

As We Gather

History is the occasion but not the focus of this observance of the anniversary of the Reformation. It was an event, for sure, but it was an event precipitated by a crisis of teaching. The observance of Reformation Day remains a day on which we focus upon teaching—the faithful teaching of the justification of the sinner before God by grace through faith. We recall what happened as a warning that we must not allow doctrine to be corrupted and the Gospel of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ become a new law that binds instead of frees the sinner from his chains. Today, we give a nod to the past while affirming in the present the same commitment to deliver the faithful Gospel of Jesus Christ: the Justifier who declares the sinner just.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is being celebrated today. It is the belief of the Lutheran Church, based on Jesus' own words, that in this Sacrament His body and blood are really present and that forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation are offered to all who come confessing their sins and believing in Him. Communion is therefore offered to those who share this confession of faith. Children who are not yet confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Guests who may have questions about Communion at Mt. Calvary are encouraged to talk to Pastor Brighton.

PRELUDE**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING****PROCESSIONAL HYMN:***"Thy Strong Word"***Hymn #578, stanzas 1-3****THE INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Do you believe that you are a sinner?

Yes, I believe it; I am a sinner.

How do you know this?

From the Ten Commandments; these I have not kept.

Are you sorry for your sins?

Yes, I am sorry I have sinned against God.

What have you deserved of God by your sins?

His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.

Do you also hope to be saved?

Yes, such is my hope.

In whom, then, do you trust?

In my dear Lord Jesus, Christ.

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

He died for me and shed His blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of sins.

Why ought we remember and proclaim His death?

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.

What was it that moved Him to die and make satisfaction for your sins?

His great love to His Father and to me and other sinners.

Finally, why do you wish to go to the Sacrament:

That I may learn to believe that Christ died for my sin out of great love, as before said; that I may learn also of Him to love God and my neighbor.

As you believe, so let it be. In the stead and by the command of my 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.

Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: *"All Glory Be to God Alone"*

(Words written by Martin Luther, ca. 1537, this is a metrical setting of the angel's song to the shepherds, "Gloria in excelsis Deo")

**All glory be to God alone, forevermore the highest one,
Who did our sinful race befriend and grace and peace to us extend.
Among us may His gracious will all hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.**

**We praise You, God; Your name we bless and worship You in humbleness;
From day to day we glorify the everlasting God on high.
Of Your great glory do we sing, and to Your throne our thanks we bring.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

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 that You would keep 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 evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

(please be seated)

FIRST LESSON Revelation 14:6-7 *(A call to worship the God who made the heavens!)*

⁶Then 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. ⁷And 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."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE ANTHEM: "One Lord, One Faith, One Hope"

Sanctuary Choir

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 3:19-28 (*Paul declares that the righteous are saved by faith, apart from the law.*)

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the eighth chapter.



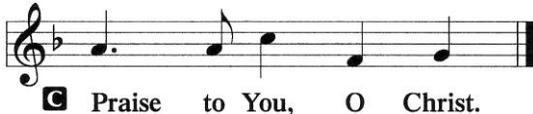
Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 8:31-36 (*Jesus declares that the truth will set you free.*)

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Vicar Tim Staffeld

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Hymn #657

(Text and tune by Martin Luther. Tune setting by JS Bach)

THE MESSAGE: "Right with God through Faith"

Pastor David Brighton

THE SECOND ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES CREED AND MEANING:

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from all eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

THE PRAYERS: After each petition, the Worship Leader will say, "*Lord in Your mercy,*" and the congregation will respond, "***Hear our prayer.***"

THE GATHERING OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

++ The Stewardship Thought ++

The three Reformation "solos" –

Sola Gratia (Grace Alone), Sola Fides (Faith Alone) and Sola Scriptura (Scripture Alone)

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast."

