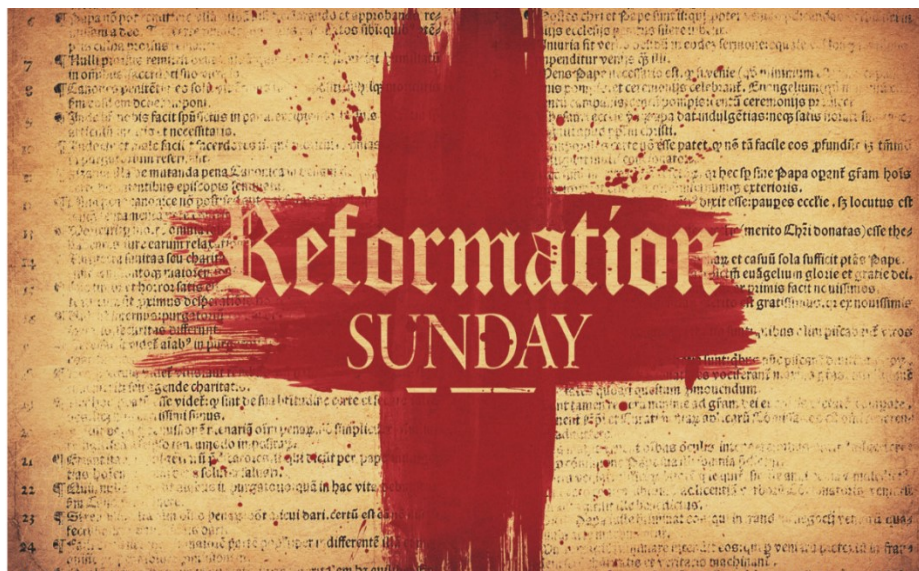




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***Those who are able, please stand as marked**

The St. Andrew's family warmly welcomes all visitors and newcomers!

If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us for coffee and snacks after service.

Musical Prelude

Announcements

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE

***Lighting of the Christ Candle** *Together we sing –*

Jesus Comes to Me:

Jesus comes to me as an autumn tree, and I receive him as an autumn tree. Season of ripeness, brightly ablaze like a torch in the quietness of closing days and carrying the wood of winter.

***Share the Peace of Christ**

CALL TO WORSHIP

(congregation's response in **BOLD**)

L: Jesus invites every person in this way: "Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!"

C: We come to this place, to this time at the invitation of Jesus Christ.

L: In the name of Christ,

C: we accept the invitation to discipleship.

L: In the name of Christ,

C: as his disciples, we worship and praise God.

L: In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds,

C: we proclaim the God of Compassion.

L: In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives, whole peoples,

C: we proclaim the God of Hope.

L: In the midst of indifference and apathy,

C: we proclaim the God of Love.

L: Come, let us worship together and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

***Opening Hymn VU #262 – A Mighty Fortress**

(lyrics on screen)

OPENING PRAYER

(in-unison)

O God, our God, You are gracious and loving, holy and eternal; your love is steadfast, your presence ever near. Your wisdom is older than time and as fresh as the morning dew. Your name has come to us through the centuries, yet you can always do a new thing to draw us back to you. Holy God; Creator, Christ and Spirit, Three and One; we offer you our prayers and praise this day in humble expectation; refresh our understanding and nurture our readiness to serve you. Amen.

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17

The New Testament

The Gospel of St. Matthew 22:34-36

These are the words of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn TLUS 139 – *Love Over Hate

(lyrics on screen)

Sermon – Whose Rules Rule?

Rev. Scott Brown

Hymn – MV 147 – *God Help Us to Treasure

(lyrics on screen)

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Offering

***Offering Dedication VU544 – In Gratitude and Humble Trust**

(lyrics on-screen)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

COMMISSIONING

(in unison)

We go forth now, knowing that The Reformation is not just a past event, it is an ongoing calling. The Holy Spirit is still moving, reshaping us and all churches by her grace.

We go forth to bring the light of Christ into the dark corners of the world divided by fear and seeking control.

We stand firm in faith, walking boldly in love as we live out God's mercy for all to see.

We go forth to bring the calm and soothing presence of God's creation to those who need this balm the most.

We go forth now renewed, reformed and rejuvenated by the power of our Triune God.

BLESSING

May the peace of God the maker of all light be upon you and yours this day.

May the love of Jesus Christ enfold you and yours this day.

May the breath of the Holy Spirit renew and reform you and your house this day and this week.

And may our Triune God go with you wherever you journey this day and this week. Amen.

*Closing Hymn - *O Christ the Same*

(lyrics on screen)

Musical Postlude

Thank you

Worship Leaders

Rev. Scott Brown - Presider

Vince Anderson – Lead Musician

Robert Woodbury – Cantor

Technical Support

Eldon Wilson – Live streaming & Sound

Brent Roy – PowerPoint Operation

Patricia Wilson – Order of Service & PowerPoint Design