

# Emanuel Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio

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## Reformation Sunday — October 28, 2012

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Emanuel's mission is to witness to the good news of salvation through Christ to individuals, the community and the world through discipleship and service.*



LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship      WOV—With One Voice

\* Please stand if you are able

### PRELUDE *A Mighty Fortress*

(10:25) Sunday School children: *All God's Creatures*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### New Member recognition

#### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God: the only Sovereign, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners; the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
God of overflowing grace,

C **we come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents. By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

C **Amen**

#### \* HYMN LBW # 229 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

“He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, will say to the Lord,  
‘My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.’” Psalm 91:1-2

#### \* GREETING

P Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

#### \* KYRIE

Ⓐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord.      Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.

Ⓐ For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.

Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.

Ⓐ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.

Ⓐ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,

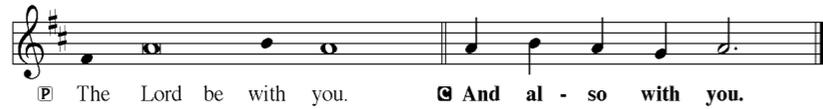
let us pray to the Lord.      Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.

Ⓐ Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra- cious Lord.      Ⓞ A - men

**\* HYMN OF PRAISE**    

God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way; In death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant while time shall last  
Your Church may hold it fast Throughout all generations.

**\*SALUTATION AND RESPONSE**



Ⓟ The Lord be with you.    ☩ And al - so with you.

**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen

(10:30) **Special Music:** *The Church's One Foundation* -Bell Choir

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my

law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**A** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 46**

God is our ref- | uge and strength,\*  
a very present | help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,\*  
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths | of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup>though its waters | rage and foam,\*  
and though the mountains tremble | at its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>**The LORD of | hosts is with us;\***  
**the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.**

<sup>5</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,\*  
the holy habitation of | the Most High.

<sup>6</sup>**God is in the midst of her; she shall not be | overthrown;\***  
**God shall help her at the | break of day.**

<sup>7</sup>The nations make much ado, and the king- | doms are shaken;\*  
God has spoken, and the earth shall | melt away.

<sup>8</sup>**The LORD of | hosts is with us;\***  
**the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.**

<sup>9</sup>Come now and look upon the works | of the LORD,\*  
what awesome things he has | done on earth.

<sup>10</sup>**It is he who makes war to cease in | all the world;\***  
**he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields with fire.**

<sup>11</sup>"Be still, then, and know that | I am God;\*"   
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth."

<sup>12</sup>**The LORD of | hosts is with us;\***  
**the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28**

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift,

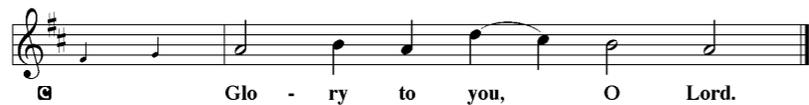
through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

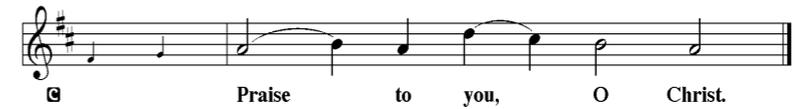


**\* GOSPEL: John 8:31-36**



<sup>31</sup>Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you

mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.



**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**HYMN LBW # 233** *Thy Strong Word*  
 "The unfolding of your words gives light." Psalm 119:130

**SERMON**

**\* HYMN LBW # 369** *The Church's One Foundation*  
 "Christ is all, and in all." Colossians 3:11

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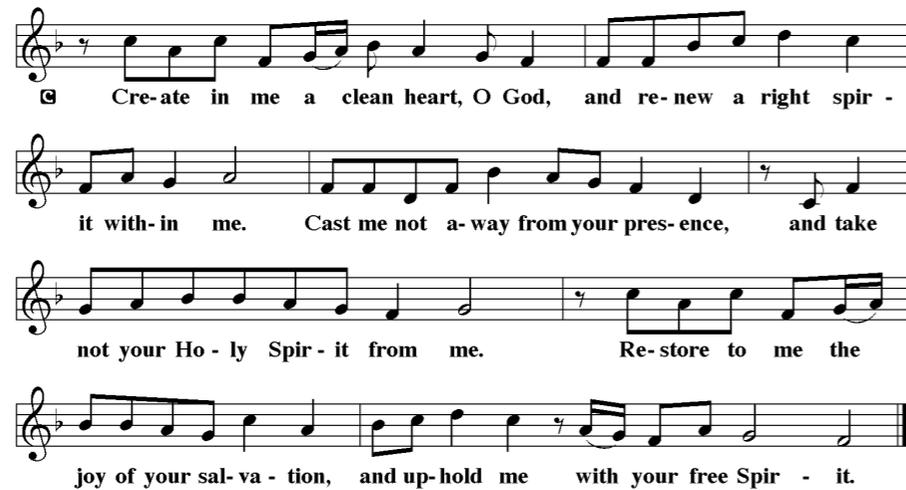
**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**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**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS** (8:00) *The Church's One Foundation* -Bell Choir  
 (10:30) *Built on the Rock*

**OFFERTORY** *(please remain seated)*



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -  
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the  
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

**THE PRAYERS** *(please remain seated)*

A As disciples of Christ Jesus called to love and serve all people, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*Brief silence.*