OFFERTORY HYMN: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

(Words written by Martin Luther ca. 1542 following the defeat of King Ferdinand by the Mohammedan Turks and an alliance signed by the King of France with Sultan Suleiman against the emperor, a pact the pope reportedly sided with! Thus, the second line of verse one originally read: "Restrain the murderous Pope and Turk," words that were later changed to a general petition for protection against all who oppose God's Word.)

**Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son and bring to naught all He has done.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known, for You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we may sing Your Praise eternally.**

**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.**

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

LUTHER'S EXHORTATION TO COMMUNICANTS

Dearly beloved, since it is our intention to come to the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is proper that we diligently examine ourselves as St. Paul tells us to do, for this Holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort and strengthening of those who humbly confess their sins and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

But if we examine ourselves, we shall find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we cannot set ourselves free. Therefore our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy upon us and has taken on Himself our nature that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and for us and for our deliverance suffer death and all that we by our sins have deserved. And that we should the more confidently believe this and be strengthened by our faith in cheerful obedience to His holy will, He has instituted the Holy Sacrament of His supper, in which He feeds us with His body and gives us to drink of His blood.

Therefore, whoever eats of this bread and drinks of this cup, firmly believing the words of Christ, dwells in Christ, and Christ in him, and has eternal life.

We should do this also in remembrance of Him, showing His death, that He was delivered for our offenses and raised again for our justification and, giving Him our most hearty thanks, take up our cross and follow Him and according to His commandment love one another as He has loved us, for we are all one body, even as we all eat of His body and drink of His blood.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

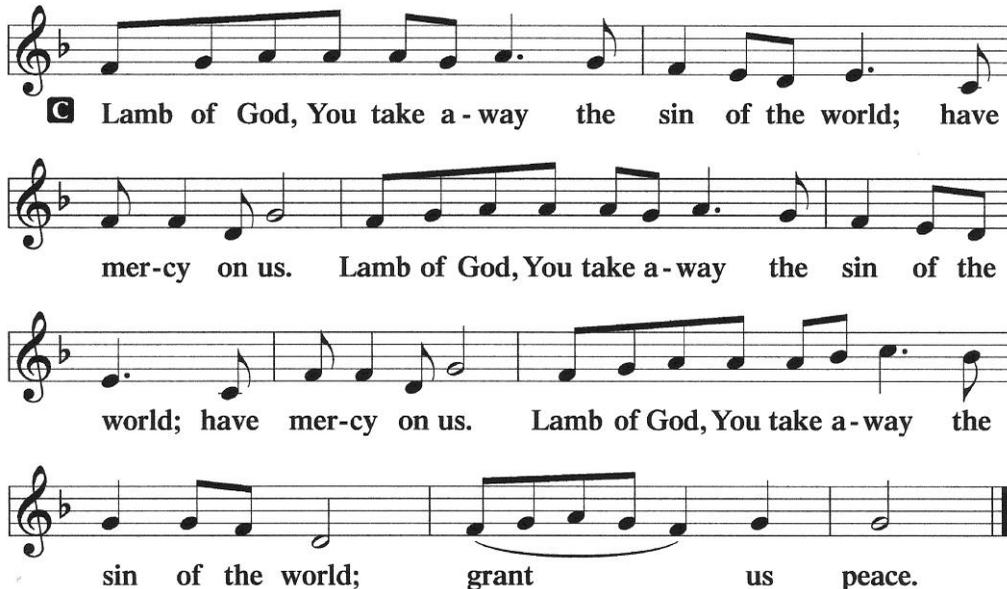
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.



G Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION *(The center cup in each tray is white grape juice for or pregnant moms or those allergic to alcohol .)*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"Reformation Medley"

"What Is This Bread"

"Amazing Grace"

"Preserve Your Word, O Savior"

Praises Ring Bell Choir

Hymn #629

Hymn #744

Hymn #658

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

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.

Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN:

"Thy Strong Word"

Hymn #578, stanzas 4-6

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Lutheran Church Extension Fund

> [Florida-Georgia district](#)

Lutheran Church Extension Fund makes available resources and services that are used to equip Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod ministries as they embrace God’s plan. Daniel J. Reichard, LCEF District Vice President, will speak briefly before each worship service next weekend and he will be available after each service to answer any questions you may have.

Planning Your Legacy. Dan Reichard will be the guest speaker at 9:30 am next Sunday at Pastor Brighton’s Sunday School class. He will share the “LCEF Story”; detailing Investments, Loans and Ministry Services.

Members of the Week- Karen and Cora (Corky) Case grew up in Port William, Ohio. At a young age their mother died. With older children to care for, their father was not able to care for them so they went to live with their aunt and uncle. This aunt and uncle became mom and dad to them. Corky was sickly as a child and some think she may have had polio. After high school, she worked as a Nursing Assistant and also worked in sterile processing at the hospital. Karen’s job was Inventory Control at Wilmington Publishing Co. for 18 years and then Production Control at the Antioch Co. in Yellow Springs, OH. (This company is now Creative Memories.) They decided to move to the Warner Robins area 8 years ago to be near their brother Roger and also because of the snow in Ohio. Corky broke her hip several times while still living in Ohio and has had continuing difficulty getting around. She has been using a walker for 4 years. They have a lot of family in Ohio and they missed being there, so they decided to move back. The winter in Ohio last year was so severe they moved back to Warner Robins again; this time hopefully to stay.

Our Altar Flowers were provided this week by Doug Branham, in loving memory of the birthday of his mom, Helen Branham; by Carl & Barb Mabee, in honor of the birthday of their son, Chris; and by Carl & Charleen Beahm in honor of their wedding anniversary on October 25th.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund Seminar: "Prepare, Provide and Protect" Are your loved ones well cared and provided for? Will your property pass to your intended heirs? Will your legacy share your faith and values? These questions and others you may have will be discussed at a free seminar on **Saturday, October 31st, from 3:30-5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** A complimentary Legacy Guide will be given to all who attend. This same session would cost hundreds of dollars if we had to pay for it, so take advantage of this free seminar! The presenter is Pamela K. Moksnes, CFP.

Newsletter Deadline: Please have all items for the November Newsletter into the office by Monday, October 26.

New Address for the Hinkles: The Hinkles' new address is 6700 NW 128th Terrace, Oklahoma City, OK 73142. Phone numbers: are 937-974-6127 for Andy and 937-974-6122 for Cindy.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is hosting a Regional Outreach Conference in Orlando, FL on Nov 13 and 14. If you would like to attend this conference, please contact Jeff Townsend at 478-988-9991 or jklmtown@comsouth.net. We will leave Warner Robins after work on Thursday, Nov 12 and return late at night on Saturday, Nov 14.

Mt Calvary will celebrate and honor our veterans on Sunday, November 8th with our traditional luncheon. We encourage anyone who has served in the military and family to attend. We also would like photos to include in the PowerPoint show. If you have never submitted a photo, please do so! Email the digital or scanned format to Keith Dierking at kd120@windstream.net or put the actual photo in is church mail box and it will be returned to you. Please include your name, rank, and dates of service. Thank you!

Ford Drive 4 UR Community Event: on Nov 7 at Central Georgia Tech, 80 Cohen Walker Drive. For every test drive, Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 to the 2015 Robins Leadership Class for the benefit of **Family Promise of Greater Houston County**. More test drives = more money.

*No sales - * No obligation *Must be 18.

5th Annual Thanks for Giving Life Banquet. The Houston County, Georgia Right to Life chapter is sponsoring its 5th annual "Thanks for Giving Life" Banquet on Tuesday, October 27th from 6:30-8:30 pm at the Wellston Center at 155 Maple Street in Warner Robins. Please join Pastor and Marcia Brighton at this free banquet which celebrates life! There will also be door prizes and a silent auction. To register for the banquet you may call/text 478-397-5914 or register on the web at: www.tiny.cc/LIFE or send an email to: midgarighttolife@gmail.com. Just say you want to come to the banquet. You must RSVP by October 20th.

