



Lutheran Church & Christian School

✧ THE FIVE SOLAS ✧

by Scripture Alone
SOLA SCRIPTURA

by Faith Alone
SOLA FIDE

by Grace Alone
SOLA GRATIA

through Christ Alone
SOLUS CHRISTUS

Glory to God Alone
SOLI DEO GLORIA

Reformation Sunday
October 29, 2023

Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!

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Mission Statement

[Who We Are]

Leading with the Gospel, we at Trinity Lutheran Church and School strive to:

**HUMBLY AND KNOWINGLY FOLLOW JESUS,
SEEKING JOY THROUGH HIM IN WORSHIP,
TEACHING, AND PRAYER.**



Vision Statement

[Who We Endeavor to Be]

Leading with the Gospel, we at Trinity Lutheran Church and School endeavor to:

**LIVE [up] BY FAITH, BE KNOWN [out] BY
CHRIST'S LOVE, and REJOICE [in] HIS
FORGIVENESS.**

"Redeemed and restored, we are rejoicing in Jesus!"

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)

PRELUDE

Guest Trumpeter, Mr. Michael Vlachos

THE BELLS CALL GOD’S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

✠ SERVICE OF PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Based on Psalm 46:1, 11*

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength,
Congregation: a very present help in trouble.

Pastor: The Lord of hosts is with us;
Congregation: the God of Jacob is our fortress.

CONFESSION AND GOD'S WORD OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, and to receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Congregation: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Congregation: **Amen.**

RESPONSE OF PRAISE *1 Chronicles 29*

Pastor: Praise be to You, O Lord, O God our Father; from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

Congregation: **Yours, O Lord, is the power, glory and majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**

Pastor: We are Yours, as is the kingdom; You are exalted above all things.

Congregation: **In Your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. O give thanks unto the Lord!**

OPENING HYMN "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

LSB 656

For this, and all subsequent hymns, please see PowerPoint slides or hymnal.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Almighty God, You have gifted us with faith in Your eternal promises, not the least of which is the forgiveness for our sins. Strengthen us always in the sure and certain hope of both temporal and eternal life with You. Help us to hold fast to all of Your promises, as You lead us in faith to our eternal home; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND BLESSING

NEW TESTAMENT READING *Revelation 14:6-7 (The eternal Gospel proclaimed.)*

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷ And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come, and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 3:19-28 (The righteousness of God through faith.)*

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.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHORAL OFFERING “God’s Sufficient Word”
(*Words & Music by Chris Anderson & Peter Anglea*)

HOLY GOSPEL John 8:31–36 (*The truth will set you free.*)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

Congregation: Glory to You, O Lord.

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.

Congregation: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN “In Christ Alone”, v. 1-3 (*Words & Music by Keith Getty & Stewart Townsend, © 2002 ThankYou Music*)

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my Light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest draughts 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.

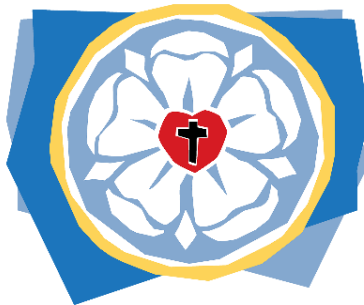
In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe.
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied,
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

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 arose 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.

SERMON “A Righteous Faith!”

Pastor Tim Knapp

Notes:



HYMN OF RESPONSE “In Christ Alone” , v. 4

(Words & Music by Keith Getty & Stewart Townsend, © 2002 ThankYou Music)

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 pow’r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns, or calls me home, here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for Christ’s Church here and throughout the world,
that as she may rejoice in her calling, enduring and strengthened
by grace through faith in Christ alone.

Pastor: Blessed Father, gracious and merciful, we praise Your holy name.
May Your Word have mighty effect, both here and throughout
the world, so that Your Church may increase and Your Name
may be glorified. In Your mercy, Lord: **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Pastor: For this congregation, that You would strengthen, bless and
guide us. For past blessings, we give You thanks, and for the joys
of ministry shared. We rejoice in the gifts of grace You have so
richly bestowed upon us, even as we ask that You continue to
inspire our witness to the hope of life we have in You. In Your
mercy, Lord: **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Additional petitions and praises are offered.

Pastor: Lord, according to Your loving kindnesses, hear us as we bring
our needs and concerns, our prayers and thanksgivings before
You, that what we have asked we may receive by Your mercy
and grace; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **AMEN.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

Congregation: And also with you.

