area. Gentlemen, if you are able to stay after church today, we need some help getting everything down from the attic. Bazaar and Granny's Attic items can be delivered to the church Thursday, October 28th through Tuesday, November 2nd. Please label your items, bazaar or Granny's Attic. Bazaar items can be left in the middle classroom next to the fellowship room. Granny's attic items can be placed in the classroom behind the mailboxes. If you need help getting items to the church, give Jani Burton a call.

If any of the younger congregation members would like to help, show up and we'll put you to work.

Thank you to those who sponsored a basket. They are completed. Beautiful and ready to go.

Come, shop, and have fun!

If you have any questions, please contact Jani Burton.

MEN'S BREAKFAST. Mark your Calendar for November 13th. Time for us to get back into our routine having our men's "First Saturday Breakfast". This will be held in the Fellowship Hall as a hosted breakfast of most likely "breakfast burritos" and coffee. Pastor Lucke has prepared a topic for discussion: "America Is Having a Moral Convulsions".

Plan to attend, coffee on at 8:00 and breakfast served at 8:30 – Topic at 9 -10. Please let Oscar Gutbrod know if you plan to attend so we order enough food. 541-231-3954