

If you abide in my
word, you are truly
my disciples
John 8:31

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Reformation Sunday
Oct. 30, 2022



UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES
All Saints Day – Nov. 6

WORSHIP LEADERS

	Oct. 30	Nov. 6
Assit. Min./ Comm. Assit.	Mark Wisler	Judy Mills
Crucifer		
Acolyte		
Lector	Ruth Ober	Judy Mills
Ushers	Fred & Crystal Lepley	John & Kandi Null
Musician	Dcn. Arica Demme	Rosemary Keller
Altar Guild	Barb Wisler	Kathy Miller
Sound Tech.	Terry Miller	Chaz Stroup
Offering Counters	Ken Hollinger/Fred Lepley	Sandy Tippett/Lee Mills
Livestream	Mason & Sandy Tippett	Mark Wisler/Kris Brill

Oct. 23, 2022
ATTENDANCE - 50

“CRY ROOM AVAILABILITY”

For parents with children younger than one year, there is a “Cry Room” near the front entrance if you would need to use that during the worship service.

Please maintain silence for meditation as soon as the candles are lit until the beginning of the service.

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

The assembly stands (if able)

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Matthew 28:19b [18:20]

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8-9*

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*

C: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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
 vour 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!

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 Tune: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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APOSTOLIC 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

B 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. For you a - lone are the
 Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptation, defend them against all enemies of your Word, and bestow upon 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**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

The
Word
of God

The First Reading is from the 14th chapter of Revelation

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

⁶I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Brief silence for reflection.

The Psalm is read responsively.

Psalm 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present^[b] help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**

³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵ God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.

**6 The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

7 The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**8 Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.

**10 "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"**

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Brief silence for reflection.

The Second Reading is from the 3rd chapter of Romans

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it — ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Brief silence for reflection.

The assembly stands (if able) to welcome the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:68



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 8:31-36

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The assembly stands (if able).

The Church's One Foundation

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.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900
 Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876

APOSTLE'S CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the
virgin Mary.

He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all
people according to their needs.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these or similar words:

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

The prayers conclude:

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting
in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say,
"Peace be with you," or similar words.*

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Ps. 104:14-15; Is. 25:6; Cor. 5:7



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. 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. Grace our ta - ble



with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And al-so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]

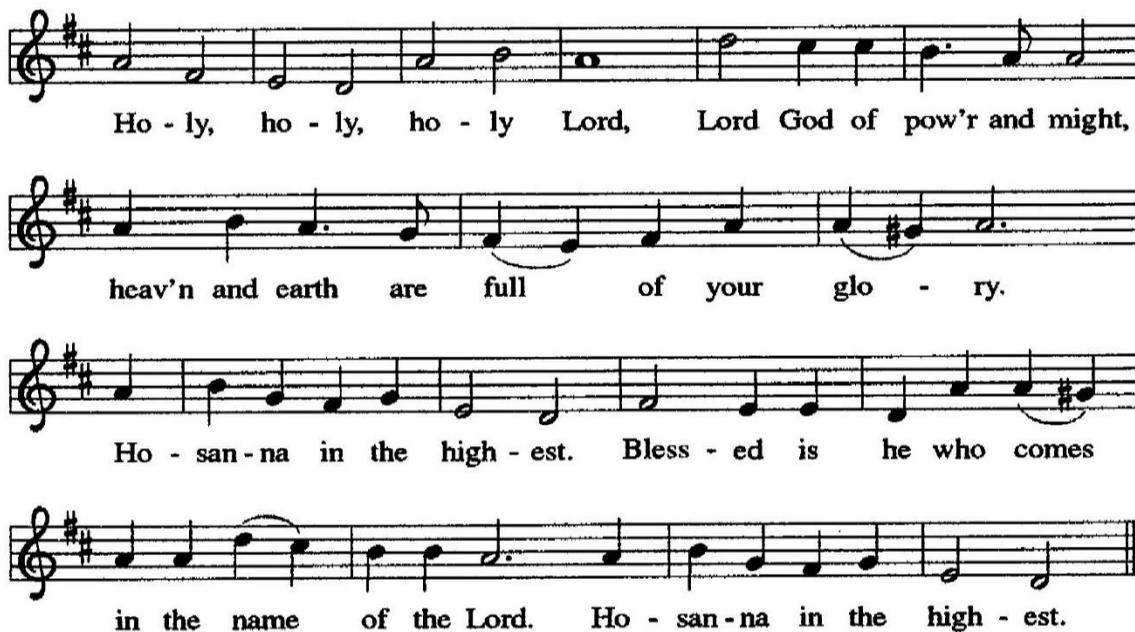


C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

The assembly is seated.

