## Sending

Benediction

**Sending Hymn** "The Church's One Foundation" #654

**Dismissal** Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week

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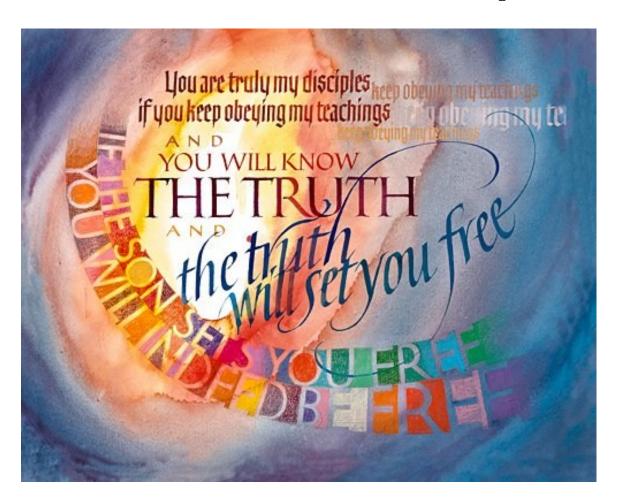
#### **God Invites Our Generosity**

Larry Goetze & Doug

10/19/25 Offering: \$1,042.00 Attendance: 57

# **Reformation Sunday**

October 26, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



## East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

## Gathering

## **Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.** Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Merciful and loving God, we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.** 

Gathering Hymn Kyrie & Glory to God "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

**#504** 

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## **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.

## Word

**Kid's Sermon** 

Special Music "River in Judea"

Choir

## First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

#### Psalm 46

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

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

Though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

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

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

#### Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?" page 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Allehuia.

#### The Holy Gospel John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice", vs. 1, 3 & 4 #594

Apostles' Creed page 105

**Sharing of the Peace** 

Offering "A Mighty Fortress" Pastor Bryant & Barb

Offertory Song "Create in Me a Clean Heart" #188

**Offering Prayer**—Let us pray together:

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayers of the People** Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.** 

The Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 154