

# **Freed** & RENEWED in **Christ** 500 YEARS OF GOD'S **GRACE** IN ACTION

**A JOINT CELEBRATION OF THE  
500<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE  
REFORMATION**

**October 25, 2017  
5:00 p.m.**

The Rev. Lawrence M. Eckart, Island Lutheran Church, Hilton Head Island, SC

The Rev. Dr. Emil H. Klatt, III, Christ Lutheran Church, Hilton Head Island, SC

The Rev. Rick Klotz, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Bluffton, SC

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**GATHERING MUSIC**

*In Christ Alone* (please sing along)

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

I will stand  
I will stand, all other ground is sinking sand  
All other ground, all other ground  
Is sinking sand, is sinking sand  
So I'll stand

## THE WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*Prelude and Fugue in C minor / J.S. Bach*  
*Acht Kleine Präluden und Fugue – No.1*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(please stand as you are able)*

P Blessed be the † Holy Trinity, the One who fashioned us, the One who heals us, the One who reforms us, again and again.

C AMEN

P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

P Gracious God,

C our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; reform us by your love, each in our own hearts and in your church universal; and grant us to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. AMEN

P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. † Your sins are forgiven, God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Christ our Lord.

C AMEN.

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Lift High the Cross / Newboldt/Kitchin*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod, *Refrain*

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.

### Verse 2

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

### Verse 3

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified

Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died

#### Verse 4

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree  
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.

#### Verse 5

Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell  
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell

#### Verse 6

So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory!

### THE 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.

### KYRIE

Assisting minister

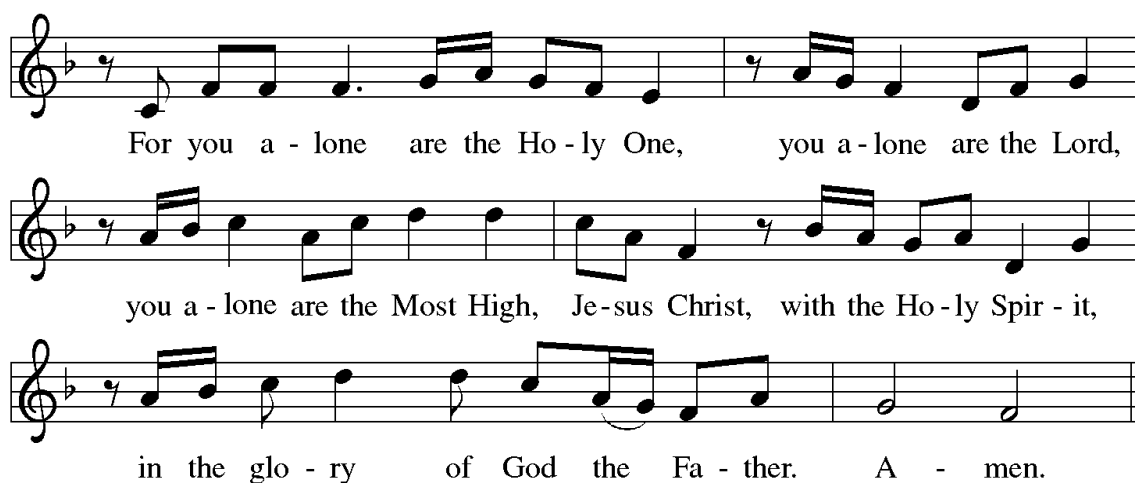


Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,  
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY *(said in unison)*

God of Life: May the light of your presence inspire this celebration, and inspire our lives, to praise you and recognize you, as source of all creation, as strength that sustains, as wisdom that foresees, as clarity that discovers, as love that understands, as mercy that forgives. May the light of your presence, eternal and inextinguishable, shine on us now and forever until the dawn of your Kingdom. AMEN.

