

Our Great Heritage

DFW Joint Reformation Service

Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church
Dallas, TX

29 October 2017

PRE-SERVICE: Salvation Unto Us Has Come
Brass quartet

INTROIT FOR REFORMATION¹
Sung by the Choir

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge
Therefore will we not fear though the earth be removed
And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea, of the sea.

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

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge
Therefore will we not fear though the earth be removed
And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea, of the sea.

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

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HYMN: CWS 753 - Father God of Grace, You Knew Us



All	1	Fa - ther, God of grace, you knew us,
Choir	2	We, your crea - tures, sinned a - gainst you,
Women	3	Coun - sel - or, you bring as prom - ised
Men	4	Lord, your change - less Word has fed us,
Choir	5	For - ward lead us; Christ, we fol - low,
All	6	Praise the Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor.

¹ Luther's service would have begun with an Introit - a setting of a psalm to be sung by choir or congregation.



Chose us, named us as your own,
And our guilt was crim - son red.
From the Fa - ther and the Son
Span - ning time, tran - scend - ing space.
Drawn by Word and prom - ise true:
Praise the Son, who took our place.



Through e - ter - nal a - ges plan - ning
Son of God, you came in - car - nate,
Right - eous - ness ful - filled, ac - com - plished,
Wa - ter, bread, and wine sus - tained us
"To all na - tions preach the gos - pel;
Praise the Spir - it, Sanc - ti - fi - er,



To re - deem us in your Son.
Crushed the craft - y ser - pent's head,
Free for - give - ness, heav - en won.
When the dark - ness hid your face,
I am ev - er - more with you."
God of free and faith - ful grace!



Praise the Fa - ther, God who loved us
Died our death, now live tri - um - phant:
Praise the Spir - it! He as - sures us
Keep us with you, faith - ful Shep - herd,
Keep us faith - ful! Then, Lord Je - sus,
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Ere cre - a - tion was be - gun!
Praise the first - born from the dead!
Our sal - va - tion's work is done!
By your sav - ing means of grace!
Quick - ly come! Make all things new!
Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

M: When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said, “Repent,” he willed the entire life of believers to be one of repentance. *Thesis 1*

*Lector: Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
According to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.*

C: Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin. *Psalm 51:1-2*

M: Those who believe that they can be certain of their salvation because they have indulgence letters will be eternally condemned, together with their teachers. *Thesis 32*

L: All who rely on observing the law are under a curse, for it is written:

C: “Cursed is everyone who does not continue
to do everything written in the Book of the Law.” *Galatians 3:10*

M: Any truly repentant Christian has a right to full remission of penalty and guilt, even without indulgence letters. *Thesis 36*

*L: Praise the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits—
who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases.
He does not treat us as our sins deserve,
or repay us according to his iniquities.*

C: For as far as the east is from the west,
So far has he removed our transgressions from us. *Psalm 103:2,3,10,12*

M: Any true Christian, whether living or dead, participates in all the blessings of Christ and the church. This is given to him by God, even without indulgence letters. *Thesis 37*

- L: A righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.*
- C: There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.** *Romans 3:21-24*
- M:** It is vain to trust in salvation by indulgence letters, even though the one selling indulgences, or even the pope, were to offer his soul as security.
Thesis 52
- L: Even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you,*
- C: Let him be eternally condemned!** *Galatians 1:8*
- M:** The true treasure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and grace of God.
Thesis 62
- L: Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.*
- C: And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.** *Romans 5:1-2*
- M:** Christians should be exhorted to be diligent in following Christ, their head, through penalties, death, and hell, and thus be confident of entering into heaven through many tribulations rather than through the false security of peace.
Theses 94 & 95
- L: Rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.*
- C: To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.** *1 Peter 4:13 & 5:10-11*

KYRIE – LORD, HAVE MERCY²

M: O God our Heavenly Father, you created all things and preserve all things.
You abound in love and mercy. Hear us as we cry to you:

C: **Lord, have mercy!**

M: O Christ our King, only Son of God, you came to bring salvation to all people.
You are seated as our Mediator at the right hand of the Father, and intercede
for us as we pray:

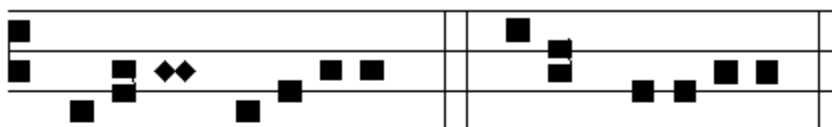
C: **Christ, have mercy!**

M: O God the Holy Ghost, guard that gift which we most need: our faith.
Strengthen us now and in the last hour of our lives, that we do not lose your
promised blessings.

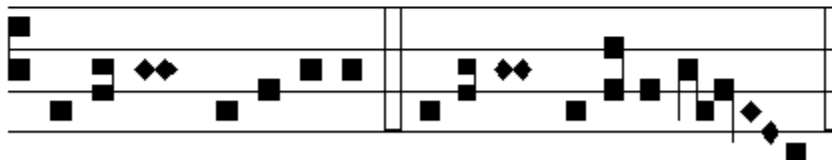
C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Give us gladness and grant us peace as we pray to you.

