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## MISSION STATEMENT:

*In response to God's love for us, we SERVE God,  
SUPPORT Christian fellowship,  
And SPREAD the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

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## REFORMATION DAY

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

Joint Worship with University Hills Lutheran Church

**AS WE GATHER** – *Reformation Sunday is not just a special day to celebrate our history by remembering the story of Martin Luther; it is a perfect opportunity to rejoice in the freedom we have been given from sin and death through Jesus Christ alone. By gathering to receive His Word and to share in His Supper, we come to know yet again the eternal Gospel that is being proclaimed to all who dwell on earth. This good news not only sets us free from our captivity to sin and death, but it also enables us to live a life of freedom in Christ and boldly share with others how they, too, may be set free. The same Savior who speaks His Word to us says to all who will listen: "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (John 8:36).*

## PRESERVICE MUSIC / PIANO & ORGAN DUET

*"Reformation Chorale"*

### WELCOME

[♫]Means please stand; [♫]Means please be seated]

### ♫ OPENING HYMN

### *Glory Be to God the Father*

LSB 506



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to  
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each  
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the  
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:  
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,  
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;  
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,  
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,

(continued)



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!  
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!  
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!  
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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## INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

John 8:31-32

**P** *In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** *Jesus said, "If you abide in My word,*

**C** **you are truly My disciples,**

**P** *and you will know the truth,*

**C** **and the truth will set you free."**

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

John 8:36

**P** *With humble hearts, let us approach our Father's throne of grace.*

[Silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior]

**P** *Together, we pray:*

**C** **Gracious Father, because our entire lives are to be ones of repentance, we bow before You and confess our sins. We have turned away from the truth of Your Word, choosing to go our own way. By what we have thought, by what we have done, and by what we have failed to do, we have broken Your commands and are deserving of Your wrath and punishment. By the mercy of Christ, Your Son, set us free from our captivity. Enable us by Your Holy Spirit to live under You in Your kingdom and to serve You in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Amen.**

**P** *Just as Christ is risen from the dead, He lives and reigns to all eternity! It is most certainly true that He died and rose again for you to make you right with God, to adopt you as children of the heavenly Father, and to set you free from sin and death. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** *"So if the Son sets you free,*

**C** **you will be free indeed!"**

## INTROIT

*Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46*

**P** *I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]*

**C** **and shall not be put to shame.**

**P** *I will bless the LORD at all times;*

**C** **his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

**P** *My soul makes its boast in the LORD;*

**C** **let the humble hear and be glad.**

**P** *Come, O children, listen to me;*

**C** **I will teach you the fear of the LORD.**

**P** *The LORD redeems the life of his servants;*

**C** **none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** *I will speak of your testimonies before Kings, [O Lord,]*

**C** and shall not be put to shame.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566



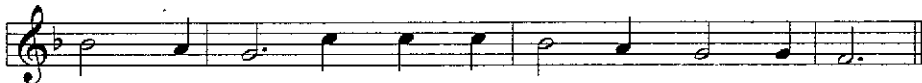
1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5. By grace to timid hearts that tremble,  
In tribulation's furnace tried,  
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,  
The Father's heart is open wide.  
Where could I help and strength secure  
If grace were not my anchor sure?
6. By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;  
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
For though I know my heart's condition,  
I also know my Savior's voice.  
My heart is glad, all grief has flown  
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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## SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** *The Lord be with you.*

**C** And also with you.

**P** *Let us pray.*

All: 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 through the abiding Word of Your Son, set us free from our sin that we may know 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. Amen.

## FIRST READING

*Revelation 14:6-7*

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**L** *This is the Word of the Lord.*      **G** **Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN OF RESPONSE      *God's Word Is Our Great Heritage*

LSB 582

God's Word is our great her - i - tage And shall be ours for-  
 ev - er; To spread its light from age to age Shall be our  
 chief en - deav - or. Through life it guides our way, In death it  
 is our stay. Lord, grant, while worlds en - dure, We keep its  
 teach - ings pure Through - out all gen - er - a - tions.

