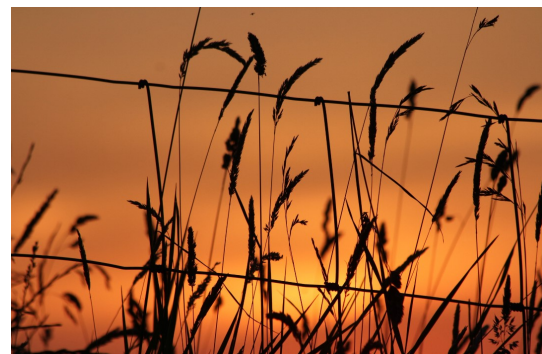




Reformation Sunday



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness—

Gathering Song

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Greeting

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

“Now the Feast and Celebration”

ELW167

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

“Praise, O Praise Our God and King!”

Chancel Choir

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children’s Message

Jeremiah 31:31-34...The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Romans 3:19-28...Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

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Gospel Acclamation

John 8:31-36...Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples;³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."³³ They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever.³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Love"

ELW 517

Apostles' Creed

Prayers

Sharing God's Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

"On Bended Knee"

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Songs

"Lamb of God"
"Jesus Loves Me"

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

ELW 705

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are given by Bob & Deb Krueger in celebration of Ed & Alisa's wedding anniversary.
- ⇒ **Call Process Update** Throughout the building, you will see Call Process posters. We are currently in step one of the Preparation Phase: "Transition Begins." The Assistant to the Bishop working with us is Pastor Juliet Focken. Pastor Heather is serving as our full-time interim pastor throughout the call process.
- ⇒ **Young Adult Care Packages** will be assembled following worship today. All ages are invited to help assemble care packages for our members who have graduated high school in the last 4 years. If you'd like to donate items for the care packages (snacks, candy, school supplies, \$5 gift cards, etc.), please put them in the designated bin in the Narthex.
- ⇒ **Trunk N Treat** will be held in our Parking Lot on Monday October 31 from 6-8 pm. We need congregation members who are willing to decorate the trunk of their car and hand out candy! If that's you, [please sign up at this link](#). Thanks for your help!
- ⇒ **Adult forum** next Sunday, November 6th is called Jesus: The Revolution of Love.
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** will meet Monday's at 1:00 pm in the Youth Room here at Holy Cross. Questions, contact Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040.
- ⇒ **Knitting in the Narthex** Join us on Friday's from 1 to 2:30 pm to work on prayer shawls here at Holy Cross!
- ⇒ **Turkey** Have you seen the giant Turkey in the Narthex? 180 Turkeys have been preordered that will be delivered just in time for our Thanksgiving Pantry on November 17th, and we need your help. Pick a Feather and donate today!
- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our First Saturday of the month food pantry is November 5th. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. We are in need of canned veggies, canned fruit, pasta sauce, pasta, cereal, juice, bar soap, and paper sacks.
- ⇒ **Fall Craft Fair** Saturday, November 19, Holy Cross will host its 8th annual Fall Craft Fair! From 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, over 30 arts and crafts vendors from around the Omaha area will be set up with their goods to help kick off your holiday shopping! Admission is free! All vendor fees go to our Youth Fund to help support our junior high and high school summer trips. We hope to see you there!

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, October 30

9:30 am Reformation Worship
10:45 am Intergenerational Service Project

Monday, October 31

1:00 pm Centering Prayer Group
6:00 pm Trunk N Treat
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, November 1

7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, November 2

6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

Thursday, November 3

6:30 pm Carolan Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, November 4

6:00 pm Pantry Prep
7:00 pm Belles N Beaus

Saturday, November 5

8:00 am Food Pantry

Sunday, November 6

9:30 am All Saints Sunday Worship
10:45 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am Youth Ensemble
11:00 am High School/Middle School Bells
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Meeting

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Jan Swanson as she recovers from a fall. Connie Mertz as she deals with medical concerns.

On-Going Member Concerns: Edie Nabity at Hillcrest Papillion

Friends and Relatives: Todd & Kristie Erickson, brother & sister in law of Wendy Erickson; Marilyn Schneider, mother of Jim Schneider; Cliff & Carol Speck, friends of Loreen & Harvey Gifford; Walt Weaver & Carson Rich, family of Carol Rich; Angela Gehring, friend of Brad Yearwood; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Logan Black, son of Joey Black; George Adamson, friend of Sue Spengler; Tatyana Povazhnaya, friend of Sue Spengler; Billy & Gaylen Grunke, Wes Grunke's Brother's; Jason West, Sue Spengler's boyfriend's cousin; Andie Hunter, Elizabeth Yearwood's sister; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Amy Churchill, friend of Barb Kay; Ronald Gulbranson, Julie Noteman's brother; Josh Prochotsky and family, Paula McDonald's nephews son and family; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.