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29



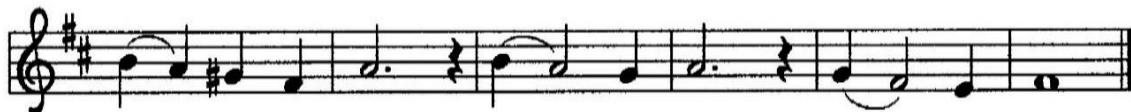
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine.

HOW WE COMMUNE: When you come forward the pastor will first give you bread to eat. Then, take a cup from the tray. The assistant will pour in wine to drink. Afterward, you will place the empty cup in the water in the plastic container at the side aisle, and return to your seat.

If you are unable to consume wine, you may commune with only the bread. Unbaptized and those who have yet to receive first communion may come forward to receive a blessing. Signify by holding your hands to your chest instead of reaching out for the bread and wine.

The assembly stands (if able) when everyone has received the sacrament.

BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43; 1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ❖ give you peace. **C: Amen**

SENDING HYMN

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of
 3 Grant, we pray, to all Your faith - ful, All the gifts they
 Δ 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Praise and hon - or

cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and stay; Come with all Your lov - ing - kind - ness,
 ask to gain; What they gain from You, for - ev - er
 to the Son, Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,

Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
 Hear Your peo - ple as they pray; And Your full - est
 With the bless - ed to re - tain; And here - af - ter
 Ev - er three and ev - er one: One in might and

help for - ev - er And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in Your glo - ry Ev - er - more with You to reign.
 one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.
 Music: Henry Purcell, 1659–95, adapt.

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Eph. 2:20–22; 4:15–16; 2 Chron. 6:18–21; Rev. 21:1–4

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES (conti.)

Become a Prayer Chain participant: Prayer Chain participants are emailed prayer updates. Please email Judy Mills (jmills.email@comcast.net) with your request, to be included in Prayer Chain updates, preferred email address, or request removal from Prayer Chain participation.

Prayer edits for published names in the Sunday bulletin: Aside from our homebound, names remain published for one month. If you would like to continue another month, or have new persons added, or desire to have a name removed from the list please contact Rose Keller at (717) 333-1448 or email rose.a.keller@gmail.com OR contact Pastor Mark at (717) 947-4284.

AROUND THE WORD DEVOTIONS



Around the Word publishes a weekly devotion with daily meditations. These devotions include a Psalm, Verse, Prayer, and Hymn of the Week, as well as the order of devotion from the Small Catechism. You can download the most recent devotion by going to our website (www.reformation-nalc.org) and clicking on the link, or sign-up to receive these devotions by email.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements for the bulletin about upcoming events should be emailed to rose.a.keller@gmail.com **AND** pastor@reformation-nalc.org or you can call Rosemary Keller (717-333-1448) or Pastor Mark (717-947-4284) no later than **Sunday** by 6:00 pm. The events will then be added to the bulletin. It is always helpful to let us know how long you want the announcement to run. See Rosemary Keller with any questions.



STEWARDSHIP



Offering plates are not passed during the service, they are located on a table in the back of the nave. You may also mail checks to Sandy Tippett, 3377 Horizon Drive, Lancaster PA 17603.

COFFEE TIME

Enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship after worship and before Sunday school. If you would like to sign-up for a Sunday to host Coffee Time, it's as simple as bringing store bought snacks, If you like to bake, homemade goodies are always welcome! If you have any questions about Coffee Time, see Joan Hollinger or Rose Bennett for the details. See you at Coffee Time!



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School for the older youth class will be starting TODAY after the worship service.

