# 10:45 Reformation Sunday Confirmation Worship Service



October 26, 2025



Welcome to all, especially visitors! <u>It is no accident that you are here!</u> We've been praying for you. We believe God has brought you here and wants to touch your life. You are among friends.



If you are visiting, please sign in on our guest sign in sheet in the Narthex Hallway.



At our 10:45 AM service: words for the hymns are projected on the screens at the front of the sanctuary.



For the hearing impaired: hearing devices are available in the Narthex outside the sanctuary. ELC now has a wifi enabled Assist System. This will allow you to follow along with the service using your personal hearing aids. If your hearing aids are paired to your smartphone, please scan the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store QR code to download the waveCast app. Please see the tech team if you need any assistance.







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**Apple App Store** 



**Restrooms:** To locate a restroom, exit the back of the worship area. Take two rights and proceed down the hallway. At the stairs, go left. The Women's Room is on the left, the Men's Room is straight ahead.



*Holy Communion at ELC:* We welcome to the Lord's Table all the baptized people of God. Gluten free options and grape juice are available.



Nursery: We have a fully staffed nursery for infants through children six years of age or children of any age with special needs. The nursery opens at 10:15 AM on Sunday morning for our 10:45 AM worship service. The nursery is equipped with a pager system to help parents feel at ease. There is also a private nursing room for those who wish you use it.



Photo Release Form: Our 10:45am AM service is live-streamed to our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel. All children coming to the front for the Children's Message or Holy Communion will be visible on the live-feed. If you do not want your child's image online, please do not send them up to the front. If you are ok with it, please fill out a Photo Release Form located on the sign-up table in the Narthex and put it in the offering box.



**Reserved Seating:** Please keep the reserved seats open for people with disabilities and their family members. Thank you!



**Background Checks:** Mandatory background checks have been completed for all of our Nursery & Children's Ministry Volunteers.

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# Reformation Sunday

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.

# **GATHERING**

#### **PRELUDE**

# WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING

Please stand

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ♣ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

**P** Faithful God.

renew our hearts,

Amen.

and bring us to new life.

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

C you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken,

P Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,
I in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
C Amen.

### **GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

# C And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. 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.

#### C Amen.

GOSPEL Luke 18:9-14

The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.

**P** The holy gospel according to Luke the 18th Chapter.

# C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup> [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: <sup>10</sup> "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup> The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' <sup>13</sup> But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' <sup>14</sup> I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

# C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

### **SERMON**

Pastor D, Donkey, & Confirmands

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#### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

After the children's message, the children are welcomed to be a part of the Children's Worship that takes place in our Sunday School Room #108. Children return from Children's Worship during the sharing of the peace.

#### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM & PARENT'S & CONFIRMAND'S SHARING

Today we will be confirming 6 young people who has studied hard over the past 3 years. By reaffirming the promises their parents made at their baptism, they will become adult members of the church. We celebrate this milestone in their lives.

Aubrey Cordell daughter of Ronald and Jessica Cordell
Sawyer Hegedus son of Brian and Holly Hegedus
Jace Kopco son of Christopher and Allison Kopco
George Oslik son of Drahus and Andrea Oslik
Jayli Robinson daughter of Scott Robinsonand Cathy Robinson
Alexis Schuchart daughter of Matthew Schuchart and Allison Stains

- L These persons has been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.
- **P** We rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world.

**P** In holy baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his church.

In your baptism we remembered the saving power of God, saving Noah and his family, and leading the Israelites from bondage to freedom through the waters of the Red Sea.

We remembered Christ's own baptism in the Jordan River, when he was anointed with the Holy Spirit, making water a sign of the kingdom, of cleansing and rebirth.

We also remembered his death and resurrection, and his final command that we make disciples of all nations.

At your baptism you were given a candle, lit from the Christ candle, such as this one, with these words spoken to you, "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your father in heaven".

We also gave thanks for you, and prayed that God would pour out his Spirit upon you, giving you the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in God's presence.

Finally, we prayed that God would look with kindness upon your parents, enabling them to fulfill the promises, which they made, and serve as a teachers and examples of righteousness.

And so today the journey continues as we gather to affirm your baptism, confirm your faith, and pray again, that God will bless you with the Holy Spirit. We ask you now to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

**P** Do you renounce the devil and all his empty promises?

# C I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

# C I renounce them.

**P** Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

# C I renounce them.

**P** Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
on the third day he rose again.
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father.
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

**P** You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's Supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed.

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so answer individually.

C I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

**P** People of God, do you promise to support these brothers and pray for them in their life with Christ?

# C We do, and ask God to help and guide us.

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Amen

#### SHARING TIME

#### LAYING ON OF HANDS

**P** Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in these young men and women the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm their faith, guide their lives, empower their serving, give them patience in suffering, and bring them to everlasting life. Amen

#### PEACE

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please Stand

# OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Let us pray. Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# C Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P** 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.

#### 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; 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.

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

Please be seated

**COMMUNION SONG** 

Lamb of God

Please stand

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**P** Let us pray. O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

# **SENDING**

**BENEDICTION** 

SENDING HYMN

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DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

C Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

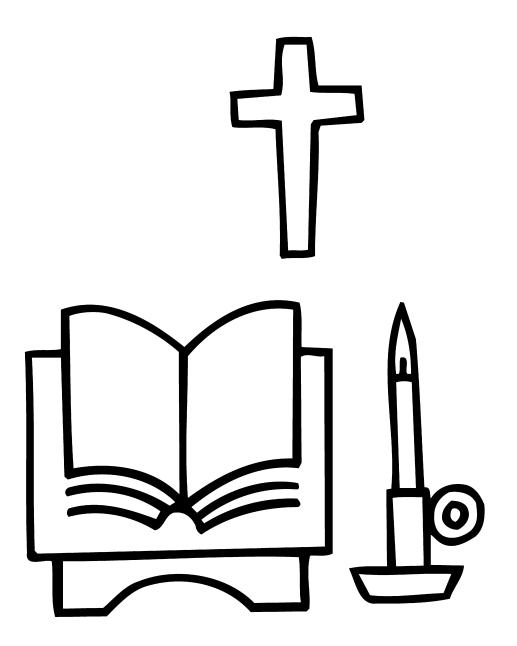
# PRAYER LIST FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION

Members of Our Congregation: Joyce Van Breemen, Ron Jettmar, Louise Morningstar, Karla Oller, Drew Reed, Carolyn & Lamar Sease, Art Koenig, and Debbie Zacher.

Friends of the Congregation: Rosanna Biesecker Kevin Carey, Alissa Cook, Annette Fillmore, Elijah Ford, Jim Gleason, Dawn Keller, Myles Kiser & Family, Bill Kroah, Juli Miller, Marian Mills, Sandy Jones, Zenith Reed, Dan Rovelstad, Susan Sees, Phyllis Barlup Snyder, Spahnolgtli family, Sherry Toomey,

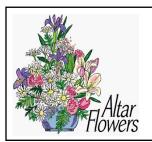
Rennie Tressler, Lubomira Uhliarova, Joe Vance and the family of Sydney Barnes.

(Names will be posted for a month. If you would like to have them on longer, please contact the church office.)



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# In memory of Don Kline on his Oct. 25th birthday, by his daughter Karen.



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