

## TRINITY EV LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Worship Service Times

Saturday - 5:30pm  
Sunday - 8:15 & 10:45am  
Monday - 6:30pm

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**Rev. Aaron L. Christie**  
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**Mr. Mark D. Davidson**  
Minister of Music

*God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.*

*Psalm 46:1*



## A Commemoration of THE LUTHERAN REFORMATION OF THE CHURCH

**Sunday, November 2, 2014 + 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.**

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**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Waukesha, WI**

# THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION

November 2, 2014

## “LORD, KEEP US FAITHFUL TO THE WORD”

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### WELCOME TO TRINITY

497 years ago an obscure monk and Doctor of Theology named Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. These 95 sentences were originally written for an academic debate. In reality, they changed world history. What was at issue? Can the forgiveness of sins really be purchased via the pope’s indulgences? This is really a fundamental question for every man, woman, and child! Do we “get right” with God by what we do or by what God has done? People naturally like the former. Jesus died and rose again to accomplish the latter!

The Reformation is still critical today. Each generation must continue to hang onto the three great truths of the Reformation:

- *We are saved by grace alone, not because of our own worthiness.*
- *We are saved by faith alone, not by what we do.*
- *All this is revealed in Scripture alone, not through human traditions, authorities or customs.*

The Festival of the Lutheran Reformation of the Church emphasizes the true Church's unfailing reliance on the Word of God and the unflinching testimony to it in the face of persecution. Jesus promised to pour out his Spirit on the Church that we might be God's mouthpiece even before kings. Today the Church prays that the Lord give us strength to be faithful and the peace of knowing our lives are safe in his hands.

It is a privilege to worship with you this festival day. Please come again very soon!

### HYMN ENLARGEMENT INSERTS

Hymn enlargement inserts with the texts to the chosen hymns for this weekend’s worship, printed in larger print on cream-colored paper, are available from the ushers upon request.

### OUR FACILITIES

Our restrooms are located to the left as you leave the sanctuary. They are located near the coat room. The members of Trinity believe that families should be encouraged to worship together. If your young child needs to be quieted, we have an audio-equipped children’s room just outside of the church doors to your right. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

### OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

We believe that gathering together at God’s altar to receive Holy Communion is a testimony of the confession and commitment we share as members of the Lutheran Church. We ask guests who are not members of our Lutheran denomination to speak with one of the pastors before joining us at the altar so that all may have a clear understanding of our faith and practice. Thank you.

## CLOSING HYMN

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord  
Christian Worship 176:3

3 Come, ho - ly Fire, Com-fort true; Grant us the will your  
work to do And in your ser - vice to a - bide;  
Let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by your pow'r pre -  
pare each heart, And to our weak - ness strength im - part  
That brave - ly here we may con - tend, Through life and  
death to you, our Lord, as - cend. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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## SERVING AT WORSHIP

**Presiding Minister**  
**Preacher**  
**Principal Organist**

Rev. Lawrence R. Gates  
Rev. Aaron L. Christie  
Mark D. Davidson

**Choir**

**Trinity Mixed Choir**  
Jonathan A. Laabs, director

**Instrumentalists**

**Trinity Chamber Brass**  
Rod Clouser, Brian Genrich, trumpet  
Tracy Clouser, trombone  
Jonathan Neujahr, tuba

Amy Donovan, Abby Petersen, violin  
Lori Guse, viola  
Tim Donovan, cello  
Charles Ledvina, bass

**ANTHEM**

**Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Thy Word**  
*Dietrich Buxtehude*

Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy Word Curb those who fain by craft and sword  
Would wrest the Kingdom from Thy Son And set at naught all He hath done.

Lord Jesus Christ, Thy pow'r make known, For Thou art Lord of lords alone;  
Defend Thy Christendom that we May evermore sing praise to Thee.

O Comforter of priceless worth, Send peace and unity on earth.  
Support us in our final strife, And lead us out of death to life.

Grant peace, we pray, in mercy, Lord Peace in our time, oh, send us!  
For there is none on earth but Thee, None other to defend us.  
Thou only, Lord, canst fight for us.

Give to our people, to all that be in power, Peace and good government,  
That by their protection We may lead a quiet and peaceful life always  
In all godliness and in all honesty. Amen.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**If God Had Not Been on Our Side**  
Christian Worship 202

**Thy Strong Word**  
Christian Worship 280

*Stand*

**THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that  
through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this  
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

**Ave Verum Corpus**  
*Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

**Reformation Suite**  
*S. Drummond Wolff*

**Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord**  
*Dietrich Buxtehude*

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**ORDER OF SERVICE**

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**OPENING HYMN**

**Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord**  
Christian Worship 176:1-2

**HOLY BAPTISM (10:45)**

**Jaxon Ryan Chudada**  
Christian Worship, p.12

*After the Baptism, the order of service continues with the Song of Praise on pages 4-5.*

*Stand*

**INVOCATION**

M: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.



