



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 AM

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Worshiping separately, together.

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WORSHIP NOTES

Welcome to our church family today as we celebrate the presence of the risen Jesus Christ in our lives and in our world. We pray that you will experience God—Father, Son, Holy Spirit—as you worship with us this morning.

**Enjoy the music conveniently printed in the back of this
bulletin so you can follow along at home! Have your
Bible ready to follow along with the scripture.**



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MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9 AM - 2 PM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word" ORGAN
arr. Paul Manz (ELW #517), Onelicense.net lic. # A-708055

WELCOME

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates,
redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

P: Faithful God,

C: have mercy on us.

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.
We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.
We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.
Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need,
and through his death and resurrection,
Christ has made us his own.
Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.
Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness
to do God's work in the world.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God" LAST PAGES
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GREETING

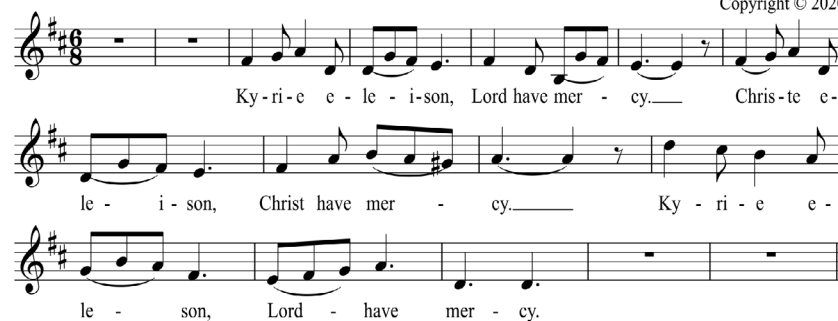
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

Kyrie Eleison

Mary Kay Bougie
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

JULIE KLOCK

SPECIAL MUSIC

"A Mighty Fortress" WORSHIP CHOIR RECORDING
arr. Kyle Pederson, Onelicense.net lic. # A-708055 - Also see Last Pages

WORD

READINGS

PSALM 46

ROMANS 3:19-28

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"You Belong to Christ"

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Text: Holy Baptism and
Related Rites, Renewing
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*"You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."*

GOSPEL

JOHN 8:31-36

P: The gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

PASTOR DAVID WEEKS

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" LAST PAGES

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RECOGNITION OF OFFERING

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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

"Built on a Rock" St. 1,3,5 LAST PAGES

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Processional on 'Christ is Made the Sure Foundation'"

ORGAN by David Willcocks (see ELW Hymn No. 645), Roger Dean
Pub. Co., division of Lorenz, SM 399, English Cathedral Series
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PRAYER MINISTRY:

Today we pray especially for:

Jan (sister-in-law of Joyce & Borris), Merlin, Sharon, Scott, Paula (daughter of Judy), Larry (brother of Sandra), Arliss, Valerie, Mark, Barbara, Tami, Sherry, Julie (daughter of Joan), Inez, Ian (grandson of Joan), Brian, Joan, Jennifer (daughter-in-law of Sheila), Eric, Bonnie (sister of Jean), Mary, and Karen (cousin of Carmen and Char).

*If you would like a visit from Pastor David,
please contact the Church Office at 645-8252.*

Last names are withheld for on-line privacy. Remember, God always knows who you are praying for!

THANK YOU, SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP LEADERS:

Musicians: Richard Collman, Mary Kay Bougie, Worship Choir & Guitarist Ray Coudret (2019 Reformation Sunday recording).
Reader: Patrick Bougie. Livestream: Terra Wiersen.

OFFERING: Please consider giving online via our website. Offering envelopes can also be mailed or dropped off in the lock box at the church (located at the office entrance). Automatic, recurring offering payments can be set up through Vanco (link on our website) or set up using bill pay at your bank.

ABOUT WORSHIP TODAY: Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

Be sure to register to receive weekly emails from us!

You can do so on our website at www.northfieldstp.org/email

IN-PERSON WORSHIP: Today we are broadcasting online only out of precaution as we had one worshiper from 10/11 who recently tested positive for covid-19. We hope to be in person again, but for now we will watch for other infections and monitor the cases in Rice County and MN. Check back again, and keep us online in the meantime!

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat -'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther
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ABOUT TODAY'S SPECIAL MUSIC, A RECORDING FROM LAST YEAR'S REFORMATION SUNDAY! "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" arr. by Kyle Pederson

"This arrangement is a re-imagining of Martin Luther's iconic melody. New harmonies and ambient electric guitar accompaniment create an ancient/modern feel giving new life to this classic hymn" (Kyle Pederson). The arranger, Kyle Pederson, has given us permission to print the text in our bulletin. There are subtle differences to the version we sing in our ELW hymnal. Please follow along!

A Mighty Fortress is our God,
 a refuge never failing.
 Our helper He amid the flood
 of mortal winds prevailing.
 For still our spirit's foes
 doth seek to work us woe;
 They lure with pow'r so great,
 with judgment and with hate;
 Shield us e'er, guard us as Thy own.

If we in our own strength confide,
 our striving would be losing.
 Were not the right Man on our side,
 the Man of God's own choosing.
 You as who this may be?
 Christ Jesus it is He.

Emmanuel His name,
 from age to age the same;
 Who was, Who is, Who e'er shall be.

Thy Word above all earthly pow'r;
 Thy Love above all earthly pow'r;
 Thy Hope above all earthly pow'r;
 My God above all earthly pow'r.
 Let goods and kindred go,
 this mortal life also;
 The body they may kill,
 God's truth abideth still.
 The Kingdom is forever.

~ Martin Luther (1483-1546)
 ADAPTED BY KYLE PEDERSON

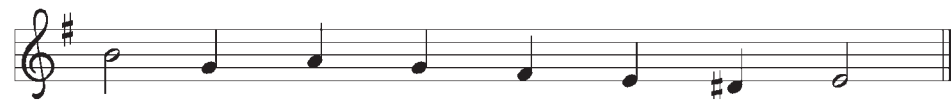
Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and



by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son
 Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we
 u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife



and bring to naught all he has done.
 may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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Built on a Rock

stanzas 1, 3 & 5



1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e - ven when stee - ples are
2 Sure - ly, in tem - ples made with hands God the Most High is not
3 Christ builds a house of liv - ing stones: we are his own hab - i -
4 Yet in this house, an earth - ly frame, Je - sus the chil - dren is
5 Through all the pass - ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; crum - bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are
dwell - ing— high in the heav'n's his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly
ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us
bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our
ring - ing, man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim - ing and call - ing—call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the
tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a -
life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their
Sav - ior con - fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak - ing with
prom - ise is bring - ing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



souls of those dis - tressed, long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
bide with us in love, mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
midst will show his grace, bless - ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
us his cov - e - nant, grant - ing his chil - dren the king - dom.
world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. A - men."

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt.

Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMEL HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

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