



MOUNT OLIVET LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship - Minneapolis Campus

October 26, 2025 - Reformation Sunday

**Liturgists: 9am Pastor Freeman, 10am Pastor Grangaard,
11am Pastor Kalland**

The Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty **Tim Zimmerman**
brass ensemble, percussion, and organ
(please stand when invited)

The Processional Hymn

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God **504:1, 2, 3, 4**

The striking of the anvil heard during the introduction to the processional hymn represents Martin Luther's act of nailing the 95 Theses to a church door in Wittenberg - an act that ignited the flame of the Reformation.

**A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's
rod and wins salvation glorious.**

**The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.**

**No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.**

**Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.**

**God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!**

The Invocation

**Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.**

Congregation: Amen. (please sing)

The Confession of Sins and Assurance of Forgiveness

**Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all
desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of
your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and
worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ
our Lord.**

Congregation: Amen. (please sing)

**Pastor: St. John writes, “If we say we have no sin, we
deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we
confess our sin, God who is faithful and just
will forgive our sin and cleanse us from all
unrighteousness” (1 John 1:8-9). And so we gather to
confess our sin, not because we fear God thinks us
unworthy, but because we trust God’s promise to receive
us always in mercy and grace. Let us therefore pray
together with confidence...**

Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen. (please sing)

Pastor: Almighty God, in mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, God gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. All this is promised in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen. (*please sing*)

The Hymn of Praise

The Church's One Foundation

654:1

**The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.**

The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you. (please sing)

**Pastor and Congregation: Dear God, you have saved us
by grace, called us by name, and promised to treat us
always as your beloved children. Grant us the faith to
believe your promises and the courage to share your
love with others.**

In Jesus' name, Amen. (please sing)

(please be seated)

The Gradual Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

858:1

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!**

The Scripture Reading

The Divine Name Revealed

Exodus 3:1-15

Glory to you, O Lord. (please stand as you are able and sing)

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now

come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you’, and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.”

Praise to you, O Christ. (please sing)

The Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.

(please be seated)

The Welcome

Pastor Lose

The Prayers of Remembrance

The Offertory Anthem

A Psalm

Andy Beck

Cathedral Choir - 9am

Who Will Be a Witness

Donald Moore

Chancel Choir - 10am

Forevermore

Dan Forrest

The congregation is invited to join in singing the final verse:

**O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
and our eternal home.**

Sanctuary Choir - 11am

(please stand as you are able)

The Offertory Prayer

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

885

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

(please be seated)

The Pulpit Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

705:1

**God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.**

The Sermon

Pastor Lose

The Divine Name Revealed

The Baptismal Service (held during the 11am service)

**The following will be named a child of God and receive
the promise of forgiveness, life, and salvation in Christ
through the sacrament of Holy Baptism.**

Max Alan Geris, son of Michelle and Grant

(please stand as you are able)

The Closing Hymn

Thy Strong Word

511:1

**Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
at thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank thee,
while thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

The 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.

The Sending Prayer

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

(please pause for a moment of silent prayer)

The Postlude

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Jeff Perks

October Altar Flower Dedications

**In honor and memory of William Nelson Shiebler,
by Barry and Carla Becklin**

In memory of our infant son Jacob, by Mike and Jan Nelson

**In memory of Earline T. Walker on the anniversary of her
birthday, by her children, Marcia and Ken**

**In honor of David G. Wittenberg on the anniversary of his
death, by Amy, Erik, and Lucia Porthan**

In appreciation of the Mount Olivet Pastoral Staff

**In celebration of the blessing of grandsons Jack and Henry,
by Nana and Papa**

**In loving celebration of the birthdays of Christy Hanson and
Debbie Danich, by their mom, Sandy McCalvy**

**In celebration of Ken and Carolyn Ruble's 64 years of
marriage, by their children, Laurie, Lisa, and Doug**

**In celebration of Ken and Sharon Schultz on their 50th
wedding anniversary, by their son, Jeff and family**

**In celebration of Jerry Weber's birthday,
by Beth and Todd, Stef and Greg, and his grandchildren**

**In celebration of the upcoming marriage of Leah Boldt and
Andrew Young, by their families and friends with love**

**If you would like to donate to the Mount Olivet Flower Fund
please contact Jody Barbee at jbarbee@mtolivet.org or
952.767.1501.**

Pastors

David J. Lose, Senior Pastor

Kurt P. Kalland, Monica M. Hammersten,

Mark J. Dixon, Rebecca W. Freeman, Benjamin M. Cieslik,

Jeni F. Grangaard, Jenna L. Olson Popp

Worship and Music Staff

Beverly Claflin, Director of Worship and Music and

Director of Cathedral and Sanctuary Choirs

Jordan Buchholtz, Principal Organist and

Director of Handbells

Amanda Jenkins, Director of Chancel Choir

Shelley Ohnsorg, Cathedral and Chancel Choir Accompanist

Takako Senn and Jeff Norquist, trumpet

Kristen Haug, horn

Scott Agster and John Tranter, trombone

Bob Adney, percussion

Mount Olivet General Fund

**Thank you for your generous gift to support the many
ministries of Mount Olivet.**



Online at mtolivet.org/online-giving

Text "MTOLIVET" to 73256