



Reformation

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church

We are happy to have you with us today! We are confident that you will be blessed by God's Word while you are here and pray that you will leave knowing the peace of His love and forgiveness.

THEME OF WORSHIP

We live in a world full of messaging. Whether on television, radio or social media, we are bombarded with countless messages on a daily basis. And these messages are here today and gone tomorrow. A topic may trend on social media for a few hours until the next hot topic comes along. A song will hit the top of the charts, but the artist may be quickly forgotten when the next big song is released. God's Word is different. It is the eternal gospel. The Word never changes. It is not here today and gone tomorrow. In this ever-changing world, God calls on us to stand firm on his Word and to put it first in our lives.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister

Seminarian Jacob Kieselhorst

Preacher

Pastor Collin Vanderhoof

Organist

Amy Balza, David Porth

Instrumentalists

Jon Balza, Keith Gennerman, Nathan Guevin,
Andrew Justman, Ben Klemp, Isaiah Klemp, Jonah Klemp,
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THE COMMON SERVICE

PRESERVICE

Reformation Suite

OPENING HYMN

Thy Strong Word | 280(1-4)

1:All, 2:Men, 3:Women, 4:All

1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank thee While thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!

2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of thy salvation, Breathed thine own life-giving breath.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!

3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hope confess.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!

4 From the cross thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth All thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Please stand

M: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, in this Reformation service God again delivers to us love and forgiveness, power to be his people, and resolve to share his precious gospel of forgiveness with all people.

C: We are not ashamed of the gospel.

M: ¹...you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ²in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air.... ⁴But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions – it is by grace you have been saved. (*Eph 2: 1,2,4,5*)

C: The gospel is the power of God for my salvation.

M: ⁴⁶[Jesus] told them, "This is what is written: the Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things." (*Luke 24:46-48*)

C: The gospel is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes.

M: [Jesus said,] "If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels." (*Mark 8:38*)

C: We are not ashamed of the gospel. We will testify about our Lord and his mighty deeds.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: Beloved in the Lord, we are not ashamed of the gospel. And yet sometimes we live and act as if we are ashamed. Let us repent of our sins, rejoice in the comfort of God's abundant pardon, and recommit ourselves to the tasks he gives us.

M: For apathy in our mission of proclaiming your Good News.

C: Lord, have mercy on us.

M: For taking your precious Word and Sacraments for granted.

C: Christ, have mercy on us.

M: For failure to advance your work with generous gifts of treasure, time, and talent.

C: Lord, have mercy on us.

Silence for reflection

M: Holy and merciful Father,

C: I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Thy Strong Word | 280(5-6)

5 Give us lips to sing thy glory, Tongues thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats to shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak thy holy name.
Alleluia! Alleluia! May the light which thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

6 God the Father, light-creator, To thee laud and honor be.
To thee, Light from Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

Please be seated

The Word

FIRST LESSON

Daniel 3:16-28

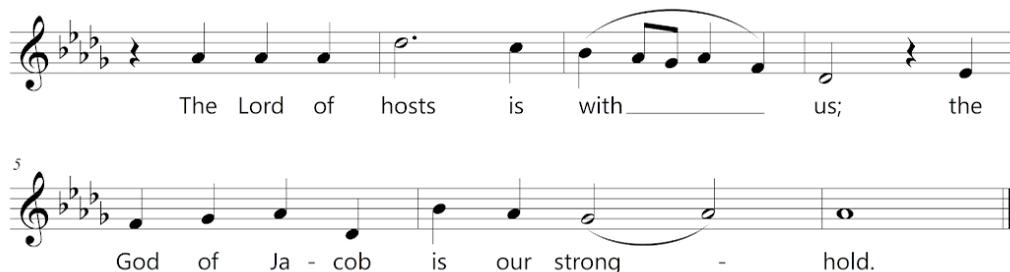
¹⁶ Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego answered King Nebuchadnezzar, "We have no need to answer you about this matter. ¹⁷ Since our God, whom we serve, does exist, he is able to save us from the blazing fiery furnace. So, he may save us from your hand, Your Majesty. ¹⁸ But if he does not, you should know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods, and we will not worship the golden statue that you set up." ¹⁹ Then Nebuchadnezzar was filled with rage, and the expression on his face changed against Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego. He said to heat the furnace seven times hotter than it was usually heated. ²⁰ He ordered some men, who were soldiers from his army, to bind Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego in order to throw them into the blazing fiery furnace. ²¹ So these men were bound in their coats, their pants, their turbans, and their other clothing, and they were thrown into the middle of the blazing fiery furnace. ²² Because the king's order was urgent and the furnace was extremely hot, those men who carried Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego were killed by the intense heat of the fire. ²³ But these three men, Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego, who had been tied up, fell into the blazing fiery furnace. ²⁴ Then King Nebuchadnezzar was startled and immediately stood up. He said to