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## EPISTLE

*Romans 3:19-28*

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**L** *This is the Word of the Lord.*      **G** **Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA VERSE

*Luke 12:32*

All: Alleluia. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Alleluia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 8:31-36*

**P** *The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.*      **G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**  
 (lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

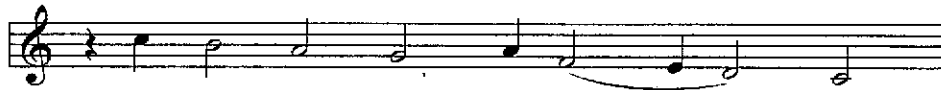
**P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*      **G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## PHYMN OF THE DAY      *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

LSB 656

[v.3: Choir only]

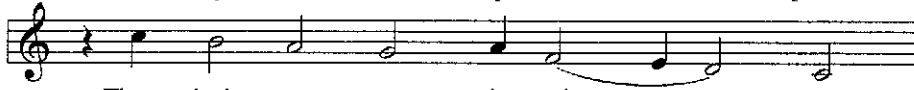
1 A    might - y    for - tress is    our    God,  
 2 With    might    of    ours    can naught    be    done,  
 3 Though dev - ils    all    the world    should    fill,  
 4 The    Word    they    still    shall let    re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
 Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;  
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,  
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
 But for us fights the val - iant One,  
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
 He's by our side up - on the plain



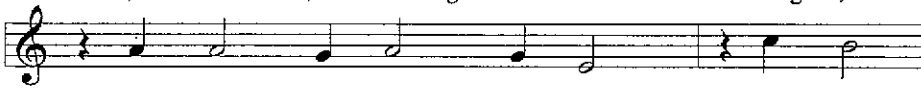
That hath us now o'er - tak - en.  
 Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.  
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.  
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means  
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus  
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce  
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,  
 as he will, He can harm us none.  
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth  
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds  
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -  
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -



is not his e - qual.  
 the field for - ev - er.  
 tic word can fell him.  
 dom ours re - main eth.

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**SERMON**

**"I WILL BOAST IN CHRIST"**

**Romans 3:19-28**

*Pastor David Vanderhyde; University Hills Lutheran Church*

## APOSTLE'S CREED

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## POFFERING

*"Amazing Grace"*

by Kevin Sadowski

## OFFERTORY

*Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

LSB 565



1 Thy works, not mine, O Christ, Speak glad-ness to this heart;  
2 Thy wounds, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my bruised soul;  
3 Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the crushing load;  
4 Thy death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ransom due;  
5 Thy right-eous-ness, O Christ, A-lone can cover me;



They tell me all is done, They bid my fear depart.  
Thy stripes, not mine, contain The balm that makes me whole.  
Of sins that none could bear But the in-car-nate God.  
Ten thousand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.  
No right-eous-ness a-vails Save that which is of Thee.

*Refrain*



To whom save Thee, Who canst a-lone For sin a-tone, Lord, shall I flee?

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord Jesus, You have freed us from the captivity to sin and death, from the delusion of trying to earn and maintain our own righteousness, and from the chains of condemnation and fear. That is why we rejoice in Your Word: If the Son sets you free,*

**C** **you will be free indeed!**

**P** *Lord Jesus, only Your mercy and grace enable us to know, find, and live in the freedom of Your eternal Gospel. Send Your Spirit upon Your Church that we continue in the truths of the Reformation, and that, to all the peoples of the world, we proclaim this truth: If the Son sets you free,*

**C** **you will be free indeed!**

**P** *Lord Jesus, free us from self-centeredness and pride. Turn our focus toward You first in faith and then toward others in love. Bless all who serve You and others in their homes, in the church, in the workplace, and in our community to rejoice in knowing that if the Son sets you free,*

**C** **you will be free indeed!**

- P** *Lord Jesus, You proclaim freedom for the captives and recovery for those with infirmities. Grant Your healing, in both soul and body, to those we name before You, [especially . . .]. Rejoicing in Your healing touch, grant that all who receive Your Good News boldly say: If the Son sets you free,*
- C** **you will be free indeed!**
- P** *Lord Jesus, for these and all other concerns we have, please hear and answer our prayers according to Your gracious will*
- C** **that we live each day in the freedom we have come to know. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

- P** *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*
- 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.**

## BENEDICTION

- P** *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you His peace.*
- C** **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

### Amazing Grace

LSB 744



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
 2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
 Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
 have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me  
 mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall  
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
 safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.  
 then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.  
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## POSTLUDE

### "A Mighty Fortress"

by Johann Pachelbel

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**WE WISH TO THANK** the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

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Altar Guild ..... Elsie Leiker, Sharon Milliken  
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Elder on Duty ..... Tony Williams  
Greeter..... Inge Fabian  
Lay Reader..... Tim Tomack  
Organist / Music Director..... Beth Buss  
Special Music: Christ Choristers; Beth Buss, Director  
Duet: Kae Kemerling, Pianist  
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