

# St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School

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Reformation Sunday

Today's Focus:

**GOD'S WORD – HIS TOOL FOR OUR REFORMATION!**

**OPENING HYMN 373 v1-4** (Red Hymnal)

By Grace I'm Saved, Grace Free and Boundless

**THE ORDER OF HIS DIVINE SERVICE – Red Hymnal, Page 15**

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

**Jeremiah 16:14-16** (not on back) "Tools" described for us in the Bible point us to a simple truth!

**CONGREGATION and ADULT CHOIR – "Thy Strong Word"**

1. Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; at Thy speaking it was done;  
For created light we thank Thee While Thine ordered seasons run: **Chorus**  
*Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to Thee, who light dost send!*  
*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia without end!*
2. Lo, on men who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death,  
Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life breathing breath: **Chorus**
3. Thy strong word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness,  
Glorious now we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess: **Chorus**
4. From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;  
From the cross forever beameth All Thy bright redeeming light: **Chorus**
5. Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,  
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name: **Chorus**
6. God the Father, Light Creator, To Thee laud and honor be;  
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally;  
*Holy Spirit, Light Revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee;*  
*Men and angels, now and ever Praise the Holy Trinity.*

**Ephesians 2:19-22** (not on back) Christ is the sure foundation on which God builds His Church!

**CONFESSION OF FAITH, Red Hymnal Page 22 - Nicene Creed**

The Nicene Creed was written to defend the Bible's teaching that the MAN Jesus Christ is TRUE God.

**HYMN 262** (Red Hymnal)

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*



**SERMON – NKJ Titus 3:4** But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, 5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, 6 whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

**HYMN 370** (Red Hymnal)

*My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

**THEME: The Electric Generator of God's Word and Sacraments**

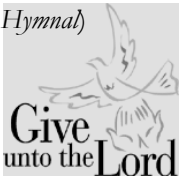
**THE OFFERTORY, Red Hymnal – Page 22**

**HYMN 373 v5-7** (Red Hymnal)

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**OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD – Sing 441 v. 1, 2** (Red Hymnal)

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

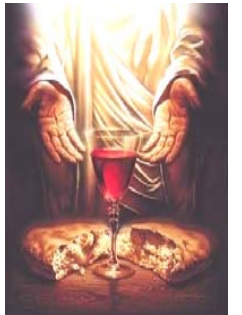


**THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT – Red Hymnal, Page 24**

**VISITORS**

*Individual PRE/POST Communion Prayer – In the front of Red Hymnal pg. 118*

The Lord's Supper is a gracious way in which our Savior comes to us to strengthen our faith in Him. By taking the Lord's Supper together, the members of this church proclaim that we are "of one mind" together in Christ. As the scripture says: "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment," and "For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread" (1 Cor. 1:10; 10:17). Out of love for God's Word it is for this reason we ask that communicant members of St. Stephen or a sister church of the "Church of the Lutheran Confession" come forward at this point at the direction of the ushers. (Our pastor would be happy to speak with you after the service if you have any questions.)



*Red Hymnal Page 29, THANKSGIVING (The Nunc Dimittis) / BENEDICTION*

**CLOSING HYMN 371 v1-2, 6-7** (Red Hymnal)

*Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*

## NEWS and NOTES

**Welcome visitors!** We are very happy that you are here with us today and invite you to come again! Please sign our guest book in the entryway. If you have questions about our church and school please ask us!

**-Today:** Please join us in our celebration of the Reformation by staying for lunch with us!

**-Tuesday: 10am Bible Study** this week continues with our study of the Gospel of John 6 and 7.

**-Call News:** Stephen Sydow, Eau Claire WI, has declined the call to Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild WI. <> Prof. John Ude, Eau Claire WI, has accepted the call to serve during the vacancy.

**Scripture Lessons for next week:** (Series B) Psalm 126; Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:46-52