

2023

“Gloria In Excelsis Deo”

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER
 PENTECOST

**Outdoor worshipers, tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to
 hear and join in today's Worship service**

*Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
 ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
 worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness.
 Psalm 29:1, 2*

Call Statement:*“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”***Mission Statement:**

*“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships
 so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”*

WELCOME AND PRAYER**BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

All: Amen.

Leader: 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.

All: Amen.

Leader: 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....Most merciful God,

All: 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.

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and, for His sake, forgives you all your 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.

All: Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you**

(Share the Peace of the LORD with each other)

HYMN

LBW#412

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Verse 1

Sing to the Lord of harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices Your alleluias raise.
By Him the rolling seasons In fruitful order move;
sing to the Lord of harvest A Joyous song of love.

Verse 2

God makes the clouds drop fatness,
The deserts bloom and spring,
The hill leap up in gladness, The valleys laugh and sing,
God fills them with His fullness,
All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with goodness,
With plenty and with peace.

Verse 3

Bring to this sacred altar
The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest,
The souls Christ died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him Who gave His life for all.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

All: **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Dearest God and Lord

All: **Strengthen and uphold us in Your pure, precious Word
through Jesus Christ our Lord, and help us to show**

and live our thanks with our fruits of faith to Your
praise and thanks forever. Amen. Martin Luther

LESSONS

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Psalms 96:1-9

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

Ascribe, Sing, Declare

SONG

How Great Is Our God

Verse 1

The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice.

Chorus

How great is our God!
Sing with me: How great is our God!
And all will see how great, How great is our God!

Verse 2

And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son.
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb.

BRIDGE

Name above all names,
Worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing:
How great is our God!
(repeat)

APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

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 INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer..

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .) Lord, in your mercy;*

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: . . . Accept, O Lord, the prayers of Your faithful people for the well being of Your holy Church throughout the world. Govern and sanctify it, with all its pastors and ministers, by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be kept by Your Word in true Faith and fervent love toward You and one another.

All: Amen.

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**All: 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.**

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you by His grace unto life everlasting.

All: Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God,

**All: We give You thanks, that You have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life; and we
pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us,
through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love
toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

**All: Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have
compassion on broken and lost people around me.**

Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen.

SONG

Blessed Be Your Name

Verse 1

Blessed be Your name In the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow,
Blessed be Your name.

Verse 2

Blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness,
Blessed be Your name.

Pre-chorus

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

Chorus

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be Your glorious name."

Verse 3

Blessed be Your name When the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's "all as it should be."
Blessed be Your name.

Verse 4

Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name.

BRIDGE

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

CCLI #1796647

NEXT SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2023

Reformation Sunday

Affirmation of Baptism Celebration followed by Luncheon

All are invited to wear RED in Celebration of the Day

Readings for Next Sunday

Revelation 14:6-7 Psalm 46 Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

FAITH IN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



1603 Moorefield Road, Springfield, Ohio 45503

Phone - (937) 399-4134 Fax - (937) 342-4766

e-mail address - ficlc@sbcglobal.net (Church Office)

e-mail address - ficpr@sbcglobal.net (Pastor)

Website: www.ficlc.net

October 22, 2023

Attend: 34

Offering \$1,985.00



Next Sunday October 29, 2023

Confirmation Celebration on Reformation Sunday

We will be celebrating the Affirmation of Faith of
Terra and Aria on Reformation Sunday.
Join us following the worship service for a
Celebration Luncheon.

Please sign-up in the Narthex with name and number attending
to help planning for the Luncheon.