



Heart Issues
are **HARD ISSUES**
It Just Takes One Word - No One is Left Out



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Sunday, October 25, 2020
Reformation Sunday

Good morning and welcome to worship!

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door of Wittenberg's Castle Church, which began a great period of Reformation in the Church. Today, we continue our series called, "Heart Issues are Hard Issues." We will look at the message from Revelation, where the angel calls out to "every tribe, language, language and people." Our sermon title is, "No One is Left Out!"

Opening Song

"The Lord My God Be Praised"

LSB #794



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
 Δ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
 To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Time of Confession and Forgiveness

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit

Psalm 46

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

C: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

P: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

C: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

P: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

C: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

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

C: Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

P: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

C: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

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

Hymn of Praise

"This Is the Feast"

LSB #155

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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 grant to Your Church 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.

C: Amen.

The First Reading

Revelation 14:6-7

In the last days, God will make Himself known to all.

We will worship the Lord and fear Him because the hour of His judgment will come.

R: The First Reading for Reformation Sunday is from the book of Revelation, the 14th chapter:

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."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading

Romans 3:19-28

We are all sinners saved by Jesus and justified freely by His grace and through the saving work of the cross.

Jesus shed His blood for us, and we receive this by faith.

R: The Second Reading is from the book of Romans, the third chapter:

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.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

We were once captives in chains and prisoners to sin until the Truth Himself, Jesus Christ, justified us freely by His grace through the saving work of the cross. His blood was poured out for us to abolish condemnation and promote His wonderful gift of grace.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ 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.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offerings

(We encourage you to give your offering to the Lord in the receptacle near the entrance.)

Offering Prayer & the Prayers of God's People

(Response to the petitions)

P: Lord, in Your Mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

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

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

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

C: And also with you.

Distribution Hymn

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed**

**(CHORUS) *My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood, His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace***

**The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures (CHORUS)**

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine**

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Post-Communion Collect

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

C: Amen

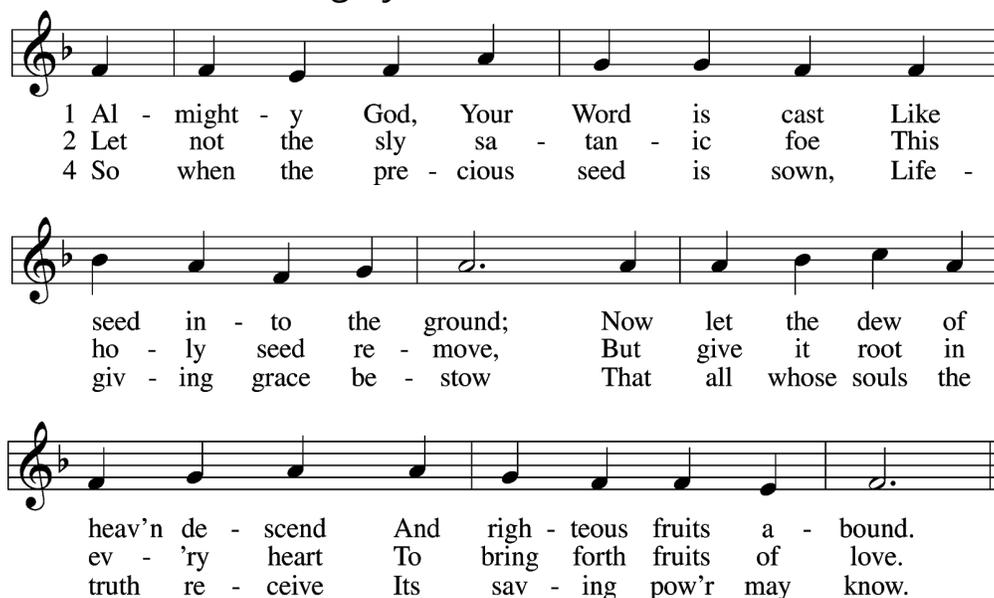
P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Benediction

P: 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.

All: Amen



1 Al - might - y God, Your Word is cast Like
 2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe This
 4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, Life -

seed in - to the ground; Now let the dew of
 ho - ly seed re - move, But give it root in
 giv - ing grace be - stow That all whose souls the

heav'n de - scend And righ - teous fruits a - bound.
 ev - 'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.
 truth re - ceive Its sav - ing pow'r may know.