*(please be seated)*

### FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-8a

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine,

but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do." Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

R The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 100 *(read responsively)*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;  
 we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;  
 give thanks and bless God's holy name.

Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

**SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-11**

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person — though perhaps for

a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

R The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *(please remain seated and sing along with the video)*

*Speak, O Lord / Getty*

1/ Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ  
might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory.

2/ Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
Holy reverence, true humility;  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise;  
cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail—  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3/ Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35-10:8** (please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel)

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

*The Gospel will be read in German and again in English*

*(Luther Bibel 1545) – Silke Pyrlik*

Und Jesus ging umher in alle Städte und Märkte, lehrte in ihren Schulen und predigte das Evangelium von dem Reich und heilte allerlei Seuche und allerlei Krankheit im Volke. Und da er das Volk sah, jammerte ihn desselben; denn sie waren verschmachtet und zerstreut wie die Schafe, die keinen Hirten haben. Da sprach er zu seinen Jüngern: Die Ernte ist groß, aber wenige sind der Arbeiter. Darum bittet den HERRN der Ernte, daß er Arbeiter in seine Ernte sende.

Und er rief seine zwölf Jünger zu sich und gab ihnen Macht über die unsauberen Geister, daß sie sie austrieben und heilten allerlei Seuche und allerlei Krankheit. Die Namen aber der zwölf Apostel sind diese: der erste Simon, genannt Petrus, und Andreas,

sein Bruder; Jakobus, des Zebedäus Sohn, und Johannes, sein Bruder; Philippus und Bartholomäus; Thomas und Matthäus, der Zöllner; Jakobus, des Alphäus Sohn, Lebbäus, mit dem Zunamen Thaddäus; Simon von Kana und Judas Ischariot, welcher ihn verriet.

Diese zwölf sandte Jesus, gebot ihnen und sprach: Gehet nicht auf der Heiden Straße und ziehet nicht in der Samariter Städte, sondern gehet hin zu den verlorenen Schafen aus dem Hause Israel. Geht aber und predigt und sprecht: das Himmelreich ist nahe herbeigekommen. Macht die Kranken gesund, reinigt die Aussätzigen, weckt die Toten auf, treibt die Teufel aus. Umsonst habt ihr's empfangen, umsonst gebt es auch.

*(NRSV) – Pastor Rick Klotz*

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to

cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated)

## ANTHEM

### *God is Our Refuge / Pote*

The Combined Choirs of Christ Lutheran Church,  
Island Lutheran Church and Lord of Life Lutheran Church

## THE SERMON

Pastor Rick Klotz

(please stand as you are able)

## HYMN OF THE DAY

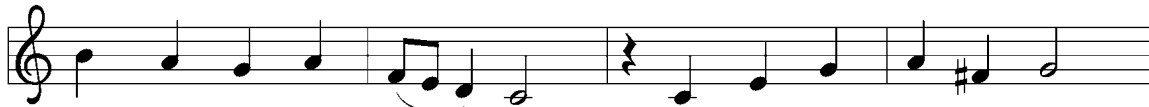
### *A Mighty Fortress / Luther*



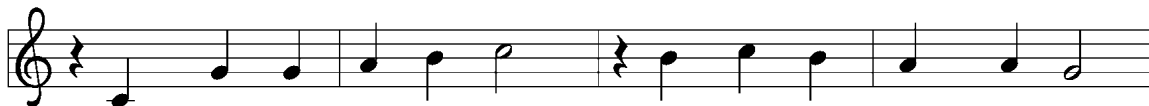
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!



**THE NICENE CREED** *(said in unison)*

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, 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.

**THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

P Drawn to the light of Christ, made bold in the waters of baptism, and filled  
with the Spirit, we lift up our prayers in confidence that God loves us and  
listens to us...

*After each portion of the prayers:*

P Lord, in your mercy,                      C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, gracious Lord, we place ourselves and our prayers, spoken  
and unspoken, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C AMEN.

