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## **Augustana Lutheran Church of Hyde Park and Lutheran Campus Ministry**

**October 25, 2020**

### **Reformation Sunday Online Service**

Augustana is worshiping in-person every Sunday morning at 9:30. This will continue as long as Chicago remains in Phase Four of Illinois' reopening plan. There is no singing at our in-person services and all communal responses are in sign language, but the fellowship of our siblings in Christ is a balm to every weary soul.

If you would prefer to worship online, you can find the link to our YouTube worship channel [on our website](#). The video is available when in-person services begin, at 9:30am on Sunday mornings.



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.

For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## The Prayer of the Day

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Readings of the Day

A Reading from the Hebrew Bible, Jeremiah 31:31-34

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*defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.*

<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.



## Psalm 46

- <sup>1</sup>God is our ref- | uge 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 cit- | y 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.

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<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 ex- | alted in the earth.”

<sup>11</sup>The Lord of | hosts is with us;  
the God of | Jacob is our stronghold.

## A Reading from the Letters of Paul: Romans 3:19–28

*Paul’s words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ’s death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.*

<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 Holy Gospel according to John 8:31–36

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*word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.*

<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.”

**Hymn of the Day: ELW 503 - A Mighty Fortress is our God**

# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might!  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide,

a sword and shield vic - to - rious;  
 We would be lost, re - ject - ed.  
 all threat - 'ning to de - vour us,  
 no thanks to foes, who fear it;

he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod  
 But now a cham - pion comes to fight,  
 we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand;  
 for God him - self fights by our side

and wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.  
 whom God him - self e - lect - ed.  
 they can - not o - ver - pow'r us.  
 with weap - ons of the Spir - it.

The old e - vil foe, sworn to work us woe,  
 Ask who this may be: Lord of hosts is he!  
 This world's prince may rage, in fierce war en - gage.  
 If they take our house, goods, fame, child, or spouse,

with dread craft and might he arms him - self to fight.  
 Christ Je - sus our Lord, God's on - ly Son, a - dored.  
 He is doomed to fail; God's judg - ment must pre - vail!  
 wrench our life a - way, they can - not win the day.

On earth he has no c - qual.  
 He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther

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## In Our Prayers

Phil Hefner, hospitalized with an infection

Lydia Garcia, daughter of Sandy Henley, diagnosed with cancer

Neva Hefner, undergoing tests for possible breast cancer

Heva, from the HP Refugee Project, undergoing cancer treatment

Caleb Tompsett, grandson of Bill and Chris, undergoing chemotherapy

Floyd Rueger, friend of Padraig McGuire & Nancy Goede, undergoing chemotherapy

David Mueller, friend of Judy Merritt-Morgan, undergoing cancer treatment

Amy Dennis, friend of Shelley Barnard, beginning treatment for leukemia

Allison, friend of Richard Krull, diagnosed with ovarian cancer

Mark van Scharrel, husband of Pastor Julie Ryan, advanced cancer

Shelley Barnard, ongoing chemotherapy

Anu, Smitha Gunthoti's cousin, late-stage cancer

Melvin, friend of JoRachel Pierce, battling cancer

Kathy, friend of Robin Mitchell, hospitalized due to mental illness

Zoe Johnson, great-niece of JoRachel Pierce, abdominal surgery

Wilbur Hines, friend of Cassandra Guice, recovering from a surgery that went poorly

Carol Hollar, friend of Pat Chromy, in hospice, suffering from Alzheimer's disease

Paulette Williams, friend of JoRachel Pierce, hospitalized with respiratory problems

Fred Nielsen, brother-in-law of JoRachel Pierce, ongoing health concerns

Tenna Pierce, sister-in-law of JoRachel Pierce, respiratory problems

Edgar Guice, brother of Cassandra, ongoing heart problems

Victor Glover, brother-in-law of Cassandra Guice, heart issues

The homeless and those who are food insecure

Victims and survivors of domestic abuse

Those who struggle with substance abuse

Those who are in danger of fire or hurricanes

The families of those unjustly killed by law enforcement officers



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Other health care workers and researchers beloved by members of our community: Jefree Schulte, Deb Burnet, Kimi, Jenny, Ashley, Thomas, and Kevin Rist.

Please do not hesitate to [email the office](#) with any prayer requests that you would like included next week. Alternately, you can attend the Zoom prayer meeting at 2:00 on Saturday afternoon to lift up your prayers there.

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### Please share the peace and make an offering

Did you know that sharing the peace is meant to reconcile us before we share the Holy Supper? We can't do that in person right now, but we can the rest of the week. Please take time soon to call or email someone. It helps build community and keeps us strong.

At the end of worship, please remember to make an offering. The people we employ depend on your generosity during this difficult time. You can arrange an [ongoing electronic offering through our website](#). Setting up a free [PayPal](#) account allows you to make an offering of any size with a debit or credit card; the email address you need is [treasurer@augustanahydepark.org](mailto:treasurer@augustanahydepark.org). You can, of course, also send a check to Augustana, 5500 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, IL, 60637.

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While we all miss the beautiful interior of our beloved church, we can still enjoy nature's extravagant beautification of the exterior.









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