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FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE

We Are One In Christ

1. Discuss what happened on the first Reformation Day. What are some ways the church can still be working to be better? (Example: reaching the next generation, outreach during the pandemic, addressing racism, helping the poor and needy, holding ourselves accountable, not being hypocrites, etc.)
2. Look up the song "A Mighty Fortress" by Martin Luther. Read the words, sing it as a family, or listen to a recording on YouTube. Take turns choosing a line in the song and explaining why it is meaningful to you.
3. Look up in a dictionary (or dictionary.com) what the word "glory" means. How do we see God's glory in our church and through our worship service? How can we share God's glory with others in our lives?
4. Instead of focusing on what divides us, we should try to see in others the One who unites us—Jesus. How can we do this? What does this look like?

End this time of family engagement and discussion with this prayer:

Dear God, as we celebrate Reformation Day, we know that more work needs to be done. We want our church and our lives to reflect your love, your beauty, and your justice. Help us to humble ourselves and admit where we have fallen short. Give us your strength and grace to try again, using your power in our lives to create change. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Announcements

Continue to join us for worship on our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/tlcmuskegon or on our website at www.tlcmuskegon.org.

Altar Flowers for today have been given by Tim & Jenny Reck in celebration of Jenny Reck's and Jeff Johnston's birthdays.

The Eternal Candle for October has been donated by Joan Thom.

JAM (Jesus And Me) has begun!

We need your help! If you would like to help teach JAM, please let Jen Braden know. You can contact her at 231-903-7523 or jen7065_99@yahoo.com for more information

COMMUNION SERVICE

A special communion service will be held on Thursday, November 12th at 7:00 & 7:20 pm. This is especially for those not attending in-person worship at this time, but all are welcome to come and receive the Lord's Supper during a brief service with small groups in the sanctuary. Call the church office at (231) 755-1292 to register.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

We rejoice with those who celebrate birthdays this week: Jeff Johnston, Jennifer Reck, Janet Audo's 85th, Cori Jannenga, Kate Taylor, Shana Thielbar, Crystal Hunter, Phylis Lent, Maren Buhl, Dylan Hancock, Landon Tuck's 10th, and Sandy Morningstar!

Congratulations to Bob & Joan Thom, who celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary on October 24th!

If you wish to have contact information, please call or email the church office at telephone number - 231.755.1292 or email info@tlcmuskegon.org



THANK YOU TO ALL! Thank you for all of the kind cards, encouragements, and gifts for Pastor Appreciation month. You are all a great and wonderful blessing from God! May God richly bless you! Pastor & Carrie Appold

SAUERKRAUT SUPPER We are saddened to announce that without a way to safely prepare and serve the meal, we have postponed this year's Sauerkraut Supper. We look forward to the day we can safely join together for large group meals again.

THANKSGIVING BASKET GIVEAWAY Volunteers are needed at the Muskegon Rescue Mission, Men's shelter to help with some loading and unloading on November 20th from 9-Noon; November 23rd from 6:30 AM to Noon, and November 24th from 6:30 AM to Noon. Please see Pastor Appold if you are interested in helping. Mission needs your response by Monday, Nov. 2.

MONTHLY MIRACLE DRIVE

For the months of October & November we are collecting personal care items for all ages as well as new and gently used children's clothing, shoes, and boots in all sizes. These items will be donated to Love, INC. for them to provide to families in need. Thank you for your generosity!

ONE NATION UNDER GOD - Healing the Racial Divides in America - This study pulls back the covers over the racial issues that divide us so that we can better understand one another and search the Scriptures for a hopeful path forward through Jesus Christ. In person and on ZOOM.

