

THE FESTIVAL OF REFORMATION

VIDEO AND SHAWNEE CAMPUS WORSHIP | NOVEMBER 1, 2020



8:30 & 11am, Online
Preaching: Pastor Tom Van Duzer

Worship Leader: Brandon Draper

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

- L** We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.
- C** We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live, who followed, obeyed, adored you—our grateful hymn we sing.
- L** Holy, Holy, Holy!
- C** All the saints adore thee!

Invocation and Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

- L** In the name of the Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- L** Let us pray:
- C** Gracious Father, we come before you this day remembering those who have died in the faith. We thank you for their lives of faithfulness to your Son, Jesus.
- L** Father, help us to see in their example the Way of Life. We now name before you, O Lord, those who have gone before us.

We remember:

Glen Bodling
Martha Chael
Ted Dahl
Bonnie Fruehling
Darrien Geyer
Dale Gosney
Gwen Hixson
Jim Hoestje
Dick Humes
Awad Ismir
Jean Klemp
Harlan Koca
Ruth Kroenke
Jerry Mueller
Shirley Sachs
Greg Schoofs
Nancy Smith
Dorothy Winchell

Confession of Sins and Absolution

L When we claim to be without 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 sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

L Most merciful God:

C **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may join the chorus which forever sings your praises to the glory of your name. Amen.**

L God declares us to be his righteous saints. He has given his Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. Rejoice, your sins are forgiven!

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray. Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering

Offering baskets will not be passed; instead, please place your offering in the designated container or continue online giving options.

First Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴ I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ "Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

1 John 3:1-3

¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message Video

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12

¹ Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“The Great Cloud” based on Revelation 7:9-17

Nicene Creed

C 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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.**

Musical Meditation

Lord, I Need You

Verse 1

**Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart**

Chorus 1

**Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
O God how I need You**

Verse 2

**Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me**

Chorus

Bridge

**So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay**

Chorus 2

**Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
O God how I need You
My one defense my righteousness
O God how I need You**

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Supper

Words of Institution

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.**

Communion Blessing and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Benediction

L The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C Amen.

Closing Songs

He Reigns

I AM

Verse 1

It's the song of the redeemed
Rising from the African plain
It's the song of the forgiven
Drowning out the Amazon rain
The song of Asian believers
Filled with God's holy fire
It's every tribe every tongue every nation
A love song born of a grateful choir

Chorus

It's all God's children singing
Glory glory hallelujah
He reigns He reigns

It's all God's children singing
Glory glory hallelujah
He reigns (He reigns)

Verse 2

Let it rise above the four winds
Caught up in the heavenly sound
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals
To the faithful gathered underground
Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation
Some were meant to persist
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples
None rings truer than this

Chorus

Bridge

And all the powers of darkness
Tremble at what they've just heard
'Cause all the powers of darkness
Can't drown out a single word

Chorus

I AM

Verse 1

There's no space that His love can't reach
There's no place where we can't find peace
There's no end to amazing grace

Verse 2

Take me in with Your arms spread wide
Take me in like an orphan child
Never let go never leave my side

Chorus

I AM holding onto You
I AM holding onto You
In the middle of the storm
I AM holding on (I AM)

Verse 3

Love like this O my God to find
I am overwhelmed with a joy divine
Love like this sets our hearts on fire

Bridge

This is my resurrection song
This is my hallelujah come
This is why it's to You I run

(REPEAT)

There's no space that His love can't reach
There's no place where we can't find peace
There's no end to amazing grace

Chorus

Ending

I AM
In the middle of the storm
I AM holding on I AM

Dismissal

- L** Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
- C** Thanks be to God.

Instrumental Music

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All Bible readings are English Standard Version, unless otherwise noted.

You are invited to come to in-person worship next week at the following times:

Mission Campus

5:30pm (Sat.)

8:15am

9:45am

11:00am

Shawnee Campus

8:30am

11:00am

Please consider joining us for one of our many online Bible studies.

A list of options can be found at the link below:

<https://tlcms.org/next-steps/learn/>