#### Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

October 27, 2024 9:45 a.m.

Reformation Sunday

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Carla Knobler, Int. Assoc. Pastor Larry Peterson, Director of Worship & Music **P** = Pastor **G** = All **L** = Leader

### PRELUDE: WHO YOU SAY I AM

# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

### **OPENING SONG:** IN CHRIST ALONE

### **① PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**L** Let us pray.

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.

**G** Amen.

READINGS: Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28<sub>see insert</sub>

☆ GOSPEL: John 8:31-36<sub>see insert</sub>

SERMON Pastor Carla Knobler

**① SONG OF THE DAY:** A MIGHTY FORTRESS

### **OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH:** THE APOSTLES' CREED

# PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "God of grace," please respond, **"Hear our prayer."** When the prayers conclude, please respond, "**Amen.** 

# OFFERING

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We acknowledge that you may have given Online or through the mail. Thank you.



# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

• 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; Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING COMMUNION AT CHURCH or at home with your household COMMUNION SONG: RESTORE MY SOUL

#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & God all mighty BENEDICTION

 God all mighty, God most merciful
+ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

**C** Amen.

### SENDING SONG: A MILLION SAINTS

### DISMISSAL

■ Go in peace. Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

#### THE LESSONS Sunday, October 27

#### FIRST READING Psalm 46

**L** The first reading is Psalm 46. The congregation speaks the verses in **BOLD** print.

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. <sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea; <sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult. <sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. <sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day. <sup>6</sup>The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away. <sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. <sup>8</sup>Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth; <sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire. <sup>10</sup>"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth." <sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

#### SECOND READING Romans 3:19-28

**L** The second reading is from Romans, the 3rd chapter.

<sup>19</sup>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. <sup>20</sup>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.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>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; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

**L** The Word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God

Gospel on the back.

#### GOSPEL John 8:31-36

▶ The Holy Gospel according to John, the 8th chapter.

#### **G** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P The Gospel of the Lord.C Praise to you, O Christ.