**CONFESSION OF SINS**

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father,  
asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in  
my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For  
this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and  
trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**LORD, HAVE MERCY (8:15)**

*Kyrie*

from "Deutsche Messe, 1826"

Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

The choir sings the Kyrie. The congregation then joins to sing it.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

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**ABSOLUTION**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of 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.

C: Amen.

**PRAYER AND PRAISE**

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**GLORY BE TO GOD**

*Gloria in Excelsis*

**Festival Gloria:  
All Glory Be to God on High**

*John A. Behnke*

**Brass, Organ, Choir Introduction**

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**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

**O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD**

*Agnus Dei*

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us your peace. A - men.

*Be seated*



THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**  
*Sanctus*

from *"Deutsche Messe, 1826"*  
Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

*Sung by the choir.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might.  
Heaven 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.



All 1 All glo - ry be to God on high And  
All 2 We praise and laud and wor - ship You; We  
Choir 3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Be -  
All 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And



thanks for all His fa - vor; No  
give you thanks for - ev - er, O  
got - ten of the Fa - ther, Your  
source of con - so - la - tion, Pro -



harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A  
Fa - ther, for Your rule is true And  
sav - ing death has made us one with  
tect us from the dev - il's might Through



child of God for - ev - er. God  
just and chang - es nev - er. With  
God and with each oth - er. O  
Je - sus, our sal - va - tion, Who



shows His good and gra - cious will And  
bound - less pow'r, Your might - y reign Ful -  
Lamb of God, to You on high In  
by His death up - on a tree Has



grants His peace, the world to fill - All  
fills what - ev - er You or - dain. Lord,  
our dis - tress we sin - ners cry, Have  
res - cued us from mis - er - y: To



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

## SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, through the preaching of your servants, the blessed Reformers, you caused the light of the gospel to shine forth. Grant that we may faithfully defend it against all enemies and joyfully proclaim it to the salvation of people everywhere to the glory of your holy name; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*Be seated*

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

**Isaiah 55:10-12**  
*God's Word has power*

<sup>10</sup>As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, <sup>11</sup>so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. <sup>12</sup>You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

### PSALM OF THE DAY

**Psalm 46**  
*J. William Greene*

After the refrain is introduced, the congregation joins to sing it and again where indicated.



## A LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

*written by Prof. James P. Tiefel,  
Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary*

M: With grateful hearts, O Lord

C: **We remember before you this day...**

M: The reformers and confessors who faced the terror of church and empire but stood firm in your truth because they were moved by grace, empowered by faith, and guided by Scripture.

C: **Inspire us as we remember them, O Lord.**

M: With grateful hearts, O Lord

C: **We remember before you this day...**

M: Your faithful followers of every age, among them our own mothers and fathers, pastors and teachers, called, gathered, enlightened and sanctified by the Holy Spirit to be your Church and by whose faithful witness the gospel of your grace has reached at last to us.

C: **Inspire us as we remember them, O Lord.**

M: With grateful hearts, O Lord

C: **We remember before you this day...**

M: The early and present leaders of our synod, the teachers who trained our grandfathers and those who now teach us, the missionaries who once went to lands uncharted and unmapped, and those who now walk among teeming millions in over-crowded cities.

C: **Inspire us as we remember them, O Lord.**

M: With grateful hearts, O Lord

C: **We remember before you this day...**

M: Our own loved ones whose memories still burn within our hearts, whom you have called in your good time from their labors in life to that life which knows no end.

C: **Inspire us as we remember them, O Lord,**

M: To carry on their work in this our day, trusting your Son, holding to your Word, confessing your truth, loving the lost, reaching out with your love, until you call us, too, by your great grace in Jesus Christ, to join them where memories are swallowed up by everlasting joy.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

M: Remember us in your mercy, O Lord, as we join to pray:

## LORD'S PRAYER

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

When you became man to set us free,  
You humbled yourself to be born of a virgin.  
You overcame the sting of death  
And opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that you will come to be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
Bought with the price of your own blood,  
And bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

*Be seated*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERING

Please take a moment during the collection of the offering to sign the Friendship Register in each of the pews. We encourage you to take a moment after the service to get to know those seated around you!

### MUSICAL OFFERING

#### **Komm, Heiliger Geist (HoWV X.1)**

*Gottfried August Homilius (1714-1785)*

*Gottfried August Homilius (2 February 1714 – 2 June 1785) was a German composer, cantor and organist. He is considered one of the most important church composers of the generation following Johann Sebastian Bach.*

*You are invited to meditate on the text to this chorale prelude, found in Christian Worship 176.*

*Stand*

### OFFERING PRAYER

**C:** To you my humble praise I bring  
For mercies day by day.  
Lord, teach my heart your love to sing;  
Lord, teach me how to pray.  
All that I have and e'er can do  
I'll use to serve and honor you. Amen.