his advisors, "Didn't we throw three men, who had been tied up, into the middle of the fire?" They answered the king, "Certainly, Your Majesty." ²⁵ He said, "Look! I see four men, who are untied and walking around in the middle of the fire, unharmed. What is more, the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods." ²⁶ Then Nebuchadnezzar approached the door of the blazing fiery furnace. He said, "Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out!" Then Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego came out from the middle of the furnace. ²⁷ The satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the royal advisors gathered together and looked at these men. The fire had no power over their bodies. Not a hair on their head was singed, their robes were not damaged, and the smell of fire had not stuck to them. ²⁸ Nebuchadnezzar said, "Blessed be the God of Shadrak, Meshak, and Abednego, who sent his angel and saved his servants, who trusted in God and ignored the king's command. They gave up their bodies and did not pay homage or worship any god except their God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 46

The choir will introduce the refrain, followed by the congregation. All verses sung by the choir.



The Lord of hosts is with us; the
 5 God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
 And though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;
 Though its waters rage and foam,
 And though the mountains tremble with its tumult

Refrain

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
 The holy habitation of the Most High.
 God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
 God shall help it at the break of day.
 The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
 God speaks, and the earth melts away.

Refrain

Come now, regard the works of the Lord,
What desolations God has brought upon the earth;
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.
"Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations:
I will be exalted in the earth"

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying in the middle of the sky. He had the everlasting gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth, to every nation, tribe, language, and people. ⁷ He said with a loud voice: Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the sky, the earth, the sea, and the springs of water.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Spoken in unison

Alleluia. Not to us Lord but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mark 13:5-11



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

Jesus began by telling them, "Be careful that no one deceives you. ⁶ Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and will deceive many. ⁷ "Whenever you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be troubled. Such things must happen, but the end is not yet. ⁸ In fact, nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines. These are the beginning of birth pains. ⁹ But be on your guard! People will hand you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues. You will stand in the presence of rulers and kings for my sake as a witness to them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations. ¹¹ Whenever they arrest you and hand you over, do not worry beforehand what you should say. Say whatever is given to you in that hour, because you will not be the ones speaking; instead it will be the Holy Spirit.

M: The Gospel of the Lord



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated

HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God | 200(1-4)

The Choir will sing stanza three

1 A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That has us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.

2 With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our loss effected.
But for us fights the valiant one Whom God himself elected.
You ask, "Who is this?" Jesus Christ it is,
The almighty Lord. And there's no other God;
He holds the field forever.

*3 Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done!
One little word can fell him.*

Please stand

4 The Word they still shall let remain, Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With his good gifts and Spirit.
And do what they will—Hate, steal, hurt, or kill—
Though all may be gone, Our victory is won;
The kingdom's ours forever!

SERMON

Please stand



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING

The Offering Plate is available on the shelf as you leave. If you wish to give an electronic offering, we have provided a QR code at the end of this worship folder.

You can also go to pilgrimcares.org/giving to give your offerings online.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

With explanation by Martin Luther

M: I invite you to lift up your hearts to God and pray as Christ our Lord taught us.

C: **Our Father in heaven**

M: With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that he is our true Father and that we are his true children, so that we may pray to him as boldly and confidently as dear children ask their dear father.

C: **Hallowed be your name**

M: God's name is certainly holy by itself, but we pray in this petition that we too may keep it holy.

C: Your kingdom come.

M: God's kingdom certainly comes by itself even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may also come to us.

C: Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

M: God's good and gracious will certainly is done without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

C: Give us today our daily bread.

M: God surely gives daily bread without our asking, even to all the wicked, but we pray in this petition that he would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

C: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

M: We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins or because of them deny our prayers; for we are worthy of none of the things for which we ask, neither have we deserved them, but we ask that he would give them all to us by grace; for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will forgive from the heart and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

C: Lead us not into temptation.

M: God surely tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us, so that the devil, the world, and our flesh may not deceive us or lead us into false belief, despair, and other great and shameful sins; and though we are tempted by them, we pray that we may overcome and win the victory.

C: But deliver us from evil.

M: In conclusion we pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would deliver us from every evil that threatens body and soul, property and reputation, and finally when our last hour comes, grant us a blessed end and graciously take us from this world of sorrow to himself in heaven.

C: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

M: We can be sure that these petitions are acceptable to our Father in heaven and are heard by him, for he himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Therefore we say, "Amen," "Yes, it shall be so."

Please be seated

HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word | 203(1-3)

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would seek to overthrow your Son
And to destroy what he has done.

2 Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known,
For you are Lord of lords alone;
Defend your Christendom that we
May sing your praise eternally.

3 O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth.
Support us in our final strife,
And lead us out of death to life.

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

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: A - men. A - men. A - men.

