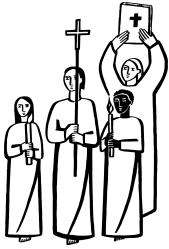


Reformation & Affirmation of Baptism Sunday – October 29 & 30, 2022
The 115th Anniversary of the faith community of Eden Evangelical Lutheran Church



“God loves us all, both big and small,” a child’s verse declares. The sins of the world are covered. We are able to stand tall before God our righteous judge because in the person of Jesus “salvation has come to this house”—to our house today. In Christ Jesus God seeks us out to save us.

Announcements

As you prepare for worship, gathered in virtual community and connected by God’s beautiful and unfathomable design, you are invited to light a candle for your home worship space.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn - #638 Blessed Assurance

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, gracious and benevolent, through your Son you invite all the world to a meal of mercy. Grant that we may eagerly follow his call, and bring us with all your saints into your life of justice and joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 1:10-18

Isaiah announces God's displeasure with the offerings and sacrifices of a people who are without compassion. He urges them instead to do justice and defend the oppressed. Indeed, if they repent, God promises that they will be made as clean as new-fallen snow.

¹⁰Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

¹¹What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

¹²When you come to appear before me,

who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more;
¹³bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
¹⁴Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.
¹⁵When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.
¹⁶Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;
cease to do evil,
¹⁷learn to do good;
seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.
¹⁸Come now, let us argue it out,
says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.
Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 32:1-7

All the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble. (*Ps. 32:6*)

¹Happy are they whose transgressions ¹ are forgiven,
and whose sin is ¹ put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the LORD im- ¹ putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there ¹ is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. R**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance. R

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

This letter attributed to Paul begins with a typical salutation, blessing, and words of praise for what God is accomplishing among the recipients. By remaining faithful and growing spiritually during hardship, the Thessalonian Christians have become witnesses to the glory of God.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. ⁴Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

¹¹To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, ¹²so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 19th chapter

Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Jesus encounters Zacchaeus, a rich man who is also a lost sinner. Moved by Jesus' acceptance of him, Zacchaeus becomes a model of discipleship. In immediate response to being restored to God's people, Zacchaeus ministers to the poor and seeks reconciliation with those whom he has wronged.

¹[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it.²A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." ⁶So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner."
⁸Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

The Gospel of the Lord! **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day - #504 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Affirmation of Baptism – Sunday

PRESENTATION

The presiding minister addresses the assembly with these or similar words.

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for *these people*, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism after completing their confirmation education.

Those making affirmation are presented by a representative of the congregation. As your name is called, come forward and stand in front of the altar.

I present these students, who *desire* to make public affirmation of *their* baptism, and the verses they have chosen for this day.

Kate Mattson, who has chosen Romans 15:13

Lauren Nelson, who has chosen John 3:16-17

Tessa Salo, who has chosen John 8:12

Lyon Wood, who has chosen Jeremiah 29:11

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these siblings in Christ, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished *them* in the community of faith.

Uphold them in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

*The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.
The assembly may stand and join in the responses.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **I renounce them.**

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

AFFIRMATION

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Each person responds: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the assembly.

People of God, do you promise to support these siblings in Christ, and pray for them in their life in Christ? **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Those making affirmation stand spaced apart in front the altar. Family and sponsors/godparents can come forward to place their hands on their student to participate in the blessing. The blessing is repeated for each person.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit, you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in (Kate, Lauren, Tessa, Lyon) the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

All will respond: Amen.

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Let us congratulate these young people with our applause.

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Prayers of Intercession

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Keep your church steadfast in your word, reforming God. Deepen our faith and increase our love in Jesus' name. Further ecumenical dialogue and partnerships (*local partnerships may be named*) and equip us for unified witness and service in the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Come to the aid of the poor, especially those suffering food and water shortages or loss of homes due to natural disasters. Halt the exploitation of the earth's resources and lead us to seek justice and rescue the oppressed. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Guide leaders of all nations, almighty God. Heal divisions, build trust, and remove barriers that prevent collaboration and cooperation. Bring neighborhoods, cities, and countries together to work for the common good. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Save from trouble those who struggle with hunger, homelessness, or addiction. Strengthen the overworked and give hope to those who do not have enough work. Console those who are burdened by illness or grief (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reveal yourself to all who seek you. Empower the hospitality ministries of this congregation to welcome others to your feast of love. Foster generosity in our stewardship ministries to both our congregation and community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Gather the faithful at the table of your eternal banquet. We give thanks for those who have witnessed to your gracious presence, especially Martin Luther and all who strive to reform and renew the church. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Offering

