Palmetto Road Outdoor Service



Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church
Peachtree City, Georgia
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Reformation Sunday

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P = Pastor C = All L = Leader

PRELUDE: ***BROTHER LOVE'S TRAVELING SALVATION SHOW***

~Please be seated~

WELCOME

⇧ **OPENING SONG:** ***CHURCH MUSIC***

⇧ **OPENING DIALOGUE**

L Jesus said to those who believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples."

C **We come ready to listen and to grow. Teach us, Lord, to live in your truth and follow your way.**

L The truth of Christ breaks the chains of fear, guilt, and everything that holds us back.

C **We find freedom, hope, and a new beginning in Jesus. We are more than our mistakes, our struggles, or our past.**

L In Christ, we are children of God, loved and set free.

C **In Christ, we are free indeed! We open our hearts to praise and thank Christ our Redeemer, who leads us from captivity into the glorious freedom of God's children!**

⇧ **SONG OF PRAISE:** ***BE PRAISED***

~Please be seated~

READING: Romans 3:19-28 *see insert*

⇧ **GOSPEL: John 8:31-36** *see insert*

SERMON Pastor Fritz

⇧ **SONG OF THE DAY:** ***WHO YOU SAY I AM***

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

~Please be seated~

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

OFFERING: ***ALL MY HOPE***
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We acknowledge that you may have given Online or through the mail. Thank you.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C **Gracious God, we bring these gifts before you today with hearts full of gratitude. We know all good things come from Your hand. Please bless this offering and use it to bring shelter, comfort, and hope to those who need it most. Amen.**

⇧ **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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

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; 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: ***LOOK TO THE LAMB***

⇧ **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

P The God of hope,
love and grace ✢
grant you strength and joy,
now and forever.

C **Amen.**

⇧ **SENDING SONG:** ***A MIGHTY FORTRESS***

DISMISSAL

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

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH, Oct 25, 2026 - Reformation Sunday (Contemp.)

READER: Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

[A brief silence.]

READER: As we celebrate Reformation Sunday, we remember the witness of Martin Luther and the reformers of the church in every generation. Empower us to continue the work of reform and renewal in our own day.

Hear us, O God, ALL: YOUR MERCY IS GREAT.

ALL: SPIRIT LEAD ME . . . YOU WOULD CALL ME

READER: God of justice and mercy, guide all who serve in the criminal justice system with wisdom and discernment. Bring courage and peace to prisoners and the formerly incarcerated, healing to those harmed by the church, and relief to all who are sick or suffering.

Hear us, O God, ALL: YOUR MERCY IS GREAT.

ALL: TAKE ME DEEPER . . . PRESENCE OF MY SAVIOR

READER: God of grace, encourage those exploring or returning to faith, that they may find hope in you. We give thanks for the disciples who paved the way before us and remember with love all who have died.

Hear us, O God, ALL: YOUR MERCY IS GREAT.

ALL: SPIRIT LEAD ME . . . YOU WOULD CALL ME

PASTOR: Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: AMEN.

ALL: TAKE ME DEEPER
THAN MY FEET COULD EVER WANDER
AND MY FAITH WILL BE MADE STRONGER
IN THE PRESENCE OF MY SAVIOR

I WILL CALL UPON YOUR NAME
KEEP MY EYES ABOVE THE WAVES
MY SOUL WILL REST IN YOUR EMBRACE
I AM YOURS AND YOU ARE MINE

The LYRICS
Sunday, October 25

Church Music

Verse 1
Well I always wondered
why Sunday morning
Didn't feel like Saturday night
What if all God's people
came locked and loaded
With joy jumping in their eyes

Pre-Chorus 1
Can I get a little volume
Can I get an amen
Can I get a hallelujah
Let the choir begin

Chorus
Free my soul Free my soul
Take me to the land
where the milk and honey flow
Take me there Lord I want to go
What if church music
felt like rock 'n roll

Verse 2
Just imagine if Jesus
got behind the drums
You better believe
it would make you move
Everybody jumping
up and down the aisle
Revival breaking out in this room

Pre-Chorus 2
Can I get a little guitar
Can I get a little bass
Can I get a little tambourine
Up in this place
Can I get a little dancing
Somebody get free
'Cuz who the son sets free
is free indeed

Chorus

Bridge
Holy Ghost fire taking me higher
Higher than I've ever been
Come and meet Jesus
come and find freedom
Come and get born again
It's not about the music
I know He can use it
To make me jump out of my skin

Chorus

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Be Praised

Chorus
From the rising of the sun
To the going down of the same
Let the name of the Lord be praised
Both now and forevermore
All of heaven and earth proclaim
Let the name of the Lord be praised

Verse 1
Come now all you children
Open up your eyes
Where two or more are gathered
His presence will abide
Lift your voice to heaven
There's only one to glorify Jesus Christ

Chorus

Verse 2
Come now all you sinners
Lay your burdens down
At the feet of Jesus
Where mercy can be found
In beautiful surrender
We're singing here on holy ground
How sweet the sound

Chorus

Bridge
Be praised King Jesus
Be praised for your goodness
For all that you've done be praised
Be praised in the highest
Be praised for your kindness
Let the name of the Lord be praised

Chorus

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Who You Say I Am

Verse 1
Who am I that the highest king
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

Chorus 1
Who the Son sets free is free indeed
I'm a child of God yes I am

Verse 2
Free at last He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me yes He died for me

Chorus 1

Who You Say I Am (cont.)

Chorus 2
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God yes I am

Bridge - 2x
I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

Chorus 1

Chorus 2 - 2x

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Verse 1
A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and power are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Verse 2
And though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The Prince of Darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

Verse 3
That word above all earthly powers
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

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The Lessons
Sunday, October 25

Reading: Romans 3:19-28

L Today's reading is from Romans, the 3rd chapter.

19Now 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. 20For no
human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes
the knowledge of sin.

21But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested
by the Law and the Prophets, 22the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for
all who believe. For there is no distinction, 23since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of
God; 24they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ
Jesus, 25whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through
faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had
passed over the sins previously committed; 26it was to demonstrate at the present time his own
righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

27Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of
works? No, rather through the law of faith. 28For we hold that a person is justified by faith
apart from works prescribed by the law.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: John 8:31-36

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

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

31Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my
disciples, 32and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 33They 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'?"

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**