CLOSING HYMN

God's Word Is Our Great Heritage | 293

God's Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way;
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations.



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News N Notes

Everyone Outreach Preview! Please join us in the sanctuary between services on October 31 for a preview of an exciting outreach workshop we'll be hosting in spring! We want as much member participation as possible, so please mark down your calendars for this event on Saturday morning, March 19th, and Sunday afternoon on March 20th.

Trunk or Treat! Pilgrim will be hosting a Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 31 from 5:30p.m.-7:30p.m, and all are welcome! There's still space for more trunks! If you want to get involved, please contact reaching@pilgrimcares.org. Thank you!

Advent by Candlelight Is Back! And it's less than a month away! This special event for Pilgrim's women and girls (8th grade and up) and their guests will be held in the gathering space at school on Sunday evening, November 28. (That's the Sunday after Thanksgiving.) It begins at 6:00 and lasts until about 8:00. This year's program is called "Jesus Was Born to Be the Savior." Inviting your friends and relatives to join you will spread the good news of the Savior to more people. This is a great way to share your faith. We will use disposable tablecloths, napkins, dessert plates, flatware, and drinkware, so hostesses will only be asked to provide centerpieces and candles for our round tables. Desserts will be served buffet-style. Simply write your name and the names of your guests on the attendance list. We will have open seating, but we do need to know how many will be coming. Please also volunteer to be a hostess (we'll need 10-16) or bring a dessert (we'll need at least 12). Sign-up sheets are by the display board in the church entryway. So, please read the display board, put the date on your calendar, sign up to help, and sign up to attend. It will be a wonderful evening.

Men's Basketball Sunday Nights Anyone 18 or older is invited to play men's basketball on Sunday nights. We start at 7:30pm and play until about 9:00pm. This is open-gym style basketball for fellowship, exercise, and fun. Contact Andy Steeno 414.708.1815 or Kevin Klug 920.253.7688 if you have any questions.

Help Needed! We're planning to overhaul the basement fellowship hall and could use some help moving furniture and partitions. If you can help out, we're going to reorganize on Saturday, November 13th, starting at 8am. Let us know if you're able to help by emailing reaching@pilgrimcares.org.

The Helping 5- The women's book club is sponsoring donations for Northside Lutheran Ministries throughout the month of October. Suggested donations include: paper plates, plastic silverware, paper towels, toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, body wash/soap, toothpaste/toothbrushes, reading glasses. Please bring your donation to book club or to church and place in The Helping 5 tote. The Helping 5 is a monthly service project focusing on donating items which cost less than 5\$ to those in need.

Hymn Sing On Thursday, Nov. 4, at 6:30pm, Divine Peace (3203 N. 76th St, Milwaukee) will host a Hymn Sing. This special event, led by guest organist David Porth, will be for the congregation and others to sing verses of their favorites hymns. There will also be an introductory and closing music piece that will showcase our organ. We will take hymn requests from the congregation and sing 1-2 verses of each hymn. Hymns can be from the Christian Worship hymnal or the Supplement. Come with a list of your favorites! Bring a friend! There will be light refreshments and fellowship after the Hymn Sing.

The Tabitha Society will meet on Thursday, November 4, at 1:30 p.m. in the conference room at school. We will welcome Peter Georgson, the executive director of WELS Lutherans for Life. The goal of this organization is to protect a child's right to live and be loved by loving moms and dads. All women of Pilgrim are invited to come and hear about this important work. The hostesses for this meeting are June Bitney and Joan Schmick.

Are you giving your weekly offerings electronically? Please remember to log in when you enter offerings electronically – it makes it much easier for our financial team!

Scrap-a-thon 30 on November 19 & 20. All crafts welcome. For more info and to register for a table please contact Nancy Abel at jabel4826@gmail.com or Pat Knack at bbox2go@yahoo.com. Scrap-a-thon will take place on Friday November 19, from 6-10pm, and Saturday, November 20 from 10am-10pm and the cause is always Pilgrim!

Ushers

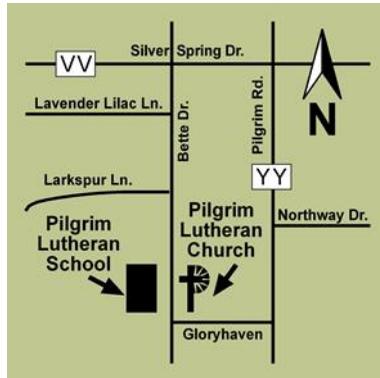
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11-7	Bob Schaenzer Noah Vanderhoof	Bryan Giesenschlag Dave Chmielewski

Greeters

10-31	Joel & Carol Bradtke	Bryan & Ellen Giesenschlag
11-7	Jim & Kathy Brandt	June Bitney & Delores Tessmer

Attendance

10-24	342
10-29	26



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