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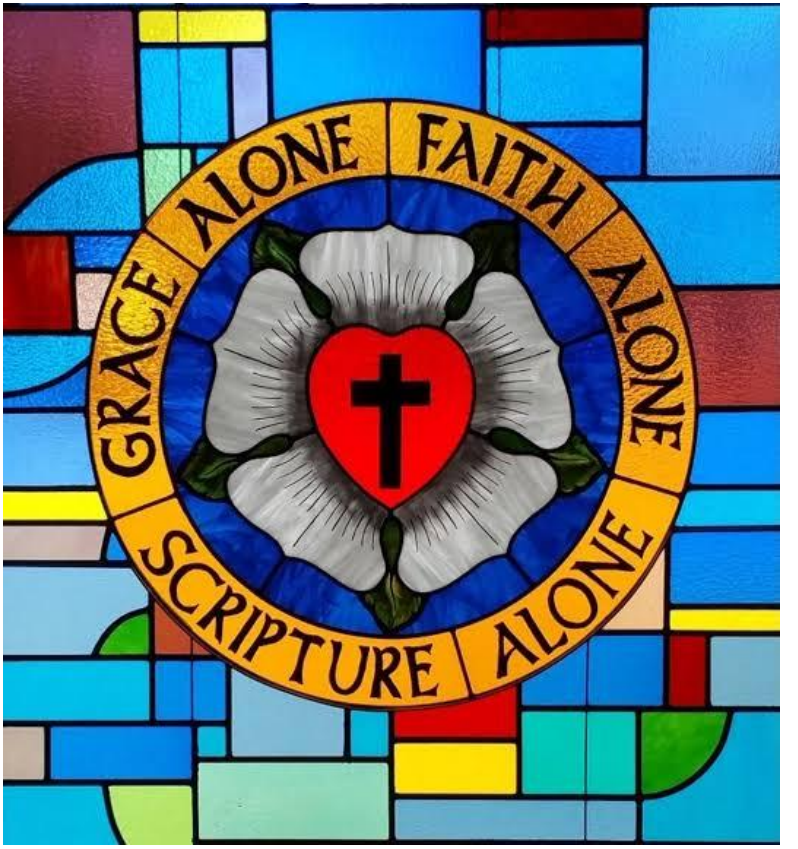
Sunday Worship
10:00 a.m.

Sunday School
8:45 a.m.



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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10 a.m. October 25, 2026
REFORMATION

PRELUDE ***All My Hope on God Is Founded*** M. Burkhardt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Opening Hymn
566 By Grace I'm Saved

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**
P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise
506 Glory Be to God the Father

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Scripture Lessons

First Reading — Revelation 14:6-7

6 Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to
those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. 7 And he
said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment
has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of
water."

A This is the Word of the Lord. C
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46 (read responsively)

1 God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
3 though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
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 her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
6 The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
7 The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
8 Come, behold the works of the Lord,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.
9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
10 "Be still, 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 fortress.

Epistle 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 stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. [20]For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.
[21]But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— [22]the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: [23]for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, [24]and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, [25]whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. [26]It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.
[27]Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. [28]For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem ***Rejoice, O My Spirit*** J.S. Bach Festival Choir

Holy Gospel John 8:31–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

[31]So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, [32]and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." [33]They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

[34]Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. [35]The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. [36]So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Hymn

657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

The Message Mr. Manfred Reek

Apostles' Creed

C **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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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 T everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Offering

