

## **PRELUDE**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "A Mighty Fortress " ELW #504  
(\*Please stand as you are able)

## **\*LITANY FOR AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

Leader: Today we gather in the name of God our Creator, Jesus our Savior, and the Holy Spirit our comforter.

**All: We come to worship God and give thanks for the special gifts we enjoy.**

L: In response to the love of God, together with instruction in the Christian faith, the students before you wish to publicly affirm their baptismal promises.

**All: We rejoice in your desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of the Christian community and its mission in the world.**

## **CONFESSION**

Let us pray: **Eternal God, we pray you will listen as we confess our failures in love and friendship. We talk about such things as caring, community and concern, but instead show anger, hostility and greed. We talk about love, faith and hope, but instead show injustice, distrust and apathy. We talk about kindness, forgiveness and gentleness, but instead show hate, spite and selfishness. Forgive the sins of our fallen condition, the sins of our broken promises, and the sins we dare not name. In the name of Jesus who was crucified for sin, forgive us. Amen.**

## **FORGIVENESS**

Leader: This is how God shows love for us; Jesus came into the world that we might have life. This is what love is. It is not that we have loved God, but that God loves us and sent Jesus to be

the means by which our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God!  
Amen!

**CALL TO WORSHIP**      Senior Choir

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and confirm them in all temptations, defend them against all 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. **Amen**

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34**      *reader: Megan Brevik*

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. *The word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.*

**SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-8**      *reader: Caitlynn Ellison*

<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. *The word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.*

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (p. 205)

*Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word...*

**\*GOSPEL: John 8:31-36**

*reader: Gracie*

Anderson

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

*The Holy Gospel... 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."

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

**SERMON**  
HELGELAND

"IF YOU LIKE THE GIFT"

PASTOR MARK

**HYMN OF THE DAY** "Borning Cry" ELW # 732

**AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM** ELW p.234

## OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Those newly confirmed will commune first. After Confirmands commune, they will distribute Holy Communion to the rest of the congregation.*

#### ***Confirmands assisting with distribution:***

*Bread:* Megan Peterson, Kendal Rantanen; *Wine:* Dru Harbott, Edward Arett

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** Response: **Amen.**

**\*BLESSING** Response: **Amen.**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN** "O Jesus I Have Promised" ELW #810

**P:** Go in peace. The living Christ has set you free.

**C:** Free indeed!

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**HOLY COMMUNION** is offered at worship today. Those believing that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome to participate. Please tell the communion assistant if you prefer grape juice. Families are asked to use one

communion card, listing only names of those who receive communion.

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## Reformation Day – October 31, 2021

## Announcements

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**WELCOME!** ZION'S LAY MINISTRY/EVANGELISM BOARD SAYS A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU THIS

MORNING AND MAY YOU BE FED SPIRITUALLY DURING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP.

**OUR THANKS** TO TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

*Pianist:* Laura Rude

*Reader:* Confirmands

*Ushers:* Spears Family

*Acolytes:* Brianne Ellison, Lucas Rantanen

*Communion assistants:* Confirmands

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**OUR PRAYERS** to Delores Laliberte recovering at TRCC. Abbie Nomeland who was hospitalized, undergoing further tests.

**OUR SYMPATHY** to Pastor Ale on the death of his mother. A memorial service was held last week with his family.

**BROADCASTS** today are sponsored by Zion memorials

**ZION'S WEBSITE** for October is sponsored by Zion memorials

**REMINDER to those hospitalized** If you wish Pastor Mark to call, please let the office know.

**ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE** Sunday mornings you can listen to the 9:00AM service online. Go to: [www.ziontrf.org](http://www.ziontrf.org). in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

**RECOGNITION FOR Sandy Knutson, Parish Nurse** A recognition for her years of service will be held November 7th during coffee fellowship.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS** ends next Sunday. Remember to set your clock BACK one hour Saturday evening.

**BEREAVED PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS SUPPORT GROUP:** Are you a parent or grandparent of a child or grandchild of any age who has died? Would you be interested in support in dealing with your loss (doesn't have to be recent)? You are welcome to join us this group to offer you some support. Our next

meeting will be **Tuesday, November 16th, at 10:30 am** in the Lounge at Zion. Pastor Mark will be leading us. If you have questions, please call Marcia S. @ 681-6242.

**LWR QUILTING** the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays of the month 1- 4pm. Questions? call Sharon Bergerson 681-5445, or Renee Henney 964-5816

**LSS RESPITE CARE** - Thursdays, 9am-1pm in the Lounge. For more info contact Julie Praska Moser at 218-686-6229

**LSS CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP** will meet on Thursday, November 11th from 10-11:00 AM at Zion. All caregivers are welcome, you do not need to register. Please spread the word to those who can benefit from this group. More info Julie Praska Moser 218-686-6228

**SPIRIT OF GIVING** from 8:00-12:00 on Saturday, December 4 - More info to follow

**STEWARDSHIP** (Envelopes/Vanco Electronic Giving/Silver Creek included in all totals)

October 18-24 income: \$ 2,912.

October 1-24 income: \$23,867.

Year to Date income Jan 1– October 24: \$255,971.

2021 budget \$353,032. / \$6,789. is needed per week to meet budgeted expenses.

Vanco Electronic Giving is available - forms are on the table by the office. You can also set up contributions thru Zion's website.

## **SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:**

### **Today - October 31: Reformation Day**

9:00 Worship at Zion/ **Confirmation Day**/ Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;

10-11 Sunday School

10:00 No Coffee fellowship today

10:30 Worship at Silver Creek

12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

### **Monday, Nov. 1:**

9 SAIL

Parish nurse by appt

**Tuesday, Nov. 2:**

9:30 Staff meeting  
12 noon Pastors Text Study  
BOARD MEETINGS

**Wednesday, Nov. 3:**

5:15 Confirmation supper  
6 Confirmation Classes  
6 God's Joy Choir  
7 Senior Choir

**Thursday, Nov. 4:**

9 SAIL  
9-1 LSS Respite care in lounge

**Friday, Nov. 5:**

7 Men's Breakfast at Biffs

**Saturday, Nov. 6: Daylight Savings Ends**

Turn clocks back one hour tonight

**Next Sunday, Nov. 7: All Saints Sunday**

9:00 Holy Communion Worship at Zion/Sunday School Sings/ Broadcast ch. 3;  
KTRF;  
10-11 Sunday School  
10:00 Coffee fellowship/ Recognition for Sandy Knutson, Parish Nurse  
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