

# 10 AM Sunday Worship, October 27, 2024 Reformation Sunday with a Celebration of Confirmation

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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The cover of our bulletin today features Luther's rose. The symbolism of the Luther rose goes back to the 1520s. Luther explained that the red heart with the black cross at the center should remind us that the righteous live by faith in Christ the Crucified. The heart rests on a white rose to show that faith gives joy, comfort and peace. The rose is white, not red, because white is the color of heavenly spirits and angels. The white rose stands in a field of blue, the color of heaven, to show that joy in the spirit and in faith in this life is only the beginning of future heavenly joy. Surrounding the sky-blue field is a gold ring to show that happiness and joy in heaven has no end but lasts forever, just as gold is the highest, most noble and precious metal.

### **Gathering: The Holy Spirit Gathers Us in Worship**

#### Welcome

Good morning and welcome to worship at Emmanuel Lutheran Church! You can find bulletins and ways to give online at <a href="https://www.elcvienna.org">www.elcvienna.org</a>. We invite newcomers to stop by our welcome center just outside of the sanctuary after worship.

#### "Together in God's Love" Fall Stewardship Drive Video

#### **Invocation**

Pastor: On this Reformation Sunday, we are gathered in the name of the Father,  $\pm$  the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

### **Processional Song\***

Majestic

Verse
O Lord our Lord
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth
O Lord our Lord
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth

Chorus 1
The heavens declare Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You
The mountains they bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth



#### And I'll give my praise to You

#### Bridge

I will worship You I will worship You I will worship You I will worship You

We will worship You We will worship You

#### Chorus 2

The heavens declare Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You
The mountains they bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth and I'll sing
The heavens declare Your greatness
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So I'll join with the earth
And I'll give my praise to You

Lincoln Brewster. CCLI Song #4573308.

## **Faith Statement by Ashley Bond**

# **Testify To Love\***

Chorus
For as long as I shall live
I will testify to love
I'll be a witness in the silences
When words are not enough
With ev'ry breath I take
I will give thanks to God above
For as long as I shall live
I will testify (to love)

Henk Pool, Paul Field, Ralph Van Manen, Robert Riekerk CCLI Song #2572844

# Faith Statement by Erika Dix



### **Shout To The North\***

Chorus
Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Martin Smith CCLI Song #1562261

#### **Faith Statement by Lily Edwards**

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#### **Faith Statement by Noah Henderson**

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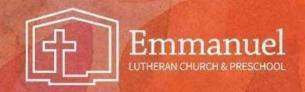
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# Faith Statement by Talia Prinsen



### **Special Music\***

A Mighty Fortress

#### Verse 1

Our God is a consuming fire
A burning holy flame with glory and freedom
Our God is the only righteous judge
Ruling over us with kindness and wisdom

#### Pre-Chorus

And we will keep our eyes on You We will keep our eyes on You

#### Chorus

A mighty fortress is our God A sacred refuge is Your name Your Kingdom is unshakable And with You forever we will reign

#### Verse 2

Our God is jealous for His own None could comprehend His love and His mercy Our God is exalted on His throne High above the heavens forever He is worthy

#### Bridge

We will keep our eyes on You We will keep our eyes on You So we can set our hearts on You Lord we will set our hearts on You

#### Ending

With You forever we will reign With You forever we will reign

Christy Nockels, Nathan Nockels. CCLI Song #5488935.



### **Confirmation: The Affirmation of Baptism**

#### **Presentation of the Confirmands**

Kathy Uffelman: I present Ashley Bond, Erika Dix, Lily Edwards, Trent Gray, Gavin Helmstetter, Noah Henderson, Connor McCulloch, and Talia Prinsen as they desire to confirm their faith by making public affirmation of their baptism.

Kathy Uffelman: Let us pray...Merciful God, we thank you for these confirmands, 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 your servants 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. **All: Amen.** 

#### **Profession of Faith**

Pastor Lydia: I ask all gathered here to profess our 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, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw us away from God?

All: We renounce them.

Pastor Lydia: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

All: 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 to the dead. 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.

Pastor Lydia: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: 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.

#### Affirmation in the Presence of the Assembly

Pastor Tony: Confirmands, you have made a 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 Confirmand: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor Tony: People of God, do you promise to support our confirmands and pray for them in their life in Christ?

