

# A MIGHTY FORTRESS



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## PRESERVICE MUSIC

## PASTOR'S WELCOME

## OPENING HYMN

*"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"*

LSB 657 Vs. 1-4

## THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of God the Father,

**C: Our Father in heaven who loves me without any merit or worthiness in me.**

P: In the name of God the ☩ Son,

**C: The Son of God who has redeemed me with His holy, precious blood and made me to be His own, a member of His kingdom.**

P: In the name of God the Holy Spirit,

**C: The Spirit of God who has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, and keeps me in the true faith. Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

from Luther's Small Catechism

P: Do you believe that you are a sinner?

**C: Yes, I believe it; I am a sinner.**

P: How do you know this?

**C: From the Ten Commandments; these I have not kept.**

P: Are you sorry for your sins?

**C: Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.**

P: What have you deserved of God by your sins?

**C: His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.**

P: Do you also hope to be saved?

**C: Yes, such is my hope.**

P: In whom, then, do you trust?

**C: In my dear Lord Jesus Christ.**

P: What, then, has Christ done for you that you trust in Him?

**C: He died for me and shed His blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of my sins.**

P: Why ought we remember and proclaim His death?

**C: That we may learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for our sins but Christ, true God and man; and that we may learn to look with terror at our sins, and to regard them as great indeed, and to find joy and comfort in Him alone, and thus be saved through such faith.**

P: What was it that moved our Lord to die and make satisfaction for your sins?

**C: His great love to His Father and to me and other sinners.**

P: In the Gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith." [Romans 1:17]

**C: Our churches, with common consent, do teach that men cannot be justified before God by their own strength, merits, or works, but are freely justified for Christ's sake.**

P: [They are justified] through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor, and that their sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who by His death, has made satisfaction for our sins.

**C: That we may obtain this faith, the ministry of teaching the Gospel and administering the Sacraments was instituted.** [Augsburg Conf, Article IV]

P: As you believe, so let it be. In the stead and by the command of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*"This is the Feast"*

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Luther's Morning Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**All: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray You to protect me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

## **BLESSING OF THE QUILTS AND SCHOOL KITS**

### **READINGS**

**The First Lesson**

**Psalm 46**

Pew Bible, page 885

**Anthem**

"Lord, I want to Be a Christian"

Children's Choir

**The Second Lesson**

**Romans 3:19-28**

Pew Bible, page 1750

**Anthem**

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

Chancel Choir

**The Gospel Lesson**

**John 8:31-36**

Pew Bible, page 1663

P: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **MESSAGE HYMN**

*"Built on the Rock"*

LSB 645 Vs. 1-4

## **MESSAGE**

Pastor Paul Birner

## **THE CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Selections from Luther's Small Catechism

P: Let us confess our Christian faith.

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

P: He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still preserves them.

**C: He defends me against all danger, and guards and protects me from all evil;**

P: All this He does purely out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me;

**C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.**

P: He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;

**C: Not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death;**

P: So that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him.

**C: I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

P: The Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

**C: In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

P: In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

**C: He will at the last Day raise up me and all the dead, and give unto me and all believers in Christ eternal life.**

P: This is most certainly true.

**C: Amen.**

## OFFERING

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*"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"*

LSB page 955

## PRAYERS AND SPECIAL PETITIONS

**Baptismal Anniversaries:** Donna Wenndt – Oct. 29

## LORD'S PRAYER

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### AGNUS DEI

*"Lamb of God"*

LSB page 163

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*"The Whisper"*

Chancel Choir

*"The Church's One Foundation"*

LSB 644 Vs. 1-5

*"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

LSB 702 Vs. 1-4

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

*"Thank the Lord"*

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## POST COMMUNION COLLECT

## BLESSING

### CLOSING HYMN

*"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"*

LSB 909 Vs. 1&4

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