Offering Prayer

Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Lord's Prayer

Our faithful teacher Jesus gave us the words we need to bring us back to God and our God-given selves when he taught us to pray:

**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.**

Invitation to Communion

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.

Come to the banquet.

All who desire communion on this day are welcome to commune with us and partake in the promise of eternal life by Jesus Christ himself. In solidarity with our siblings in recovery, we use non-alcoholic wine. Please indicate if you would like a gluten free communion wafer. If you do not wish to take communion, you are still invited to ask Pastor for a blessing before you leave. Traditionally, those who commune are baptized into the Christian faith. If you are not baptized and would like to learn more about what it means to be baptized and share in the meal at the Lord's Supper Table, please talk with Pastor Tera.

Communion Hymn - #496 One Bread, One Body

Prayer after Communion

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn - #813 Faith of Our Fathers

Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God.

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Please remember the following people in your prayers: Marlene Robbins,
Melinda, Tara Henry, Craig, Ray Berg, Anne Balko, Arlene Posont, Jonnie True,
Doug, Heidi Prunick, Duray Murk, Paul Gollinger, Jack Cocoran, Bob Gamelin,
Diane, Susan, Donny, Gary, Phil, Amanda Jacks, and Family of Paul Larmour.

Nursing Home: Jim LeVeque, and Babe Strand.

Assisted Living: Norma Secreast

In Service: Airman Craig Oas, Ryan Graves, Zac Culter, Mike Knickerbocker,
Peter Peterson, Mathew Moilanen, Michael Graves, Airman Mikala Robinson, and
our veterans who have returned to their communities.

Please fill out a prayer list form to add or remove people from the prayer list.

- PRESIDING MINISTER:** Pastor Tera Kossow
- ASSISTING MINISTER:** George Balko – Saturday Lori Mattson - Sunday
- USHERS:** Carol & Dave Eglsaer – Saturday Volunteer Needed -
Sunday
- FELLOWSHIP HOST:** Emily Cook
- ALTAR GUILD:** Joanie Hinsa
- MUSICIAN:** Tari Johnson

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Saturday, November 5th - Saturday Worship Service – 5:00pm - In-person
Sunday, November 6th - Sunday Worship – 10:30am- In-person and on Facebook Live

Feeding America will be at Eden on Wed. Nov. 2nd. During this visit they will be offering flu vaccines and covid boosters. No prescription is needed for either shot. Please bring an insurance card and photo ID. If you would like to volunteer with food distribution, please be at church around 11 a.m.

Eden needs your support! Please sign up in the narthex to be an **Usher, Assisting minister, or Host the Fellowship** after the service.

There is an order form in the narthex if you would like to purchase poinsettia plants. Please order by Nov. 6th, pay when placing order, delivery date is December 1st.

Confirmation Classes resume on Sunday, November 6th from noon to 2pm for 2nd year students, and Sunday, November 13th from noon to 2pm for 1st year students.

2nd Wednesday Book Group will meet on **November 9th** at both **Noon and 6:30pm**. The November book is "Night" by Elie Wiesel and is available in the church office for \$5.00. All are welcome!

The ELC Supper Club meets the 4th Wednesday of the month @ 5:00pm in the church kitchen. Share supper and fellowship with others. Sign up in the narthex if you would like to be the Host or if you are planning on attending. **Next meeting is November 23rd.**

Morning Prayer Group meets Tuesdays from 9-10:30am. All are welcome.