All: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

#### Individual Prayer of Blessing and Laying on of Hands

Kathy/Christian: Let us pray. [Individual blessing and then] 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.

Pastor Lydia/Pastor Tony: Stir up in [name] 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. Amen.

#### **Congregational Acclamation**

Christian: Let us rejoice with these siblings in Christ.

All: 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.

Christian: It is with great joy that we present to you our newest confirmed siblings in Jesus Christ. Let us receive them as coworkers in the kingdom giving our applause in encouragement to them and glory to God!

# Hymn of the Day

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

**ELW 836** 

- Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee,



center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1922

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Leader: Let us pray. Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the sustaining goodness of your creation, for the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness, for the gifts of relationship with others, for the communion of faith in your church.

Leader: Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all. We especially pray for those who govern nations of the world, for the people in countries in need of peace, for all who work for the care of creation, and for members of our community...

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

All: Amen.

#### **Peace**

Leader: May the peace of the risen Lord be with you always!

All: And Also with you.

Leader: Let us share signs of peace.

### Offering

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry are received and can be made at <u>elcvienna.org/give</u> or mailed to the church. Ushers will receive the offering in person. Every gift matters!



### **Offering Music**

All Good Gifts by Natalie Sleeth. CCLI 12736. Ashton Schaffer, Director

#### Meal: Jesus Gives Us Forgiveness and Life

Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And 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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

#### The Lord's Prayer

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

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, all are welcome! **All: Thanks be to God!** 

#### **Communion Instructions**

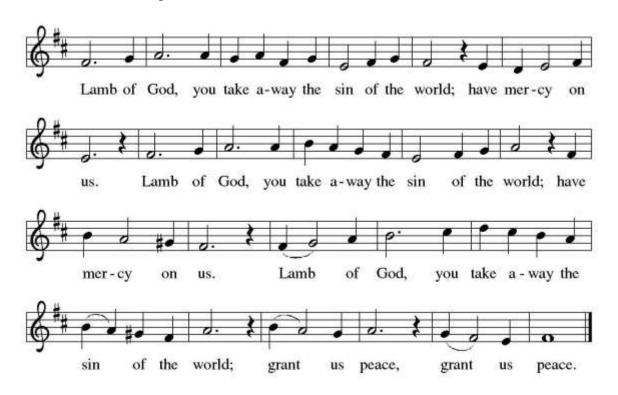
All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be dipped in wine and handed out. If you would prefer only a wafer, please let us know as you receive. Pre-sealed sets are available along with gluten-free wafers. We have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communing children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have communed.



#### **Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, Setting 4

ELW S 154



#### **Communion Music**

"Thy Strong Word" by Thomas J. Williams. Public domain.

# Sending: The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Mission to the World

# **Invitation to Ministry**

As the Spirit leads us out into mission in the world, we invite you to join us in our ministries. We invite our newcomers to stop by the welcome table just outside the sanctuary to connect and learn more about the work of our congregation.

# Blessing

Pastor: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

### **Sending Hymn**

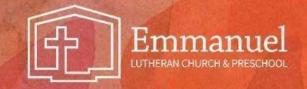
A Mighty Fortress

**ELW 504** 



- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious; he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might!
  We would be lost, rejected.
  But now a champion comes to fight,
  whom God himself elected.
  You ask who this may be?
  The Lord of hosts is he!
  Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
  God's only Son, adored.
  He holds the field victorious.
  - 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r us.
    Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
    His might is doomed to fail;
    God's judgment must prevail!
    One little word subdues him.
  - 4 God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

Onelicense.net #88708. Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship.



### Sending

Leader: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

#### **Postlude**

"Ein feste Burg" by Barbara Harbach. One License AF20201168.

### Thank you so much for worshipping with us!

#### **Our Mission and Vision**

Our mission is to nurture, grow, and share our Christian faith as Lutherans in a multicultural world. We envision Emmanuel Lutheran Church as a welcoming, vibrant, growing, and faith-filled Christian community whose participants generously share their time, talents, and resources in a changing world.

#### **Our Welcome Statement**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church welcomes all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome and affirm full participation by all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, culture, national origin, citizenship status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, relationship or socio-economic status, addictions, physical or mental health, disability, imprisonment, age, or other circumstances. OUR UNITY IS IN CHRIST.

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