[Meeting ID: 204 576 0929](#)

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YOU ARE NEVER ALONE a study which looks at the Gospel of John, is meeting in the parlor and on Zoom at 7pm on Wednesdays. This study is particularly suited for our times, as many people have felt very lonely due to the coronavirus pandemic and other things. This study was written by Max Lucado and will be led by Pastor Appold. Study guides are available in the church office for a suggested cost of \$8.50. [Meeting ID: 204 576 0929](#) [Passcode: Trinity](#)

TRUNK OR TREAT - WE NEED YOUR HELP, PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY

Trinity is working with Kingdom Embassy Covenant Church, Calvary Church, and Forest Park Covenant Church to do a Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat for our community on Oct 31 at 2:00 in the Lakes Mall Parking Lot. We need many volunteers! 10-15 families to decorate trunks and hand out candy, traffic control, prayer team, lots and lots of candy donations! See our Facebook event for more details, to volunteer contact [Clara Short](#) or the church office at info@tlcmuskegon.org



CAMP RESTORE DETROIT will host their **annual fundraiser virtually this year on December 4**. They will share a live video fundraiser with anyone that signs up, the theme is Greater Things 2020! If you are interested in more information for either event, email amy@camprestore.org or elizabeth@camprestore.org



FOOD TRUCK - Trinity is hosting a Feeding America Food Truck and free luncheon on Saturday, November 7 at 1:00pm. Please help us spread the word and share with our community. We need help preparing and packaging meals as well as working outdoors with the truck.

Please **SIGN UP TODAY** in the narthex or contact Barb Rudick at the church office (231)755-1292 or at care@tlcmuskegon.org

EXPERIENCE THE HOLY LAND

Join Pastor Lassanske and Pastor Woell October 6-15, 2021 on a journey of a lifetime to Israel. Brochures are now available for the itinerary which will guide our travel from the Negev to Bethlehem through the Judea wilderness up to Galilee. We will spend two days in the old city of Jerusalem. If you have questions or want to know more details — contact Pastor Lassanske at 231-750-4054 or email him at dennlass03@gmail.com

GIVING AT TRINITY

Thank you for continuing to generously give to Trinity and support the ministry with your Offerings. You may do so by mailing your Offering envelopes to Trinity at 3225 Roosevelt Road, Muskegon, MI, 49441 or by giving online. If you wish you set up an online giving account, please go to www.tlcmuskegon.org/give

THE MICHIGAN MINUTE NEWS FROM THE MICHIGAN DISTRICT, LCMS

Now, more than ever, it is important to be up-to-date with the news of our church body, the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, as a whole. The Michigan District of the LCMS is working hard to provide resources of encouragement, answer theological questions, provide financial guidance for churches, educate about best practices of staying connected for worship online, and more. To connect, subscribe to their Michigan Minute Enews emails by going to <https://michigandistrict.org/about-us/publications/michigan-minute-e-news/>. You will need to click on an additional link on the top of this webpage (it says, "To subscribe to the Michigan Minute E-newsletter, [click here](#).")

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THOSE WHO SERVE

Today - Sunday, October 25

Communion: Tim Koeppe & Tim Sorensen

Prayer Leader: Don Bogema

Reader: Tim Koeppe

Ushers: Bob DeBoer's Team

Door Opener: Tom Jandt

Hospitality: Lynn Koeppe

Next Sunday - Sunday, November 1

Communion: N/A

Prayer Leader: Tim Koeppe

Reader: Don Lent

Ushers: Tim Sorensen's Team

Door Opener: Bob & Sandy Morningstar

Hospitality: Laura Custer

Attendance for October 2020

Attendance			
Bible Studies		Online	
Sunday, October 4	16	2	
Wednesday, October 7	8	3	
Sunday, October 11	20	1	
Wednesday, October 14	10	3	
Sunday, October 18	14	0	
Church Attendance	In Person	Online	Communion
Sunday, October 4	70	18	N/A
Thursday, October 8	18	N/A	14
Sunday, October 11	74	18	70
Sunday, October 18	70	26	N/A
Sunday, October 25			
* Online refers to highest number of total viewers during Facebook Live			

Contributions for October 2020

Contributions			
September Totals (General & Building/Debt)			
Monthly Need	\$27,200	Monthly Total	\$32,580
October 18, 2020		October Month-to-Date	
General Fund		General Fund	
Weekly Need	\$5,600	MTD Need	\$16,800
Offerings	\$4,380	MTD Total	\$13,906
Building Fund		Building Fund	
Weekly Need	\$1,200	MTD Need	\$3,600
Offerings	\$333	MTD Total	\$2,167
Total		Total	
Weekly Need	\$6,800	MTD Need	\$20,400
Offerings	\$4,713	MTD Total	\$16,073