Facebook and Instagram Users

Help advertise our church and its activities by "liking" or following us in Facebook and Instagram. Our Facebook page is [Reformation Lutheran Church NALC – Lancaster PA](#), and our Instagram page is [reformation.lutheran.church](#).



LOVE INC OPPORTUNITY

Are you interested in meeting the needs of neighbors in your community? Consider joining the Love INC team as a volunteer. (No pressure is put on volunteers for any request.) Many people with needs are referred to us by social service agencies, the medical community, schools and pastors. We need volunteers to provide transportation to appointments, household help, meals, minor repairs, friendly visitation and so much more. Other volunteer opportunities include doing intake calls in our community call center or working as a budget coach or mentor in our Homes of Hope program. For more information, contact Judi Reeder 717 341 7821.



Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETING

Social Ministry Meeting – Nov. 6 @ 11:30

PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM PRESENTATION

The co-chairs of the Prayer Ministry Team at Reformation Lutheran Church, Culpeper, VA, Marty Schwenzer and Jerrie Rosenfeld, will make a presentation at our fellowship time TODAY. Some of us heard these two ladies and two other members of their prayer team give a presentation on prayer ministry at our Mission District Convocation last year. We were inspired to hear how the Holy Spirit uses their prayer ministry in the life of their congregation. We have asked them to describe how their prayer ministry was formed and organized, and how it has impacted their congregation.



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY



We will be remembering any church members who have been called home to be with the Lord in the last year on All Saints' Day, Nov. 6th. If there are any friends and family that have been called home in the past year that you would like included during our prayers on All Saints' Day, Nov. 6th, please let Pastor Mark or Rosemary Keller know.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH

November Lunch Bunch will be on November 8 at 10:00 in fellowship hall. We will have lunch at Isaacs. Signup at the back of the church or call Judi Reeder 717 341 7821.



REFORMATION WEBSITE

In an effort to make sure our website is up to date and relevant, we encourage anyone who attends events to take pictures (landscape, please) and email them to Sandy Tippet at sjt2009@icloud.com. Our website plays an important part in attracting new members.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who came to listen to Dorothy Dulo and Roger Godfrey last Sunday. For the remainder of October, we will continue to collect contributions toward the \$250 to help with the food for the Lighthouse Academy. If you wish to make a donation to this fund, please put your contribution in an envelope labeled "Rafiki Lighthouse Academy." Make checks payable to Reformation Lutheran Church.

Faith Friendship Ministries Director to Visit Reformation on November 6th

We will welcome Tammi Morris, Executive Director of Faith Friendship Ministries, to speak on Sunday, November 6th, in Fellowship Hall after coffee time. She will share with us how this local Christian ministry in Mountville provides supportive care and residential services primarily to those with mental health issues and limited resources. Reformation has been supporting this ministry financially for 10 years. Since 2013, we have had a Christmas Eve party each year for the people who live at Faith Friendship Villa. We hope to continue the tradition this Christmas Eve 2022, after having to cancel it these past two years because of Covid.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDERS

Worship and Music committee is once again offering our Christmas Poinsettia / building fund sponsorship for Christmas this year. We are offering red and white poinsettia's this year. Please see insert form and specify color of poinsettia's you wish to order and return to Rosemary Keller or June Kreider. **DO NOT PLACE ORDER FORM AND MONEY IN THE OFFERING PLATE.** We will need to have your poinsettia order no later than November 27, 2022. Thank you for supporting our building fund fundraiser.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NEXT SUNDAY, NOV. 6TH

Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour



REFORMATION NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

November Birthdays

Sonya Zook	November 1
Dave Morehead	November 5
Scott Ober	November 20
Steve Wisler	November 28
Harper Kline	November 29
Kathy McDermott	November 29



November Anniversaries

John and Sandy Tippett	November 7
Fred and Chris Lepley	November 8
Bill and Pat Seigford	November 17
Lee and Judy Mills	November 21
John and Linda Wohlberg	November 29

Seventy-four disciples of the Atlantic Mission Region gathered over two days at Annapolis evangelical Lutheran Church, Edgewater, MD on October 21 & 22, 2022 for the annual regional Convocation. The theme for this year was "Trust the LORD in Anxious Times." Sixty-six gathered in person and eight attended virtually.

