

# Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## REFORMATION: Grace, Faith, Scripture Today's Theme: Bold Witness: Here I Stand

### *Opening*

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
C: Amen.

### *Opening Hymn – “O God, Our Lord, Your Holy Word”*

CW 204

### *A Psalm of Confession (Psalm 51)*

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;

C: **According to your great compassion blot out all my transgressions.**

P: Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

C: **For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.**

P: Against you, you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

C: **Surely I have been a sinner from birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.**

P: Hide your face from my sins.

C: **And blot out all my iniquity.**



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir-it with - in me.



Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho-ly Spir-it



from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with



your free Spir-it. A-men.

P: Dear Father, as you said to King David so you say to us, "Be of good cheer, your sins are forgiven!" You grant us cleansing from all our sins and restore to us the joy of your

### ***Prayer for the Day***

P: Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## **God's Word**

***"Since you desire a simple reply, I will answer without horns and without teeth. I do not accept the authority of popes and councils for they have contradicted each other. Unless I am convinced by Scripture, my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and I will not retract anything, since it is neither safe nor right to go against conscience. May God help me, Amen."*** (adapted, Luther's Works)

### **Jeremiah 1:4-10 – Bold Witness**

<sup>4</sup>The word of the LORD came to me, saying, <sup>5</sup>"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." <sup>6</sup>"Ah, Sovereign LORD," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am only a child." <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a child.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, "Now, I have put my words in your mouth. <sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant."

### ***Vignette***

### **2 Peter: 1:16-21 – The Prophets Made More Certain**

<sup>16</sup>We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." <sup>18</sup>We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

<sup>19</sup>And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup>Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

### ***Verse of the Day***

P: Alleluia. They are before the throne and serve him night and day in his temple. Alleluia.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! These words are writ-ten that



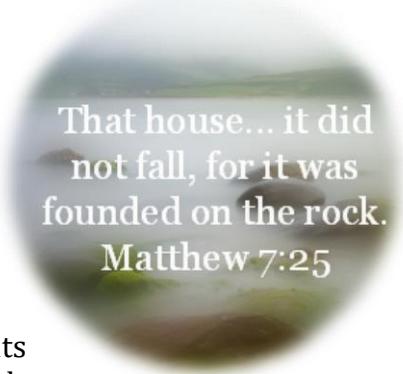
we may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

### ***Matthew 7:24-29 – Building on the Rock***

<sup>24</sup>"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup>The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. <sup>26</sup>But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup>The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash." <sup>28</sup>When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, <sup>29</sup>because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.



That house... it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.  
Matthew 7:25

## ***The Confession of Faith***

I believe in God our Lord and Father in heaven, who made us the crown of his creation, and preserves us with every good thing, that we may live before him in peace and joy. I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, God's only Son from eternity, who became a man for us sinners. He redeemed us from Satan's power with his holy precious blood, rose from death, and made us his own to live with him now and forever. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who draws us to our Savior by the Gospel, who keeps us united in the true faith, forgives our sins, and at the end of the world will raise us from death to eternal life. I believe in the Triune God. Amen.

***Sermon Hymn – “Thy Strong Word”***

**CW 280 vv 1-4**

***Sermon***

# ***BOLD WITNESS: Here I Stand***

***Based on Jeremiah 1:4-10***

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**Here I Stand**

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***Offering and Signing of Friendship Register***



# ***Order of Lord's Supper***

***Our church practices membership communion.  
We ask that only members of  
our church body, the Wisconsin Lutheran Synod,  
partake of the sacrament.***

P: What is the sacrament of Holy Communion?

C: **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ together with bread and wine, instituted for us Christians to eat and to drink.**

P: What blessings do we receive through this eating and drinking?

C: **That is shown us by these words, "Given and poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins." Through these words we receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation in this sacrament. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.**



Come to the ta<sup>1</sup>-ble of mer-cy, Pre - pared with the wine and the bread; All who are hun-gry and thirst-y,



Come and your souls will be fed. Come at the Lord's in-vi - ta-tion; Re - ceive from His nail-scarred



hand. Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; Drink of the blood of the Lamb.

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***Lord's Prayer*** Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, As we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## *Words from the Upper Room*

### *Come Share the Lord*



We gath-er here in Je-sus' name; His love is burn-ing in our hearts like  
We'll gath-er soon where an-gels sing; We'll see the glo-ry of our Lord and



liv-ing flame, For thro' the lov-ing Son, The Fa-ther makes us one:  
com-ing King. Now we an-tic-i-pate The feast for which we wait:



Come, take the bread; come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.  
Come, take the bread, come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.

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## *Reception*

### *Thanksgiving*

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for nourishing me in this Sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live to your praise and glory. Amen.

### *Blessing*

P: May the blessing of the eternal God be upon us; his light to guide us, his presence to shelter us, his peace to unite us.

C: Amen.

### *Musical Selection*

### *Men's Quartet*

#### *"Lord When Your Glory I Shall See"*

Author Paul Gerhardt Tune WEDDING GLORY Public Domain

**CALENDAR & NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** Our December calendar will be finalized this week. If you have any information that should be included – please make sure to get it to the church office by tomorrow.

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT:** Sign-up sheets are available on the table in the narthex to host or attend this event. Come, prepare your heart for Christmas.

## **Upcoming Activities & Worship Opportunities**

- 11/23 9a Thanksgiving Worship “It’s All In the Bag”**
- 11/28 6:30p – COR Women’s Group invites you to assemble jars**
- 12/02 6p – Advent by Candlelight – sign-up sheets on table**
- 12/03 11:30a -Voter’s Budget & Elections Meeting**
- 12/05 8:30a – Put up Christmas Tree – talk to Pastor to volunteer**
- 12/06 6-7:30p Advent Dinner (Italian) and Devotion**
- 12/8 & 9 5:30-6:30p Living Nativity – see sign up sheet to help!**
- 12/13 6-7:30p Advent Dinner (hosted by choir and Adult Discipleship) and Devotion**
- 12/20 7p Children’s Christmas Service**
- 12/22 Half Day of School before Christmas Break**
- 12/24 9a Advent 4 Worship  
5 & 7p Christmas Eve Worship**
- 12/25 9a Christmas Day Worship**
- 12/31 9a New Year’s Worship with Communion**

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Worship at 9a) and Thursdays  
at 7p

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website [corchurch.com](http://corchurch.com) and click on Video Broadcast.
- As a member of Christ Our Redeemer we are connected to each other through our unity of faith and the public confession of that faith in Lord's Supper. To read what our profession of faith is, go to [www.corchurch.com](http://www.corchurch.com) and click on "Our Beliefs" or take a copy of the tract "What We Believe" in the Visitor Information Center kiosk. To become a member of our church family, please speak with the pastor.