

# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Reformation Day October 31, 2021 Worship 11:00 AM

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Videographer: Herman Seidemann Reader: Tom Kertes

Worship is live streamed on our Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/princerupertlutheran/">https://www.facebook.com/princerupertlutheran/</a>. You do not need a Facebook account to access worship.

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

## **Weekly Prayer Petitions**

**Local**: For all Communities of faith in Prince Rupert.

**Synod Parishes**: St. Peter's Estonian Lutheran in Vancouver, Peace Lutheran in Vernon, For pastors serving Anglican congregations

## Anglican/Lutheran Joint Prayers:

**ACC:** The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon E**LCIC**: The President, Faculty, Students and Staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon.

## **Discipleship Opportunities**

1. The Pastor is Public at Javadotcup Wednesdays from 9:30 - 11:30AM. We will be in-person and on Zoom for those who aren't able to join in person. You can Zoom by clicking the link below or by typing: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87222984486?pwd=OHFIcWZySkR1dHNpeklqMzU4RIJWUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87222984486?pwd=OHFIcWZySkR1dHNpeklqMzU4RIJWUT09</a>

Meeting ID: 872 2298 4486 Password: 263906

2. Next week is All Saints Sunday where we remember and honor those who have died in the past year. We are gathering a list of all of those folks who have been connected to the church or its members. Please contact the office (250-624-4164) to make sure that our list is complete.

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Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, whose love is endless.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter,

Like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

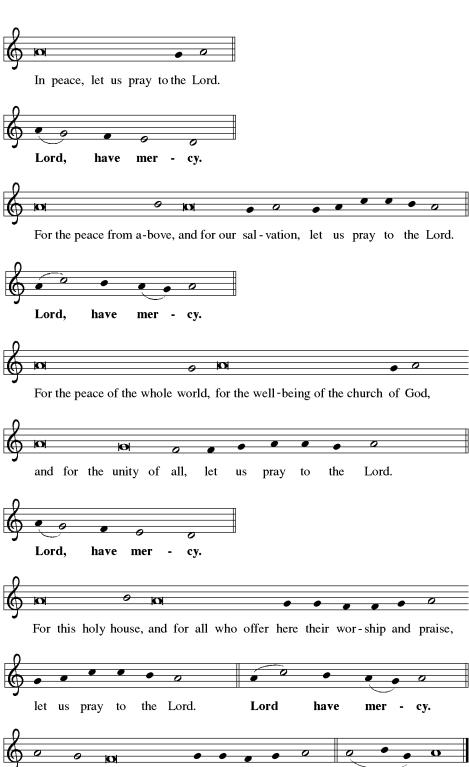
All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

#### Amen.



Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876 L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

Kyrie Pg. 147



L: Let us pray together our 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

men.

Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

# 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.

Our first reading is from Jeremiah, beginning at the 31st chapter

31:31-34

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. 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. 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. 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.

We read Psalm 46 responsively: (leader reads the light print, congregation reads the bold)

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.

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.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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."

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Our second reading is from Romans beginning at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter

3:19-28

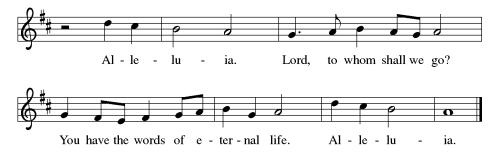
But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 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; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. 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.

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The holy gospel according to John, beginning at the 8th chapter **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

8:31-36

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

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

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Rev. Diana Edis

Hymn of the Day Rise O Sun of Righteousness No. 657 O Rise, Sun of with righ teous - ness: vour Rouse our hearts from slum ber deep; may your Gath - er in your scat tered flock; give us Burst the born pride; the bars of stub make the Hon or, praise, and glo be to ry might cre tion bless. Shine up - on your church to - day, pro - claim voic - es word with in us leap. Give to us wa - ter from the rock. Bless the u - ni ty we share heav'n-ly path way wide. Raise us up from and death sin i - ty! May your done: ho -Trin gra-cious will lv he show-ing all your gen - tle way. Have Lord. mer cy, prais - es your ho - ly name. Have Lord. су, Lord. shep - herd's lov - ing Have in our care. mer сy, with your - it's Spir liv ing breath. Have mer cy, Lord.