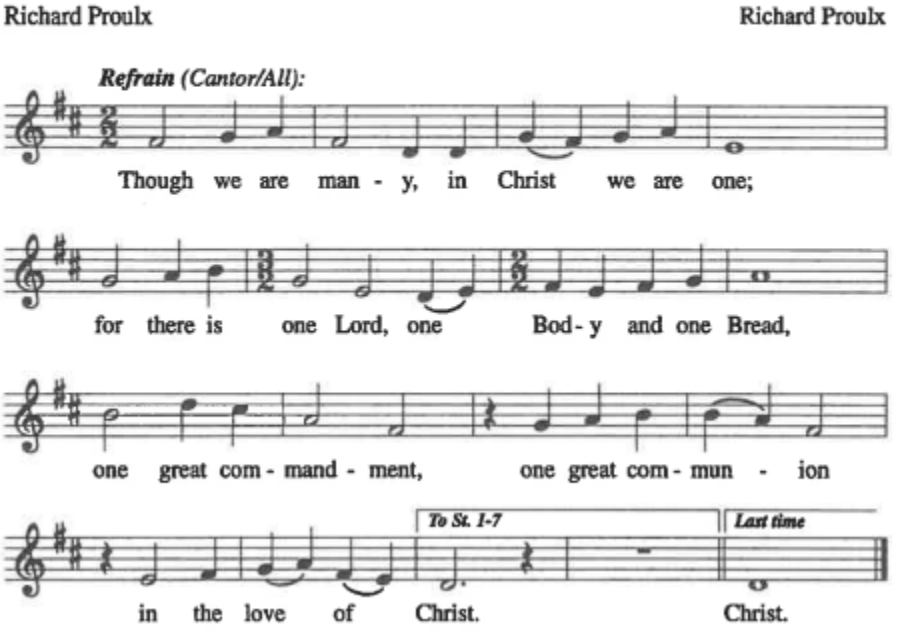
(The offerings should be placed in the plate near the entrance of the worship area.)

The Anthem ***Though We Are Many, In Christ We Are One***

Congregation & Choir

The Refrain will be sung by the Cantor, followed by the congregation.
The choir sings vs. 1, 3, 5 & 7.

Though We Are Many, In Christ We Are One



1. Sheltered in mercy, surrounded by love,
   we celebrate Christ's presence here among us
   in this most holy sacrament of bread and wine. ***Refrain (Congregation)***

3. Come unto me, all you who labor;
   come unto me, all who carry heavy burdens;
   come unto me and I will give you peace and rest. ***Refrain (Congregation)***

5. God is light, God is life, God is love;
   all those who live in love will live in God.
   and God will live in them through length of days. ***Refrain (Congregation)***

7. God reigns in glory forevermore;
   Christ is among us and present all our days;
   the Lord will give all people his gift of peace. ***Refrain ((Congregation)***

Lord's Prayer

C 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;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benediction (sung) P. Lutkin Festival Choir

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn
645 Built on the Rock

Sending

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE ***A Mighty Fortress is Our God*** M. Luther, P. Manz

TODAY'S SERVANTS

Guest Proclaimer: Manfred Reek
Liturgist: Dave Sitter
Organist: Barbara Sommer
Cantor: Bridget Jones
Festival Choir
Lector: Laura Higgins
Crucifer/Acolyte: Caleb Barron
IT Assistants: Jim McWilliams, Bridget Jones

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****OUR LIFE WITH GOD, September October 25, 2026****

WELCOME IN JESUS CHRIST!

Please include the following in your daily prayers:
Prayers for healing: Paul Thompson, Amanda Richter, The Carpenter Family, Arnold Christie (brother of Lynn Flaherty), Alison Baptiste, Michele Siemienski (friend of Beulah Gallatin), Mechelle Gover, Sharon Hare, Glenn Fowler (family of Sunnie & Bridget), Jennifer Trotz, Paul Saar, Shirley Kappel (Russ Davis' sister-in-law), Olive and Fred Abt, Lynne Funck, Sharon Root's husband, Jeffrey Baptiste, Kenzi Kelley, Randi Walters (Dave Segal's sister), Charles Richter Jr., Claire McDerby, John Dignan, Linda and Russ Davis, Lorraine Deitz, Paul Schildwachter, Carla Lindhorst, Family and friends of the Abts – Martha Kulaga, Sandy Robinson and Gloria Holthaus; Alyssa, Jessica, Reid, Latonya Endres and Lavenia White (Rosa White's daughters), Stephanie Smith & Bernadette, Myrna B., Shirley B., Derrick B. (CFP patrons).

Assisted Living and Nursing Homes: Betty Hucke, Frances Dunker, Kass Lindhorst, Alison Baptiste

Homebound: Carl, Shirley, & Chuck Ropka; Russ & Linda Davis

The **Festival Choir will be singing today** for **Reformation.** We will be rehearsing **@** 9 am this morning. All who love to sing, please join us.

TODAY is Calvary's bi-annual coat giveaway from 1-3 pm! All who have volunteered are asked to meet in room 104 for lunch and instructions at 11:45 am. Thank you!