**THE PEACE** *(We may greet one another in the name of the Lord)*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

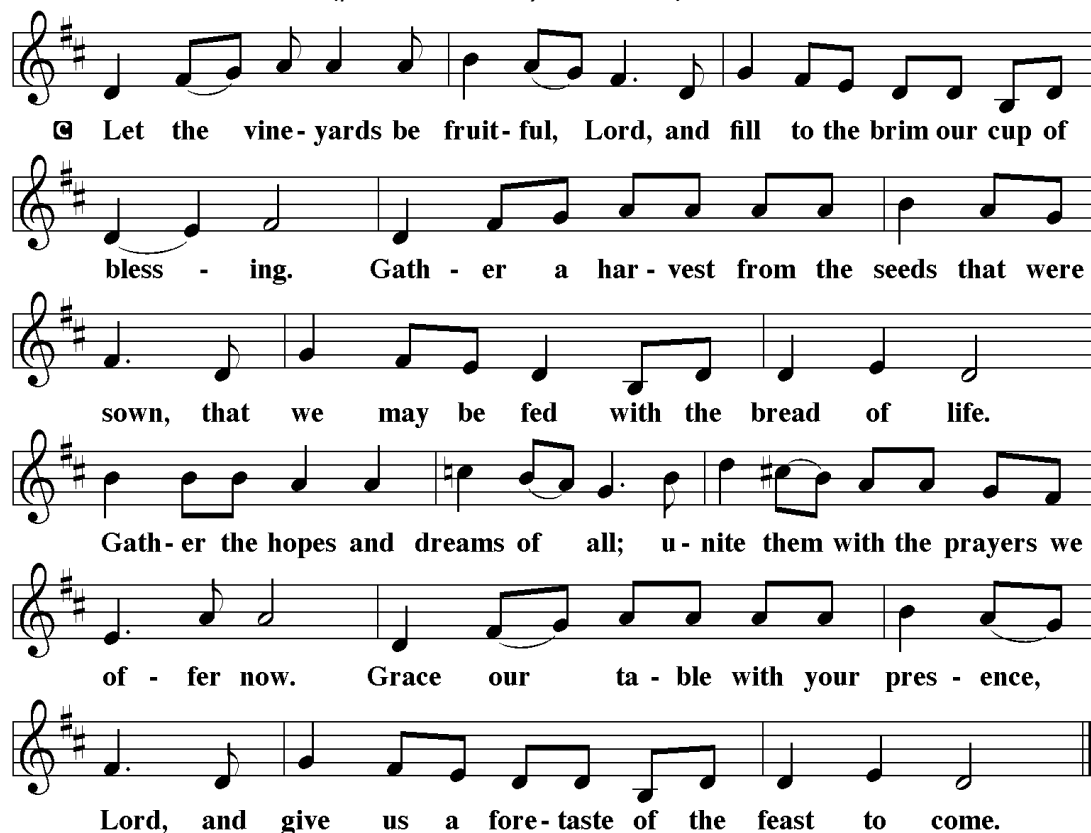
C And also with you.

P Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.

**THE RETURNING OF GIFTS** *(please be seated)*

**This joint offering will be sent to  
LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE and designated for HURRICANE RELIEF  
(checks can be made out to Lutheran Disaster Response  
with the note: Hurricane Relief in the Memo Line)**

### THE RETURNING RESPONSE *(please stand as you are able)*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

### THE RETURNING PRAYER *(said in unison)*

Merciful God, everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER *(SUNG by congregation)*

Our Father, which 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 debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.

### THE BLESSING

**RECESSIONAL HYMN**     *The Church's One Foundation* / Stone/Wesley



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
by schisms. . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

**BLESSING OF THE MEAL**

**THE DISMISSAL**

P Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
sounding and living the Good News.  
C Thanks be to God!

**POSTLUDE**

*Psalm 19* / Marcello

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and in celebration of  
the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation.*

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