

October 27, 2020 – 9am Tempe Livestream

PRELUDE:

WELCOME:

REFORMATION INVOCATION: (PSALM 46:1-10)

¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

³though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰"Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth."

GATHERING SONG:

ELW 504 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" (Vs. 1, 2, 4)

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe
has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.
- 4 God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Holy Spirit"

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence, Lord

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GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They 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'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: Pastor Andrea Cain

SERMON SONG: "Speak, O Lord"

- 1 Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory
- 2 Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief
- 3 Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

PRAYERS OF COMMITMENT:

People of God, on this Reformation Day we are invited to commit ourselves and our whole lives to God's holy word and loving purpose, so that our lives may be abundant and the work of our hands be blessed.

Let us pray: Almighty God, you have called us together to be a church of love and service in the world. Keep us ever close to your word, that it might be written upon our hearts. We commit our lives to you, O God.

Help us to grow in faith and love toward you, so that we might always live in trust and hope.

Center us in weekly worship, daily prayer, and the mission of the church sending us to love our neighbors.

By your word, O Lord, bless our offerings and our mission as we commit our lives to you. Amen.

MOMENT OF PEACE (Philippians 4:7):

***You are invited to place your hands over your hearts.*

May the peace that passes understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER:

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our resources. Use us, and what we have generously given to feed the world with your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:

ELW 705 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

- 2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days,

- 3 Cure your children's warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Forgive us, Lord,
when our words and deeds do not honor you.

Free us from our prisons of fear, hatred,
prejudice, greed, and selfishness.

Open our hearts to the values of your Kingdom of grace.
Open our eyes to see your Kingdom
and help us to be an active part of it.
Open our ears to those who cry for help and justice. Amen.

God is the giver of many gifts
and the Creator of the one body.
God is slow to anger and quick to forgive.
God helps us to share and honor the gifts of all
to heal our wounds and reunite the body.
We are forgiven, loved, and accepted.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup,
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

BLESSING and SENDING:

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep
you in his grace. + Now and forever, Amen.
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

***Please wait to be dismissed by the ushers who will
dismiss from back to front, row by row.*