****TIME CHANGE**** Next Sunday, November 1st – Remember to "Fall" back one hour!

Sunday, November 1st is All Saints Day. Please submit names of loved ones to read aloud to the church office.

THANK YOU TO THE CALVARY CONGREGATION & FRIENDS!! My daughters and I want to say "thank you" to our Calvary Family for all the love, support, prayers and friendship that you have given to us during these rather difficult family times!

It means the world to us! You have been a constant rock for our family, and for that we are truly grateful! Love, Gina, Julianna & Geena Merendino.

Sunday Bible class @ 8:30 in the media center. No previous experience or Biblical knowledge needed. All sinners welcomed! Call Nancie 410-936-0451 anytime.

Sunday School starts @ 8:45 in Room 109 at the end of the hall.

CALVARY FOOD PANTRY (CFP) - The "Calvary Life" pew insert has additional info on the CFP. Please note the upcoming dates: **Nov. 3rd,** and **Saturday, Dec. 5th (special holiday date)** – we are collecting the following items or money for:

- **Holiday Meals (Oct - Dec.)** – boxed potatoes and stuffing, gravy, muffins and biscuits, canned veggies, cranberry sauce, hams, turkeys, chickens, etc.

CALVARY LUTHERAN "FUN" RAISING ACTIVITIES: Volunteers are needed to help with upcoming fund-raising projects which will benefit the elevator replacement fund: **Retro Basket and Vintage Designer Purse Bingo** (**November 14, 2026, Calvary Fellowship Hall, 1-4 pm, doors open at noon**. There will be regular bingo/special games, raffles, 50/50, light refreshments, bake table, and more! Please consider purchasing tickets for you and your friends ahead of time- such a bargain at $15 in advance or $20 at the door! They are available through Deb Kamplain, Janice Woollen, Ronnie Segal or Bridget Jones at Calvary; or online through Eventbrite https://CalvaryBingo.eventbrite.com.

Bingo not your thing? Consider volunteering that afternoon to help with tickets, raffles, food, setup/cleanup- plenty of ways to contribute! Just about everything for this event has been generously donated and proceeds will benefit Calvary's elevator replacement fund - something from which we can all benefit!
Grief Share is a 13-week program to help those who have recently lost loved ones. It is being held at Grace Place each Wednesday evening until **December 9th,** 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Please feel free to come and bring a friend.

CFP REQUEST: If you have an SUV or pick-up truck and would be willing and able to pick-up donations and drop them at church 1-2 times per month from the Food Access Coalition (near church at 4220 Shannon Drive, Baltimore, MD 21213), please

contact Bridget. Dates and times (in 15-min increments) for pick-ups are limited to Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10am - 11:45am. Thank you!

***NEW Calvary Food Pantry (CFP):** the CFP continues to serve 75-100 people per month through the continued support, benevolence, hard work and generosity of Calvary's congregation. As you may know, we are working to expand operations into several other classrooms within our facility. As such, we are looking for anyone who may be interested in donating to several needs to assist in this expansion, including: (1) two additional large **utility carts**; (2) **metal shelving** to replace the old wooden (formerly library book) shelves; and (3) a **refrigerator and upright freezer** for additional perishable storage. Any and all donations are welcome, and if you have any questions or would like to donate in memory or honor of someone, see any member of the CFP crew

We're looking for folks to sponsor baskets - it's just $20 to sponsor – see Bridget Jones or Linda Gast to sponsor or with any questions about the baskets; and Sunnie Bell or Cheryl Reek with questions on or to donate purses. Also, we're looking for volunteers for this event – there's a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for various activities which will help this event be successful! We hope you can join us either as a player (flyer enclosed with information on how to register) or a helper!

If you have any questions, need more info, or are interested in volunteering for either of these events, please see Bridget. Thank you to all who have donated and contributed to date!

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, October 27th	Bible Study, 11 am
Wednesday, October 28th	Grief Share, 6:30 – 8:30 pm @ Grace Place
Tuesday, November 3rd	Calvary Food Pantry, 8:30 am-10:30 am
Saturday, November 14th	Retro Basket & Vintage Designer Purse Bingo Fellowship Hall, 1-4 pm – doors open @ noon
Wednesday, November 18th	"Surviving the Holidays"- Grace Place Grief Share, 6:30 – 8:30pm
Saturday, December 5th	CFP Holiday Event, 8:30am (note date change)