



REFORMATION SUNDAY

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Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2020

Jon Pedersen, Pastor
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David Rhodes, Organist

Prelude

“*Ein Feste Burg Ist Unser Gott (A Mighty Fortress)*”

Arr. Max Reger

Opening Hymn:

“*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*”

ELW 503

Kyrie

L: ***God of Peace.*** We pray for the peace that comes from you: your peace for our broken world, your peace that brings well-being to your church, your peace that brings unity of all. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

O GOD OF MERCY, GOD OF LIGHT
(ELW #714)

*1. O God of mercy, God of light,
In love and mercy infinite,
Teach us, as ever in your sight,
To live our lives in you.*

L: ***God of Grace.*** We pray for our salvation. We pray for all our sisters and brothers who have gathered here today in order to worship. Pour out your grace and make us whole again. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*2. You sent your Son to die for all
That our lost world might hear your call;
Oh, hear us lest we stray and fall!
We rest our hope in you.*

L: ***God of Forgiveness.*** Create in us clean hearts. Put a new and right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*3. And may your Holy Spirit move
All those who live to live in love,
Till you receive in heav'n above
All those who live in you.*

Hymn of Praise:

“*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*” (Verse 1)

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.

Readings

First Reading: Romans 3:19-29

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For ‘no human being will be justified in his sight’ by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, irrespective of law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

