



## Reformation Sunday, October 31, 2021

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.”

Galatians 4:4-7

### Order of Worship and Lyrics

## **Hymn:** A Mighty Fortress is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing  
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing  
For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe  
His craft and pow'r are great and armed with cruel hate  
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide  
our striving would be losing  
Were not the right Man on our side  
The Man of God's own choosing  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He  
Lord Sabaoth, His name, From age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear, for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us  
The prince of darkness grim, We tremble not for him  
His rage we can endure, For lo, his doom is sure  
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers  
No thanks to them, abideth  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through Him who with us sideth  
Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also  
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still  
His kingdom is forever

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

## **Praise Song: O Church Arise**

O church, arise, and put your armor on  
Hear the call of Christ our captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth  
We'll stand against the devil's lies.  
An army bold, whose battle cry is love  
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul  
But to rage against the captor  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole  
We will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on every side  
We know the outcome is secure.  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died  
An inheritance of nations.

[Chorus]

Arise, shine for your light has come  
Arise, shine for the Risen Son  
Lift your eyes, we are His radiant bride  
Arise, o church arise!

Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet  
As the Son of God is stricken;  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet  
For the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away  
And Christ emerges from the grave,

This victory march continues till the day  
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride  
Give grace for every hurdle.  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old, still line the way  
Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in Glory.

### **Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by  
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the  
third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from  
thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in  
the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.

### **Gloria Patri:**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen, Amen.

### **Unison Reading:** Romans 6:5-11

“ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we  
shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We  
know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the  
body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no

longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

### **Pastoral Prayer and 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, Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### **Offertory: “I Will Wait for You”**

Bess and James Desta

### **Doxology:**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen!

### **Anthem: “We Believe”**

Central Children’s Choir

### **Sermon: “The Gospel”**

Randy Jenkins

### **Scripture: Galatians 1:6-10**

I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— 7 not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. 8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.

9 As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

10 For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.

## **Hymn:           How Firm a Foundation**

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not! I am with thee; O be not dismayed  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

## **Benediction/Response**

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