C: **Amen.**



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² Luther's original design for the German Service employed a very simple setting of the Kyrie. (Many may remember it from TLH p. 5). By 1541, Lutherans had an expanded form of the "Lord Have Mercy" in the hymn "Kyrie, Gott Vater." Here is a spoken adaptation of that hymn.

GLORIA³ - CW 262 verses 2-5 - All Glory be to God Alone

³ Luther would have originally included the Gloria only the Latin service. As more and more vernacular settings

Gloria in Excelsis



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, For -
2 We praise you, God, and you we bless; We
3 Lord God, our King on heav - en's throne, Our
4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; Have
5 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One; O'er



ev - er - more the high - est one, Who did our
wor - ship you in hum - ble - ness; From day to
Fa - ther, the Al - might - y One; O Lord, the
mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray. You take the
all things you are Lord a - lone. O Je - sus



sin - ful race be - friend And grace and peace to
day we glo - ri - fy The ev - er - last - ing
Sole - be - got - ten One, Lord Je - sus Christ, the
whole world's sin a - way; Oh, lis - ten to the
Christ, we glo - ri - fy You and the Spir - it,



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good
God on high. Of your great glo - ry do we
Fa - ther's Son, True God from all e - ter - ni -
prayer we say. From God's right hand, oh, send to -
Lord most high; With him you ev - er - more shall



will All hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.
sing, And to your throne our thanks we bring.
ty, O Lamb of God— to you we flee.
day Your mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
be One in the Fa - ther's maj - es - ty.

Text: attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.

Tune: ALL EHR UND LOB (88 88 88) *Gesangbuch . . . Psalmen, Geistliche Lieder*, Strassburg, 1541, alt.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Let us pray:

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. ²⁰ Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin. ²¹ But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. ²² This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. ²⁵ God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— ²⁶ he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus. ²⁷ Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. ²⁸ For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

HYMN: By Faith

The children will sing verses 1-3 and the first chorus.

The congregation is invited to sing verses 4 and 5, along with the chorus.

1. By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design,
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.
2. By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts,
Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
A place where peace and justice reign.

Chorus: **We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.**

3. By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.
4. **By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth.**

Chorus:

5. **By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the Gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name.**

Chorus:

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend

GOSPEL: John 17:6-19

⁶“I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸ For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. ¹³ “I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. ¹⁴ I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵ My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY:⁴ My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

CHOIR

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

ALL WOMEN

2. When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

ALL MEN

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood sustain me in the raging flood;
When all supports are washed away, He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne! On
Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand. Amen!

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SERMON - Romans 1:16-17

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

CREED⁵

⁴ The first Lutheran hymnal was published in 1524 and contained only eight hymns. Luther would continue to plead with poets and composers throughout Germany to produce singable hymns with clear gospel content.

1. I believe in God the Father,
Maker of the heav'ns and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, Our Savior,
God's own Son, of human birth.
Virgin-born, the Lord's incarnate,
Whom the Spirit did conceive,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate;
Our salvation to achieve.
2. Crucified, was dead and buried,
Down to hell in victory;
From the dead he rose the third day;
Up to heav'n triumphantly.
There at God's right hand he's ruling,
By his will the world is led.
He will come to judge the nations,
Both the living and the dead.
3. I believe in God the Spirit,
In his church, his chosen band.
They are joined in close communion,
Holy in his sight they stand.
I believe in sin forgiven;
That the dead will rise again;
I believe in life eternal.
Amen! And again, Amen!

Text: Mark Bitter; Tune: Hymn to Joy; Setting: CW 169

OFFERING

⁵ Many of the hymns Luther wrote had a catechetical purpose for them. They were especially for children. He wanted to teach the faith through song.

THE SACRAMENT⁶

M: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ: as we gather to celebrate the Testament of our Lord, I admonish you to take to heart the words of Christ by which he imparted to us his body and blood for the remission of our sins. Let us remember and give thanks for his boundless love which he proved to us when he redeemed us from God's wrath, from sin, death, and hell by his own precious blood. Let us faithfully confess that in this bread and wine – which is his body and his blood – we receive the pledge and guarantee of his forgiveness. In his name, therefore, and according to the command that he gave, let us use and receive this Sacrament.

M: Let us pray: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

M: By his incarnation, he became one with us.

C: **By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.**

M: By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

C: **By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.**

M: Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

⁶ Instead of the Preface which would have been familiar from the Latin service, Luther recommended an admonition such as this to prepare communicants. In Luther's day, the bread would have been distributed separately, directly after each of the words of institution were spoken.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread: and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION

In his word, God makes it clear that Holy Communion is to be shared by people of a common proclamation of faith (1 Corinthians 11:26, 1 Corinthians 10:16). So without judging anyone's hearts, we invite those who share in our confession by their membership in our congregation or one of our sister congregations (WELS or ELS), and who are properly prepared (1 Corinthians 11:27), to receive the Sacrament.