At this time, we share the Lord’s peace with each other.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*

Congregation: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*

Congregation: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS “Holy, Holy, Holy”

LSB 208

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav’n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

Please see PowerPoint or back of the hymnal.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord ☩ be with you always.

Congregation: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

LSB 210

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

For those desiring to receive the LORD'S SUPPER today, please refer to the laminated card in the pew racks. Those not receiving Communion are still invited to come forward for a blessing. At the Communion rail, simply bow your head to receive a blessing.

At the time of Communion, please follow the direction of the ushers. For those receiving the individual cups, a non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Following the passing of the individual cups, the common cup is offered for those who wish to commune in that manner.

All who are communing are encouraged to review the Sacrament of the Altar on pp. 326-327, and the Questions on pp. 329-330, in the front of the hymnal.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice”

LSB 556

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Gracious Savior, at this Table, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of Your final coming, we may, together with all who have died in the faith, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in Your kingdom, which has no end; even as you now live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

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.

Congregation: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

LSB 655

POSTLUDE**DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Redeemed and restored,
Congregation: we are rejoicing in Jesus.

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The flowers this morning are given
To the Glory of God
By Adeline Olmstead

Trinity Calendar for Oct 29-Nov 5, 2023

Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study: "Dispatch to a Church in Exile" (<i>A Study of Peter's First Letter</i>) and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
	11:45 am	Voters Meeting
Monday		
Tuesday	5-6:30 pm	Men's Wings Bible Study and meal: "David: Developing a Heart for God"
Wednesday	6:30 pm	"Christianity 101" Study w/Pastor Harkey
Thursday	10:00 am	Bible Study: "Race to Glory" (<i>Book of Hebrews</i>)
	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting
Friday		LWML Fall Retreat begins
Saturday	8:00 am	Men of Christ Bible Study: "The Chosen: Bible Roundtable"
	9-2:00 pm	TCS Craft Fair
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study: "Dispatch to a Church in Exile" (<i>A Study of Peter's First Letter</i>) and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion

Families of the week: *The Lightfoot, Lincoln and Long families*

Birthdays:

- 31 Oct—Jim Olmstead
- 4 Nov—Tim Dresser

Anniversaries:

- 30 Oct—Todd and Lisa Patnode



Let the Pastors know how much you appreciate them with a card, kind words or a gift which may be placed on the Narthex Table. For more information or ideas, please speak to Lonnie Geer, or one of the Elders.

“For the Word of God is living and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword...” Heb 4:12



Don't neglect your study of the Word! Trinity currently has lots of Bible study opportunities to enjoy learning and spending time with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Put on the full armor of God.

Find specific Bible study info on Narthex table, church website, and pre-service announcement slides.

“It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every **word that comes from the mouth of **God**.” Matt. 4:4**



*Do you need prayer or know someone who does?
Prayer requests may be made by filling out one of the prayer request cards kept in the back of the pews and leaving it in the offering plate or by contacting Judy Taylor at eisen@myfairpoint.net
For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their **prayers**—**1 Peter 3:12**
Updates to earlier prayer requests are always appreciated!*

Would you like to bless a teacher at Trinity Christian School? Our teachers do a tremendous job of teaching academics as well as the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Along the way, they encounter needs for their classrooms.

You can help by giving a gift for the Teacher Tree.



Starting Nov. 20, there will be a Christmas tree with tags hanging on it in the foyer outside the TCS office. Each tag will anonymously list a request made by one of the teachers for their classroom—anything from glue sticks to toys or puzzles for their students. If you wish to bless them, simply take a tag, purchase the item, and place it unwrapped under the tree by Dec. 19. Unclaimed tags will be fulfilled by the TCS PTFA. All items will then be distributed sometime in Jan. You will have blessed one of our precious teachers, and the students they teach!

For help or more information, contact Mitch after Sunday Worship or through the church office, or Amber Rucczko at arucczko@tcskeene.com. Thank you for your consideration.



TCS Annual Craft Fair is almost here!

Lots of crafts to check out and purchase
From various vendors,
As well as food available

Saturday, November 4
9:00-2:00 pm
In the Gym



October 29 – Pentecost XXII (Proper 25A)/Reformation Day – Our Reformation heritage includes boldly and gladly confessing God’s Word. The Scriptures speak frequently and forcefully of taking care of children (1 Thessalonians 2:7) and standing up for a neighbor’s life (Leviticus 19:16).

On this Reformation weekend, let’s rekindle our commitment to be faithful to the God who both preserves and redeems this world in His ways. And let’s remind ourselves of the blessings that come from following Him in all things, now and forever. (*Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*)



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