Come to the Warner Robins Recreation Department on Watson Blvd to cheer on our Mt. Calvary Volleyball team. This week's game is Thursday @ 6:15 – vs The Lodge. Wear a blue shirt!! Go team!!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Chet Branscom, who is hospitalized with an infection in his hand.

Jan Clark, who had shoulder surgery and is recovering at home.

Ralph Wenrick, who fell and injured his leg.

Jacque Bohm, who has shingles.

Rosie Schulz, who is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Josie Kong, Evvy Keyes' mom, who has been diagnosed with hydrocephalus (water on the brain) and a brain tumor.

Tony Kong, Evvy Keyes' dad, who is still in the ICU, and on a ventilator.

Anne Engle, who is in hospice care in Perry.

Deaglan Lovett, Jennifer O'Donnell's infant son, who is in the NICU at Coliseum Hospital.

Keep In Your Prayers

Diane McCall, Courage Trasmer, Paul Brown, Nancy Hoar, Diane McCall, Monika Reynolds, Gary Webb, Yekabu Gedru, Rev. Richard Schuller, Marrison Halsell and Karen Johnson.

(NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after eight weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another eight weeks, please contact the church office.)

Those Battling Cancer

Those battling cancer: Ken Reilly, Anne Harter (daughter of Dick & Susan Kesler), Margaret Frazier, Mary Jahnke (Joe's sister), Barry Rice (Becky McVay's brother), Norma Young (Melinda Hopf's aunt), Paula Babcock, Kathy Grube, Chet Branscom, Mary Schwope (Michele Durbin's aunt), Jeannette Poniske (Fred Tamer's mom), Bruce Oswalt (Krystal Ferguson's father), Gary Jennings (Margaret Jennings' son), Elaine Mead (Jeannie Hawkins' aunt) and Fred Diehl.

Those Serving our Country in Dangerous Areas

Chris Walker, Darrin Landis, Denver Yarbrough, Michael Welch, Jonathan Fetchik and Christian Corbitt, for safety and good health as they serve our country in dangerous areas.

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Pastor David Brighton. **LITURGIST:** Vicar Tim Staffeld. **ELDERS:** Darron Counselman (8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Taitum Gossman (8 am) and Carlee Toler (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Erv Robinson, Paul Keister, Fred Hursey, Steve Kirchoff & Eric Gossman. Late – Dwight Miller, Roger Moeller, John Hunter, Jim Morey & Cameron Mastenbrook. **ALTAR GUILD:** Sallie Brinkley, Barbara Locke, Sherry Parsons & Pat Stetzler. **LAY READERS:** Deb Fingles (8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Roger Moeller. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Tanner Gossman (8 am) and Caleb/DJ Nelson (10:45 am).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Laird Van Gorder (Sun 8 am) and Adam Beecher (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Zoe Bowden (Sat 6 pm), Abigail Halsell (8 am) and Maddy Hagemann (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Fingles, Kathy Grube, Jeannie Hawkins, Sue Julson & Linna Nielsen. **LAY READERS:** Becky McVay (Sat 6 pm), Steve Kirchoff (8 am) and Dave Harter (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Tyson & Sara Van Lannen (Sun 8 am) and Riley Hood (Sun 10:45 am).

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Revelation 7:2-17 and 1 John 3:1-3

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday – 68 Early – 98 Late – 147 Total – 313

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Sunday	1 – 4 pm	ReformationFest & 35th Anniversary
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting
Monday	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Wednesday	5:30-8 pm	Fall Festival
	7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
Thursday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	6 – 9 pm	Middle School Party
Saturday	10:00 am	Altar Guild Meeting
	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	6:30 pm	TAG Night