CHOIR ANTHEM – Be still and know.

Words and Music by Steven Curtis Chapman, Arranged by Tom Fettke.

Be still and know that he is God.
Be still and know that he is holy.
Be still O restless soul of mine.
Bow before the Prince of Peace.
Let the noise and clamor cease.

Be still and know that he is God.
Be still and know that he is faithful.
Consider all that he has done;
Stand in awe and be amazed
And know that he will never change. Be Still.

Be still and know that he is God.
Be still, be speechless.

Be still and know that he is God.
Be still and know that he is our Father.
Come rest your head upon his breast,
Listen to the rhythm of his unfailing heart of love;
Beating for his little ones, Calling each of us to come. Be still.

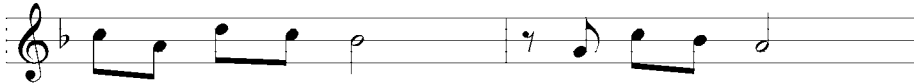
Be still
and know
that I am
God
-PSALM 46:10

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

What Is This Bread?



1	What	is	this	bread?	Christ's	bod - y
2	What	is	this	wine?	The	blood of
3	So	who	am	I,	That	I should
4	Yet	is	God	here?	Oh,	yes! By
5	Is	this	for	me?	I	am for -



ris - en	from	the	dead:	This	bread	we	break.
Je - sus	shed	for	mine;	The	cup	of	grace
live	and	he	should	die	Un - der	the	rod?
Word	and	prom - ise	clear.	In	mouth	and	soul
giv - en	and	set	free!	I	do	be - lieve	



This	life	we	take	Was	crushed	to	pay	for	our	re -
Brings	his	em - brace		Of	life	and	love	un - til	I	
My	God,	my	God,	Why	have	you	not	for - sak - en		
He	makes	us	whole -	Christ,	tru - ly	pre - sent	in	this		
That	I	re - ceive		His	ver - y	bod - y	and	his		



lease.	Oh,	taste	and	see -	the	Lord	is	peace.
sing!	Oh,	taste	and	see -	the	Lord	is	King.
me?	Oh,	taste	and	see -	the	Lord	is	free.
meal.	Oh,	taste	and	see -	the	Lord	is	real.
blood.	Oh,	taste	and	see -	the	Lord	is	good.

This hymn nicely summarizes Martin Luther's fine discussion on the institution and blessings of Holy Communion as outlined in his Small Catechism.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: CW 313 – Jesus Christ, our Blessed Savior

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: CW 317 – O Lord, We Praise You

PRAYER

M: We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed our faith by this holy meal and Sacrament. By your grace, use it to strengthen our faith in you and our love toward one another. All these things we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN - A Mighty Fortress

The congregation is invited to sing verses 1,2 and 4.

The choir will sing verse 3.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther

Michael D. Costello

1. A might - y for - tress is _____ our God a
 2. With might of ours can naught _____ be done; soon
 Choir: Though Dev - ils all the world _____ should fill, all
 4. The Word they still shall let _____ re - main, nor

3
 trust - y shield and weap - on; he helps us free from ev -
 were our loss ef - fect _____ ed. But for us fights the val -
 ea - ger to de - vour _____ us, we trem - ble not we fear
 an - y thanks have for _____ it; he's by our side up - on

6
 - 'ry need that has us now o'er - tak _____ en. The
 - iant one whom God him - self e - lect _____ ed. You
 _____ no ill; they shall o - ver pow'r _____ us. The
 _____ the plain with his good gifts and Spir _____ it. And

9
 old _____ e _____ vil foe now means dead - ly
 ask, _____ "Who _____ is this?" Je - sus Christ it
 world's _____ prince _____ may still scowl fierce as he
 take _____ they _____ our life, goods, fame, child, or

12
 woe; deep guile and great might are his dread arms in
 is, the al - might - y Lord. And there's no oth - er
 will, he can harm us none. He's judged the deed is
 wife, though all may be gone, our vic - to - ry is

16
 fight; on earth is not his e _____ qual.
 God; he holds the field for - ev _____ er.
 done! One lit - tle word can fell _____ him.
 won; the king - dom's ours for - ev _____ er!

THANK YOU!!

Thank you to all who assisted and lead us in worship this evening. Thank you to the directors, musicians, choirs – to all who worked so hard to edify our worship and to glorify our God. We are grateful that you have chosen to put your talents to use in the worship of our Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Thank you to Pastor Wade Johnston, who served us with God’s Word today. We are thankful for his message from your lips.

Thank you to Calvary Lutheran and to her pastor, Pastor John Koelpin, who hosted us today and has welcomed us with open arms so that we may celebrate the Reformation together in this joint worship service and time of fellowship.

You are welcome to remain for a meal and for a time of fellowship following the service.

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