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Reformation Sunday, Year A

Sunday October 25, 2026

gathering

Prelude

Welcome

Confessions & Forgiveness — p. 94

Opening Hymn — A Mighty Fortress Is Our God — ELW 504

Greeting

Kyrie — p. 184

Prayer of the Day

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. Amen.

word

First Reading — Jeremiah 31:31-34

31 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. 32 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. 33 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. 34 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 — Psalm 46

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

Second Reading — Romans 3:19-28

19 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. 20 For no human will be justified
before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. 21 But now,
apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the
Prophets, 22 the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no
distinction, 23 since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; 24 they are now justified by his grace as
a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom 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; 26 it 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. 27 Then
what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the
law of faith. 28 For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Musical Message — *Built on the Rock, arranged by Larry Schackley* — Rachel Leiseth, trumpet

Holy Gospel — John 8:31-36

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

A: Glory to you, O Lord.

31 Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32
and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 33 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'?"
34 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does
not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. 36 So if the Son makes you
free, you will be free indeed."

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

A: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon — Pastor Cassie Anderson

Hymn of the Day — Let Streams of Living Justice — ELW 710

Affirmation of Baptism — p. 235

Hadley England & Joselyn Korbl

L: Let us rejoice with these sisters in Christ

A**: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

Sharing of the Peace

meal

Offering

Music during Offering — *Eternal Father, Strong to Save, arranged by Marty Parks* — Rachel Leiseth, trumpet

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution

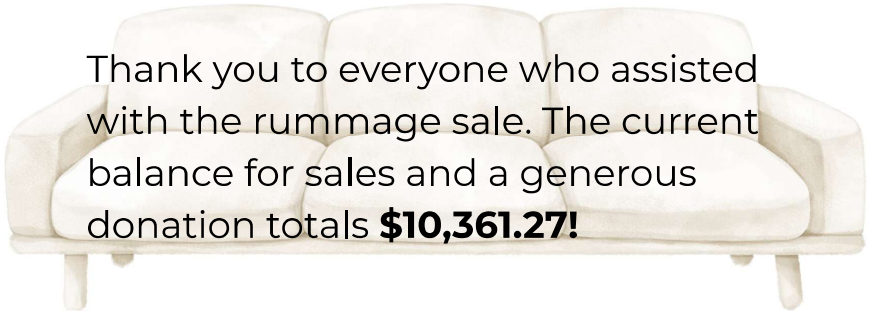
Lord's Prayer

Distribution of Communion
Music During Distribution
Prayer after Communion

sending

Announcements
Blessing
Sending Hymn — Thy Strong Word — ELW 511
Dismissal

L: Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.
A: Thanks be to God!



Thank you to everyone who assisted with the rummage sale. The current balance for sales and a generous donation totals **$10,361.27!**

In Worship Today

Senior Pastor: Cassie Anderson
Members & Guests of Peace
Ushers: Wonderful Volunteers
Altar Guild: Sharon Smithberg
Communion Servers:
Hadley England & Joselyn Korbl
Organist: Dr. Jean Hellner
Trumpet: Rachel Leiseth
Tech Support: Jeremy Thompson

Prayer List:

Maxine Kroke, Carol Middlestead, Maddison Williams, Kelsey Phinney, Curt & Marilyn Larsen, Sally Larsen, Marcella Hagen, Bryan Halvorson (brother of Joyce Snyder), Betty Neumiller (sister-in-law to Pam Neumiller), Arlene Kolrud, Bob Hilborn (son of Marian Hilborn), Terry Hanson, Rose Peterson, Larry Sisk, Marsha Grams, Chuck Sornsin, Courtney Simpson (daughter of Rita Slator), Edith Hitchcock (granddaughter of Rita Slator), Tillie Lawson (mother of Karen Peterson), Jay Haugen (nephew of Mike & Jan Haugen), Paul Halverson Family, Gordon Grant (brother of Barry Grant), Collette Ericson *To add someone or update the prayer list, call the church office.*

Holiday Food Baskets: With the month of December just around the corner, now is the time to begin planning for our holiday food baskets. If you know of any families or neighbors with a need for an extra meal this Christmas season, we will post request forms on the Social Ministry bulletin board and in the church office by November 5th. The request forms will require the family name, family size and contact information. We will be preparing 25 baskets this year. Our deadline to sign up is Wednesday, December 9th and the baskets will be available for distribution at the church on Sunday, December 13th and Monday, December 14th by appointment.
The basic items needed for each basket are listed below. More items will be added as donations become available.

- Turkey
- Potatoes – five pounds
- Stuffing mix – one box
- Green beans or corn – 2 cans
- Bread/buns
- Butter – one pound
- Baby Carrots – fresh, one small bag
- Halos – one bag
- Dessert – pumpkin pie ingredients or cake mix and canned frosting

It would be greatly appreciated if you would like to give to this mission at Peace Lutheran. A donation of cash towards the purchase of food items or providing the ingredients for the baskets would be very much appreciated. If you know what you would like to donate, please inform the church office where an up-to-date list of needed items will be kept. All frozen turkeys and non-perishable items may be delivered to the church starting the week of Thanksgiving and no later than Wednesday, December 9th. Starting the week of November 22nd, tables will be set up at the back of the Sanctuary for the collection of food basket items. All perishable items should be brought to the church by Wednesday, December 9th. If you have any questions regarding the food baskets, please contact Peace Lutheran Church at 701-232-7166 or office@fargopeace.org. Blessings to each of you as we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Living our Legacy

Monday October 26 @ 6pm

Are you wondering how to strategically give through your investments and retirement accounts?
Have you wished you could grow in your generosity (without growing your tax bill)?
Are you curious how your assets can make an impact to future generations?

Join us on October 26 at 6pm to learn more about strategic giving with representatives from Bell Bank (where our foundation dollars are managed)

We'll have a presentation, dessert, and time for questions & conversation.

RSVP on the clip-board in the entryway or by emailing the office.

All Saint's Sunday
Table of Remembrance
November 1

Remember the Saints in your life by bringing a **photo** of your loved one for our table to have displayed in worship.

- 5x7 or smaller preferred
- Framed photos preferred for ease of display, but can be unframed if needed
- multiple people can be in the photo
- bring to church early if needed, but bringing on All Saint's Sunday is preferred

United in Christ:

This Week at Peace

Sunday: Oct 25
- 9:00 am Sunday School
- 10:00 am worship w/Comm
- Confirmation Sunday
- *coffee by Youth*
- Meal at Crossroads

Monday: Oct 26
- 3:30 pm Piano Lessons
- 4-8:00 pm NDSU music
- 6:00 pm Living our Legacy

Tuesday: Oct 27
- 10am-12pm Food Shelf
- 3:00 pm Piano Lessons
- 4-8:00 pm NDSU music

Wednesday: Oct 28
- 10:00 am Bible Study
- 3:00 pm Piano Lessons
- 4-8:00 pm NDSU music
- 6:30 pm FiF & Confirmation
- 8:00 pm AA

Thursday: Oct 29
- 1:00 pm Fold Newsletters
- 3-5:00 pm Food Shelf
- 3:00 pm Piano Lessons
- 4-8:00 pm NDSU music
- 7:00 pm AA

Friday: Oct 30
- 3:00 pm Piano Lessons

Saturday: Oct 31

Sunday: Nov 1
- 9:00 am Sunday School
- 10:00 am worship w/Comm
- All Saints Day
- *coffee by Fellowship*
- Potluck

FALL Potluck
Sunday, November 1