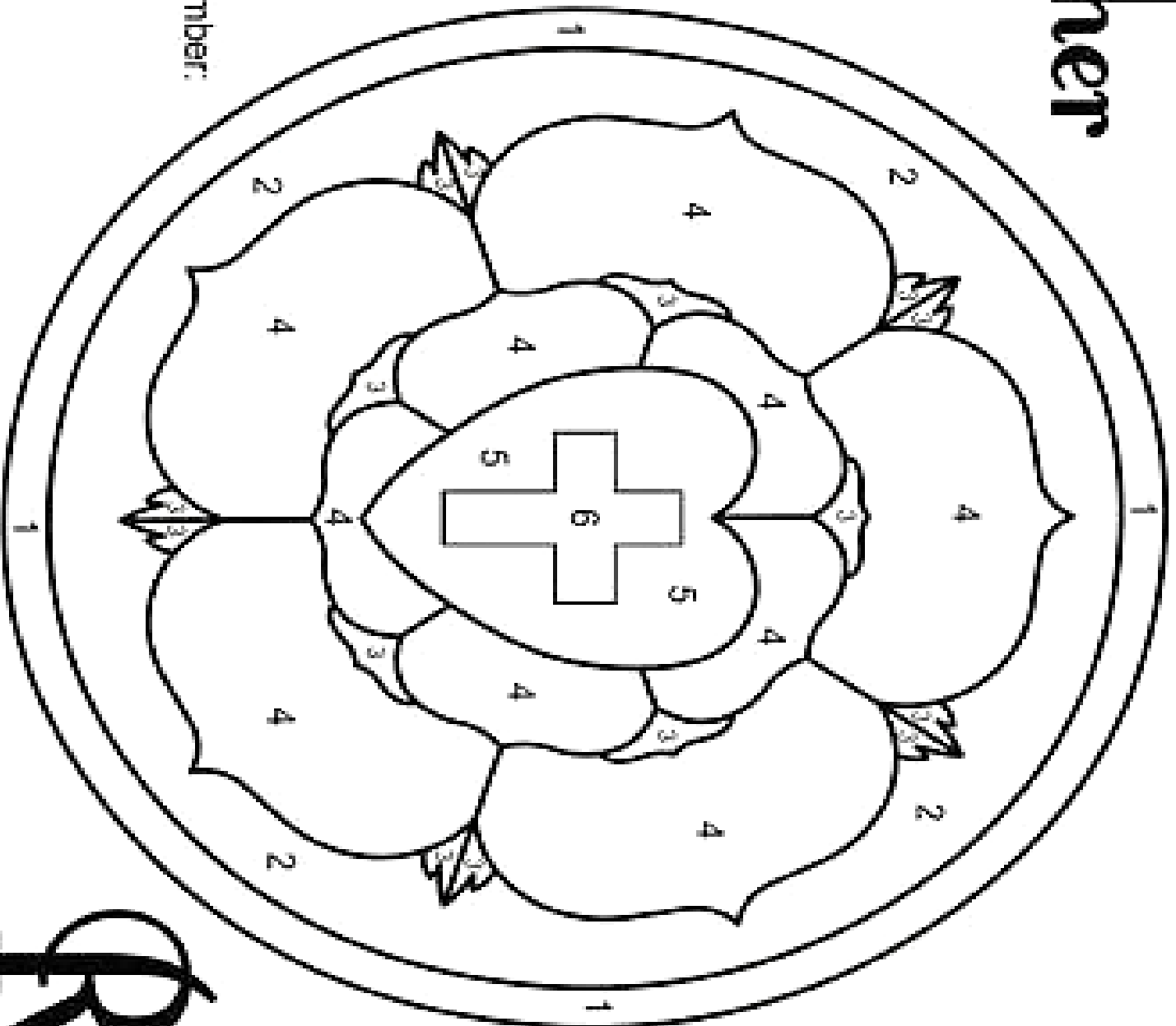
Anyone wanting to watch the Luther movie on DVD can speak to Pastor Tera to borrow a copy, available in the office.

FEED THE PIG to help pay for extra plowing for Feeding America distribution.

We continue to collect Family Fare receipts for the "Direct Your Dollars" Program. Please drop off your receipts at Eden. The entire receipt is required. Thank you!

For Pastoral Care needs, please contact Pastor Tera Kossow at
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- 1: Yellow
- 2: Blue
- 3: Green
- 4: White
- 5: Red
- 6: Black

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