



PRELUDE | Handbells

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

All Sing:

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

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

P: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

All Sing:

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

L: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; God speaks and the earth melts.

P: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

L: Come, behold the works of the Lord!

P: God makes wars cease to the end of the earth; God breaks the bow, shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

All Sing:

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God has willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.

L: Be still, and know that the Lord is God!

P: God is exalted among the nations; God is exalted in the earth.

L: The Lord of hosts is with us;

P: The God of Jacob is our refuge.

All Sing:

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth;
let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

SONG | In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING | Romans 1:17

*For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith,
as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."*

SECOND READING | Ephesians 2:8

*For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.*

THIRD READING | 1 Peter 2:5

*you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood,
to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

FOURTH READING | 2 Timothy 3:16

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof,
for correction, and for training in righteousness.*

FIFTH READING | Matthew 11:29-30

*Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG | Psalm 46

Verse 1: Oh, come behold the works of God, the nations at His feet
He breaks the bow and bends the spear, And tells the wars to cease
Oh, mighty One of Israel, You are on our side
We walk by faith in God who burns the chariots with fire

CHORUS: Lord of Hosts, You're with us, With us in the fire
With us as a shelter, With us in the storm
You will lead us Through the fiercest battle
Oh, where else would we go But with the Lord of Hosts

Verse 2: Oh, God of Jacob, fierce and great, You lift Your voice to speak
The earth, it bows, And all the mountains move into the sea
Oh Lord, You know the hearts of men And still you let them live
Oh God, who makes the mountains melt, Come wrestle us and win
Oh God, who makes the mountains melt, Come wrestle us and win CHORUS

BRIDGE : Though oceans roar, You are the Lord of all
The One who calms the wind and waves and makes my heart be still
Though the earth gives way, the mountains move into the sea
The nations rage, I know my God is in control BRIDGE CHORUS 2x

SERMON | Pastor Josh Brown

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING | Ways to give

In-person

Place your offering in the baskets near the exit doors

By mail

Send a check to St. Lukes Lutheran Church
3835 Lakeside Drive, Reno, NV 89509

Online

Visit stlukesreno.org/give to use a debit or credit card for a one-time donation or to schedule a recurring gift

Text Giving

Text the word "give" to 844.932.2224 and set up an account to donate quickly and easily

SPECIAL MUSIC | Handbells

COMMUNION

PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

SONG | The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with the God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

GO IN PEACE

L: Go in peace.

P: Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!