Refrain based on EIN FESTE BURG

The Lord of hosts is with us; the  
God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

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### The choir chants the psalm verses.

God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,  
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;  
though its waters rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

#### Refrain

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.  
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown;  
God shall help her at the break of day.

#### Refrain

The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken;  
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.  
Come now and look upon the works of the Lord,  
what awesome things he has done on earth.

#### Refrain

It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.  
"Be still, then, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

#### Refrain

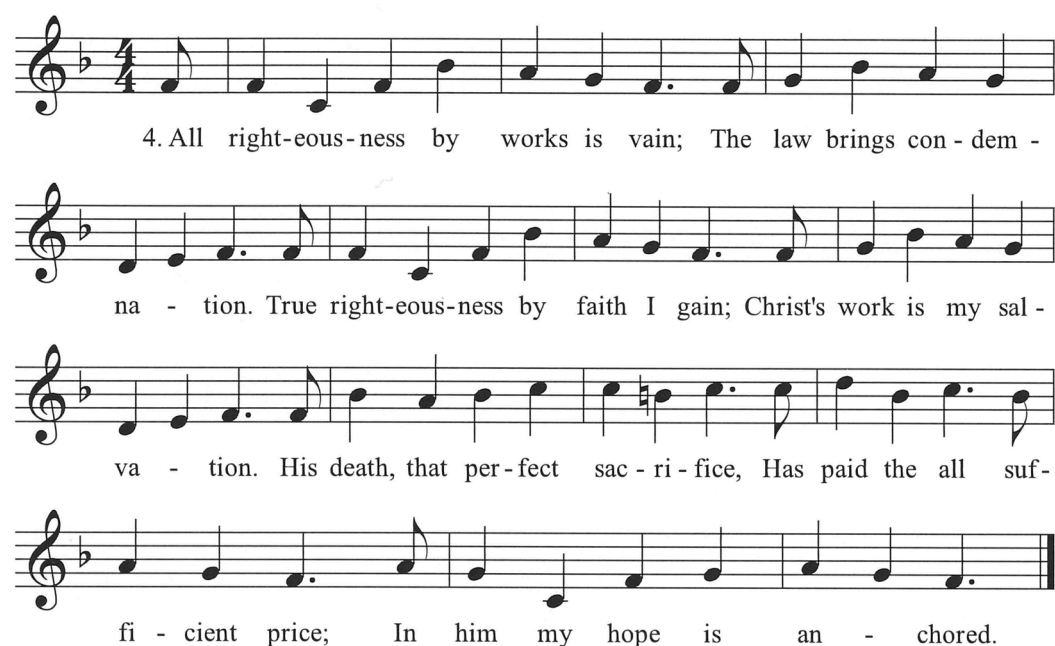
## SECOND LESSON

**Galatians 5:1-6**  
*Stand firm in your gospel freedom*

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. <sup>2</sup>Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. <sup>3</sup>Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. <sup>4</sup>You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. <sup>5</sup>But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope. <sup>6</sup>For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

## RESPONSE

**If Your Beloved Son, O God**  
Christian Worship 393:4



4. All right-eous-ness by works is vain; The law brings con - dem -  
na - tion. True right-eous-ness by faith I gain; Christ's work is my sal -  
va - tion. His death, that per-fect sac - ri - fice, Has paid the all suf -  
fi - cient price; In him my hope is an - chored.

*Stand for the Holy Gospel*

## HOLY GOSPEL

**John 8:31-36**  
*Freedom is found in God's Word*

<sup>31</sup>To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup>Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

M: The Gospel of the Lord!  
C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

*Be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**  
Christian Worship 200  
*Setting by B. Wayne Bisbee*

*Meditate silently on Luther's words to stanza 3 as they are interpreted in a solo organ setting.*

*During the interlude after stanza 3, please stand to sing stanza 4.*

## SERMON

**John 8:31-36**  
Rev. Aaron L. Christie

**"GOD'S SON HAS MADE US FREE"**  
Freedom from slavery  
Freedom for sonship

*Stand*

**WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD**  
*Te Deum Laudamus*

*Luther valued the ancient Te Deum Laudamus and suggested it might be considered among the ecumenical creeds of the Christian Church. Speak the words of the canticle as a confession of faith.*

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;  
All creation worships you, Father everlasting.  
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of heavenly hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you:  
Father of majesty unbounded, your glorious, true, and only Son,  
And the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
You, Christ, are the King of glory,  
The eternal Son of the Father.