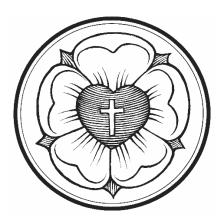
## The Festival of the Reformation (Observed)

October 27,2024



# So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

(John 8:36 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

**The Lord's Supper** is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

#### The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace

"Wisdom is justified by her deeds" (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and "remain in the house forever" (John 8:35). For He is "a friend of tax collectors and sinners" (Matt. 11:19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel "to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people" (Rev. 14:6), "the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law" (Rom. 3:21), "that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Rom. 3:26). And by hearing the Gospel of Christ Jesus, "whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith" (Rom. 3:25), "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31–32).

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

**Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God** by Cassandra Tiro in thanksgiving for the protection and blessings that God has given her family.

**Plano Faith Lutheran Church's annual Jr. High Retreat** (5-8th grade) is scheduled for Saturday, November 2, from 9:30-4:00. Rev. Kurt Ulmer will be presenting on *The Lord's Prayer*. There will be a study, games, and lots of food. Come join us! Please sign up by October 30 by using this link: <u>https://LordsPrayer2024.eventbrite.com</u>

**Our Savior Lutheran Church, Rockwall** will celebrate the Ordination and Installation of Executive Director Jaime Gonzalez and the Installation of Deaconesses Fabiana Gonzalez and Maria Barron on November 3, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3003 Horizon, Rockwall, 75032. All are invited.

**Voters' Meeting** – Notice of Voters' Assembly on Sunday, November 17, during the Bible Class hour. If you are a voting member, please plan to attend; new members can take this opportunity to sign the Constitution and begin voting at the next meeting.

The Women of Wylie (WoW) are still collecting cereal for the Amazing Grace Food Pantry in Wylie. Cereal is the #1 item that the pantry needs and can't keep it on the shelves. Please continue to utilize the cereal collection box in the narthex for your contributions.

What is it like to serve on a short-term mission trip to Belize? The Revs. Micah Wildauer and Weston Wildauer (Micah's cousin), along with Beverly Wildauer (Micah's aunt), join the Coffee Hour podcast on KFUO to share their stories. Please click the following link to listen anytime. <u>https://www.kfuo.org/2024/10/16/coffee-hour-101624-short-termmission-to-belize/</u>

Lutheran Public Radio has produced YouTube videos of almost 50 hymns with text and music featuring the Lutheran Public Radio Choir. If you

would like to sing along or just enjoy sanctified background music, just <u>Click here!</u>

**Paths to Lutheranism Series**... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to stories of guests who have come to Lutheranism from Islam, Mormonism, Atheism, Agnosticism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Roman Catholicism, Pentecostalism and more. You'll find the series at <u>issuesetc.org/pathstolutheranism</u>.

#### **OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS**

**Genesis 1:1 – "In the beginning God created** …" Many studies report that atheism is on the rise in our culture. The appeal of atheism is in the denial of a Creator. If the world just happens to exist, and we are just accidents that arose out of a long process of random, directionless evolution, then we get to make our own rules, and nobody has any right to tell us otherwise. However, if there is a Creator, then obviously He would know best, and we would do best, to follow His commands. Of course, we Christians know this Creator very well, and we have seen not only His power and commands, but also His grace and mercy in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS**

SUNDAY	The Festival of the Reformation (observed)
	9:30 AM – Divine Service
10/27/24	11:15 AM – Sunday School Hour
Monday	St. Simon and St. Jude
TUESDAY	9:00 ам – Women's Bible Study
	3:00 рм – Adult Catechesis
WEDNESDAY	6:15 рм – Youth Catechesis
THURSDAY	Reformation Day
	10:30 AM – Men's Bible Study
FRIDAY	9:30 AM – Matins
	10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
	11:00 ам – Homeschool Group

SUNDAY	The Festival of All Saints
11/3/24	9:30 AM – Divine Service
	11:15 AM – Sunday School Hour

#### **PRAYERS**

- For all who serve in public safety as police officers, firefighters, and paramedics, that God would protect them, give them courage in danger and grant them wisdom as they perform their duties, especially Joshan Savage (police officer), Joe Krizan (firefighter and paramedic), Elisabeth Handgraaf (paramedic), Will McCrillis, Jonah Underwood (paramedics).
- Birthdays celebrated this week Xaiden Slade.
- Baptisms celebrated this week Sasha Starr.
- Wedding Anniversaries celebrated this week Pete and Ruth Kun.
- Dana Evans, Alissa's cousin, who is suffering from mouth cancer.
- Leah and Evie Savage as Leah will be induced on Monday and Evie is expected to need a great deal of special medical care.
- Brianna Mallon for protection of mother and child in pregnancy. (Psalm 139:13).
- The Traugott's nine-year-old grandson, Braydon, who underwent successful skin graft surgery to repair his eardrum.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Dony Reaves, Chris Purcell, Connie Kimber, Ken Lawrence, Ruth and Pete Kun, Tula Sheehan, Christina Null, Devin Jackson, Doug Drawe, Gary Sakko, Deanna, Dan Kosteff, Margie Best, Jill, Evie Savage, Timmy.
- Those struggling with other ongoing needs: Frank and Antonia, Matt, Michael.

#### Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – Brian Hendon Adult Bible Class – Pastor Ulmer Sunday School Superintendent – Amanda Curry 10/20/24 General Fund Offerings received: \$3,386 Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$33.00 Weekly budget needed: \$4,642.80; Budget year to date: deficit: -\$2,785.95 Calendar year to date: deficit: -\$11,900.06