

The Worship of God

October 29, 2017

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Eleven O'Clock

The worship of God begins with the music of the organ. We encourage you to use this time for meditation and reflection. Please refrain from conversation which would disturb others and turn off or silence all electronic devices. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Fuge

Nicola Porpora

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Prelude in g (BWV 535)

J.S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT

Anton Bruckner

Locus iste a Deo factus est.

This place was made by God.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 284:

“Gather Us In”

GATHER US IN

(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Rebecca Watkins

Minister: We are the people of God,

People: Marked by water, claimed by the Spirit, precious and honored in God's sight.

Minister: We are the Body of Christ,

People: Gathered around the table, fed by the Bread of Life, filled with the cup of joy, and strengthened for God's service.

Minister: We are the community of faith,

People: Following God's lead, offering our gifts, seeing the Holy in the ordinary.

All: We are God's people. Let us rejoice and give thanks!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION: “And the Father Will Dance”

Mark Hayes

And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom he loves. Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God himself is exulting o'er you in song! And he will joy over you in song. My soul will make its boast in God, for he has answered all my cries. His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day. Awake my soul and sing! Let my spirit rejoice in God. Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear, for you have been restored! Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song. And he will joy over you in song. And the Father will dance over you in joy. God rejoices over you in song!

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and glory, you have called us to great visions, but we confess that we have let petty matters sidetrack great dreams. Forgive us when we are so preoccupied by the trivial that we lose sight of the eternal. You have called us to be brothers and sisters, but we confess that we find it easier to find fault than to offer grace. Forgive us when we are more interested in how we look to one another than in how we will live together. You have called us to be salt and light, but we confess that we have been content to be pale imitations that fail to make a difference. Forgive us when we would rather go along with this world than risk changing it. Have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 12:1-3

Minister: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: “Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen”

David M. Cherwien

Rise, O Church, like Christ arisen, from this meal of love and grace; may we through such love envision whose we are, and whose, our praise. Alleluia, alleluia; God, the wonder of our days. Rise, transformed, and choose to follow after Christ, though wounded, whole; broken, shared, our lives are hallowed to release and to console. Alleluia, alleluia; Christ, our present, past, and goal. Rise, remember well the future God has called us to receive; present by God's loving nurture, Spirited then let us live. Alleluia, alleluia; Spirit, grace by whom we live. Service be our sure vocation; courage be our daily breath; mercy be our destination from this day and unto death. Alleluia, alleluia. Rise, O church, a living faith.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 485:

“Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race”

TALLIS' CANON

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Improvisation on *Ein' Feste Burg*

Mark Pichowicz

* THE DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

This morning we give thanks for our sister churches which build unity among believers in order to bring wholeness to our community. The Acolyte brings forward a church and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: “The Church's One Foundation”

Samuel Wesley/arr. John Ferguson

The text of the anthem is hymn 272.

THE EPISTLE LESSON:

Ephesians 4:1-6

SERMON:

“A Knock on the Door”

Dr. Wright

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind;

have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism,

eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one Name,

are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope.

Together we come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ;

are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity;

know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ

that we need one another and up build one another, admonishing and comforting one another;

that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness.

Together we pray; together we serve God in this world.

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THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 65:

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

EIN' FESTE BURG

(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata from *Suite Gothique*

Léon Boëllmann

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Garrett McWayne Bishop (June 8, 1958 - October 27, 2005) by Mom and Pop, Leannette and Kurt.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Maggie Paszek
Acolyte

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Pichowicz
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Sara Raper
Crucifer

Lakeside website: lakesidechurchrmt.org

Children's worship aids are available in the narthex.

Bibles and Wireless Hearing Aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex.

Childcare is available in the Preschool Building.

The paraments on the altar, pulpit, and lectern, along with the ministers' stoles, provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. Today is Reformation Sunday when we commemorate Dr. Martin Luther's posting of his Ninety-five Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany on October 31, 1517. Luther's call for an evaluation of Church doctrine led to the great rediscovery of the good news of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. The color of the day is red, a reminder of fire which symbolizes the Spirit of God, and of blood which symbolizes the life created and redeemed by God for which Christ and other martyrs of the faith have died. The Jerusalem Cross, comprised of one large cross surrounded by four smaller crosses, reminds us of the spread of the Gospel to the four corners of the earth. The Acolyte brings light to the altar as a reminder of Christ, the Light of life, and leads us out of the sanctuary as a reminder that we are to take this light to the world. In the same way, we begin and end our worship following the cross as a symbol of God's self-giving love for us all.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS

Worship bags are available in the narthex and have a variety of items that will help to make worship more meaningful for our children. Please return them to the narthex following worship.

TODAY AT LAKESIDE

4:15 p.m. Youth Set-up for Fall Festival, Robbins Hall and Education Building

5:00 p.m. Fall Festival, Robbins Hall and Education Building

7:00 p.m. Youth Clean-up

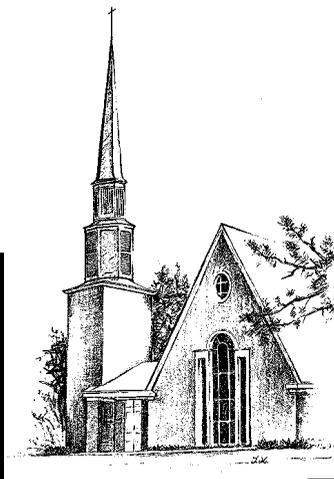
***Trinity Lutheran Church, 433 S. Winstead Avenue, invites you to a
Community Reformation Worship Service on Sunday, October 29, at 3:00 p.m.***

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. Members of Lakeside are persons on a journey of faith. Our church seeks to be a worshipping and serving community where the gospel of Jesus Christ is modeled and proclaimed.

Our church is Baptist by tradition and heritage, but in our worship and practice we seek to move beyond the label of a denomination to incorporate the richness of other Christian traditions. In our community service we support many ecumenical ministries that convey God's love beyond the lines of any denomination.

We receive members by affirmation of their faith or by transfer from other Christian churches. We honor the previous baptism of persons coming to Lakeside from other Christian denominations. If you are interested in knowing more about our church and its ministries, please fill out a guest card or speak to one of the ministers or members.



Worship at Lakeside

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