Presentations were made by the **Rev. Dan Schaefer** and **Rebecca Johnson** on *A Christian Response to Anxiety and Fear*. **Officer Dan Schaefer** led the assembly in understanding emergency preparedness on a congregational level (briefly covering natural disasters, medical emergencies, active shooter, etc.) A copy of his book *The Church Emergency Handbook: All Hazards Emergency Management for Houses of Worship* was gifted to each congregation by the AMR. Assistant to the Bishop of the Eastern Area the **Rev. Dr. Bill White** spoke to the assembly about the new restructuring of the NALC and what it means for us as a Region.

The 2023 Ministry Spending Plan was approved. The assembly approved the \$58,950 Ministry Plan as presented.

Lutheran Military Veterans & Families Ministries was the spotlight Ministry Partner this year. The Rev. Leslie Haines (Major) spoke to the assembly about LMVFM and the work they do with veterans both past and present and how vital their work is. Service dog Patrick Dooley was also present and was enjoyed by all who visited him.

Financial gifts were given to the Lutheran Military Veterans & Families Ministries (\$1,210), Disaster Response (\$1,040), Annapolis ELC (\$100), and the NALS (\$50). The NALC also received \$500 from the AMR as an honorarium for the work done at this Convocation by our assistant to the Bishop for the Eastern Area the Rev. Dr. Bill White.

We heard a presentation from the Renewal & Discipleship Ministry Team re: **Having a Discipleship Conversation**. A follow up conversation on GoToMeeting is being planned for November 5.

Stuff the Truck for NALC Disaster Response! The truck was filled with health kits, school kits, flood buckets, blankets, Bibles, rakes, shovels, and gift cards. THANK YOU! All donations were taken to the warehouses in Middle River, MD and Elmer, NJ.

Worship: We opened the Convocation with a contemporary Eucharist led by the Worship Team from Trinity ELC, Joppa, MD with AMR dean the Rev. Steve Shipman preaching. Northeast Mission District dean the Rev. Gregory Davidson led us in Compline on Friday evening. We opened Saturday with a traditional Eucharist with the Rev. Mark Metze presiding and the Rev. Dr. Bill White preaching.

Mission District Meetings: The assembly broke into Mission Districts on Friday night and enjoyed fellowship with each other.

Fellowship! There were plenty of opportunities for fellowship at this year's Convocation. There was scheduled free time for networking and to visit the Ministry Partner and vendor displays. We also enjoyed an ice cream social on Friday evening. Yum!

Informal Bible Study: Assistant to the Bishop the Rev. Dr. Bill White led an informal Bible study for anyone interested in attending on Friday morning before the Convocation began.

Women's Conference: The Women of Atlantic Mission Region held their fourth Women's Conference on Friday morning in which they worked together to assemble 123 school kits for NALC Disaster Response. They also had sharing time, a Bible study, worship, and a visit from NALC Disaster Response coordinator Mary Bates.

The 2023 AMR Convocation will be held on October 20-21 at St. Paul Lutheran Church (250 Trinity Rd.), York, PA. A **Women's Conference** is also being planned for October 20 prior to the Convocation. Mark your calendars!

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CORE VALUES OF THE NALC

Christ-Centered

We confess the apostolic faith in Jesus Christ according to the Holy Scriptures. We affirm the authority of the Scriptures as the authoritative source and norm, “according to which all doctrines should and must be judged” (Formula of Concord). We accept the ecumenical creeds and the Lutheran Confessions as true witnesses to the Word of God.

Mission-Driven

We believe that the mission of the Church is to preach the Gospel and to make disciples for Christ. We believe that making disciples — in our congregations, in our communities and nations, and around the world — must be a priority of the Church in the present age.

Traditionally-Grounded

We affirm the ecumenical creeds and the faithful witness of the Church across time and space. We endorse the form and practices of the universal Church that are consistent with Scripture, particularly the office of the ministry and the tradition of worship under Word and Sacrament. We seek dialogue and fellowship with other Lutheran churches and with faithful Christians of other confessions.

Congregationally-Focused

We strive to be a church body that is organized to facilitate the ministries of local congregations in a posture of servanthood and a spirit of partnership, through the provision of resources, connections and information.



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