A God of the new covenant, in the waters of baptism you claim us as your own. Shower the church with your Holy Spirit, that the church will become one as we are one in you.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of creation, nourish the earth to provide enough food and clean water for all. Teach us to share these resources, that no one hungers or thirsts. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of peace, bring an end to conflicts and wars around the world, shatter the fear we have of people different from us, and break down all that separates us from you and one another. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of freedom, make this congregation a place of forgiveness and reconciliation. Empower our faith so that we witness to your truth that liberates us from sin. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Eternal Word of life, we give you thanks for the reformers of every generation who have passed on the faith to us. Keep us steadfast in your word until we join them around your throne. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

*Other petitions.*

P God of grace, quiet the fear and anxiety of those in need: the unemployed, homeless, persecuted, and all who are ill or suffering (*especially*). Grant them peace and healing, for you are their refuge and strength. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Hear our prayers, faithful God, and renew us by your Spirit, that we may joyfully love and serve you and one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C Amen**

**\* LORD'S PRAYER** 

**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.**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* HYMN LBW # 379** *Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word*

"...pray therefore the Lord of harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Luke 10:2

**POSTLUDE** *Let the Word Go Forth*

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### *A Mighty Fortress*

This hymn is known as the “Battle Hymn of the Reformation and the greatest hymn of the greatest man of the greatest period of German history.” Written in 1529 by Martin Luther, it expressed his confidence of victory during his intense struggle with the Roman Catholic church.

### *The Church’s One Foundation*

This hymn is one of 12 hymns based on the articles of the Apostles’ Creed, first published in 1866.

### Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Donna & Ron Meyers; and by Vern Lanzer in loving memory of Joyce.

### Congregational Meeting

The Annual October Congregational Meeting will be held this morning immediately following the 10:30 worship service. Please plan to attend this important meeting in which we will vote on a budget for 2013 and for members of church council.

### New members

Help us welcome our newest members! We will recognize them this morning during the service and will meet and greet them between services with refreshments: **Bob Ivancso; Cheryl Wiechmann Schroeder; Anthony Godsey; Eric & Tamara Wolf & son Elijah; John & Dena Graham & son, Caleb; Shawn & Kim Rhodes & daughter, Tessa.**

### Thankoffering Service

For more than 100 years, Lutheran women have been setting aside coins and small offerings every day to give thanks for blessings in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of life. At a Thankoffering service, women bring their Thankofferings together to give thanks to God in worship and fellowship. Thankofferings go in full to support the churchwide ministries of Women of the ELCA. Our Thankoffering Service will be Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>.

### NEEDED!!

We are in need of someone to run the sound board for the late service in December. If you would be willing to volunteer, please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.

### Statistics

10/18 attendance 32    communed 31    10/21 attendance 85 + 90 (175)    Offerings \$4,986.58 (\$360 Building Fund; \$16 World Hunger)

### Filling Guild Membership

Dues for Filling Guild membership are now being accepted. Give your \$1 *or more* in an envelope (including your name, address, and phone number) to Shirlee Mires-Fejes, your circle leader, or the church office by November 15.

### This Week

Today	9:30 a.m.	New member reception
	11:30 a.m.	Congregational Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism
Wednesday	3:15 p.m.	After School Club
	5:00 p.m.	Soul Food
	6:00 p.m.	Emanubells
	6:30 p.m.	Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Living Spirit
Thursday		NO Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Worship

### Caring Corner — Kaitlyn’s Cottage

Kaitlyn’s Cottage, located on the Defiance Regional Hospital campus, is a safe and nurturing country cottage getaway designed to provide short-term and overnight respite for individuals with cognitive and physical disabilities and their families. They currently service individuals between the ages of 16 and 40. Items needed:

arts & crafts supplies	Kinect System/Games	drying racks for art
craft kits	books for the library	wooden blocks
utensils (tongs, hard plastic spatula, metal pancake turner, etc.)	CDs, DVDs	wagon
food processor	stand mixer for kitchen	for toddlers: crib/mattress, bedding, adapted toilet seat, plastic step stool, baby gates, baby-proofing items
blender	popcorn machine	
bedding-sheets & pillow cases (twin & full)	soccer goals	
office supplies	basketball hoop	
Wii/Xbox games	mani/pedi supplies	
	baby dolls/clothes	child safe toys including trike, scooter board, toy trucks & cars, etc.
	board games	
	art easel	

There will be NO Thursday morning Bible Study this week!

**Filling Fall Fling**

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual Filling Fall Fling will be held on Saturday, November 3 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., sponsored by the Filling Home Women's Guild to be held in the Activity Center at the Filling Home. There will be good food, entertainment, a silent auction, a live auction, and a bake sale. There is no admission charge, but a freewill offering is accepted for the food and entertainment. Mark your calendars!

**Serving Today**

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Lay Assistant - 8:00 Richard Landversicht 10:30 Emily Jordan

Acolytes - 8:00 Carl Yaney & Seth Tonjes

10:30 Madison Ashbaugh & Abby Allison

Ushers - 8:00 Jeff & Lori Sharpe, Paul Mowery, Jack Robbins

10:30 Larry Ashbaugh, Gary Bostelman, Karl Yunker, Bill Panning

Sound Board - 8:00 Maxine Eickhoff 10:30 Kevin Good

Altar Guild - Laura Yaney & Gayla Yaney

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or [cjcast@yahoo.com](mailto:cjcast@yahoo.com)

**Ringers needed**

The Salvation Army is looking for volunteer bell ringers for the Christmas season. If you would be willing to sign up for one or more 2-hour shift(s), please sign up on the bulletin board by the church office.

**Got a towel?**

The local Salvation Army is in desperate need of towels – both bath and hand – and washcloths! These need not be new, but “gently used”. As you're going through your closets this fall, perhaps you have some extras to donate!