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make us

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We join with you and with the whole church in the confession of our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed. We confess:

you

are

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

Have

one.

Lord.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession: (petition response: L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.)

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offerings may be mailed to the church or placed in our locked mailbox.

In Canada you may send e-transfers to <a href="mailto:offering2stpauls@citywest.ca">offering2stpauls@citywest.ca</a>.

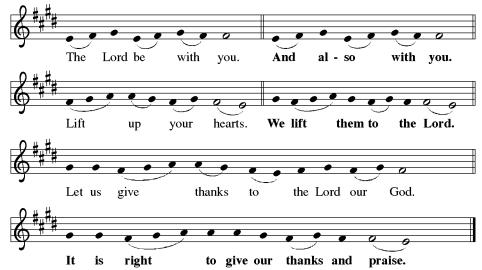
You may also give electronically through CanadaHelps at St. Paul's Lutheran, Prince Rupert or by using the "Donate" button on our church website.

## Let us pray,

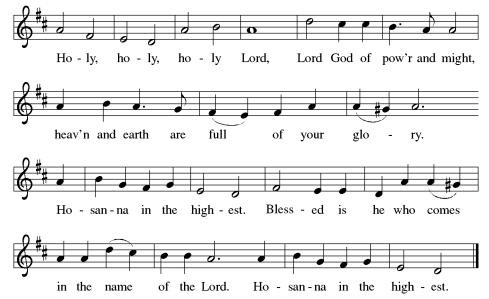
God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

We enter into a time of communion. All people are invited to join in God's meal. If you hear the call of the Holy Sprit inviting you, please respond. If you would like to learn more about communion you may call the church and speak with the pastor about the presence of Christ in this meal. You at home may prepare bread and wine or juice in advance of communion. You may wish to set up a small home altar for this purpose, using: a cross, a candle, an image of Christ (called an icon), and the bread and beverage if you feel so called. When the bread and beverage are offered by the pastor and you eat and drink you may respond, "Amen." Those worshipping online in the same household are encouraged to serve one another.



L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



L: Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

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.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world. Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

#### Amen.

L: Gathered into one across time and space by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using whatever version of that prayer comforts you. We pray:

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.

L: If the Holy Spirit calls you to this feast of bread and wine or juice, I invite you to receive that which has been prepared, each in our own places, but gathered together around the table of God. Although we are separated at this time by physical and social distancing, we are united, made whole in the body of our Lord. All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

#### Communion

L: This is the body of Christ, given for you.

C: Amen

L: This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

#### C: Amen

The body and blood of our Lord and Saviour strengthen you to eternal life.

#### C: Amen

Let us pray,

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

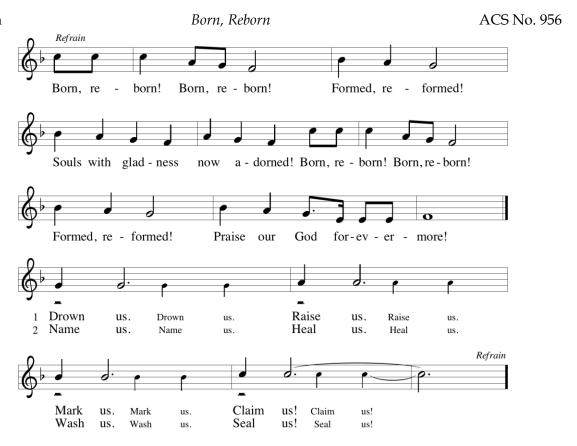
#### Amen.

## Blessing

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

## Amen.

Sending Hymn



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Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God.