

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2026

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE LIVE AND WORSHIP ON THE UNCEDED TRADITION TERRITORY OF THE KWIKWETLEM FIRST NATION, WHICH LIES WITHIN THE SHARED TERRITORIES OF THE TSLEIL-WAUTUTH, KATZIE, MUSQUEAM, SQUAMISH AND STÓL:LŌ NATIONS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE CARED FOR THIS LAND SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL AS WE SEEK TO JOURNEY TOWARDS A MEANINGFUL RECONCILIATION.

Liturgy: Now the Feast

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Welcome, Announcements and Land Acknowledgement

Thanksgiving for Baptism

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Siblings in Jesus,
in the waters of your baptism
you have been born again.

Your past, your sin, your failure, your doubt,
are drowned, here, at this font.

Your fear, your self-righteousness, your despair,
are washed away by grace.

Your pride, your hypocrisy, and other people's opinions of you
no longer define you.

Christ lives in you now,
and the Spirit empowers you,
to worship,
to fellowship,
to witness,
to serve,
and to strive for justice and peace
wherever you go.

So rejoice that God has claimed you
befriended you in Jesus
and welcomed you into God's family
not by your own doing or believing
but by God's mercy alone.

And as we begin our worship
let us give thanks to God for the gracious gift of baptism
and pray for God to stir up in us now the gifts of the 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 God's presence,
both now and forever.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God.

Gathering Hymn ACS # 956 - Born, Reborn

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

For your

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

Hymn of Praise – Now the Feast

Refrain:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre - a - tion

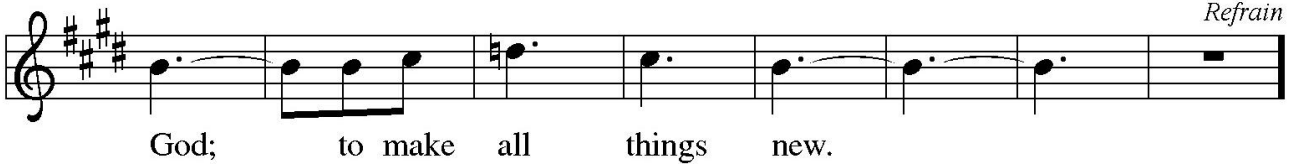
sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

Verses:

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



Salutation



Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Children's Time

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

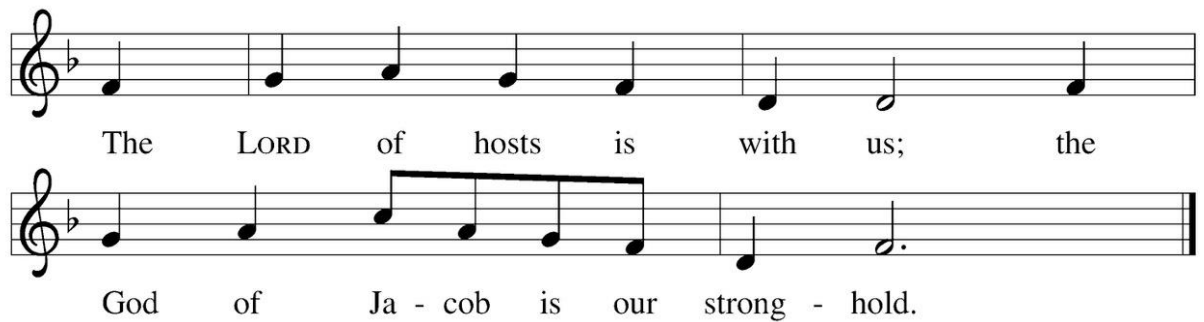
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

Refrain:



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

C: Refrain

L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.
The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

C: Refrain

L: Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

C: Refrain

L: 'Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.'
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

C: Refrain

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10 & Ephesians 4:1-6

The words of this letter stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which

he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Verse

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, 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 John, the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' They answered him, 'We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free"?'

Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there for ever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day ACS # 1048 - Founded on Faith

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

*After each petition, the pastor will say "Reforming God" and the congregation will respond "**hear our prayer.**"*

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

All are invited to share a sign of peace with those around them, as we recognize the image of God in each other.

Meal

<i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ</i>

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Presider: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And al - so with

you. Lift up your hearts. We

lift them to the Lord. Let us give

thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is our duty and delight...
the pastor continues, concluding...
 ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Pastor prays and concludes...

P: Amen, come, Lord Jesus. Amen, come, Lord Jesus.

C: **Amen, come, Lord Jesus. Amen, come, Lord Jesus.**

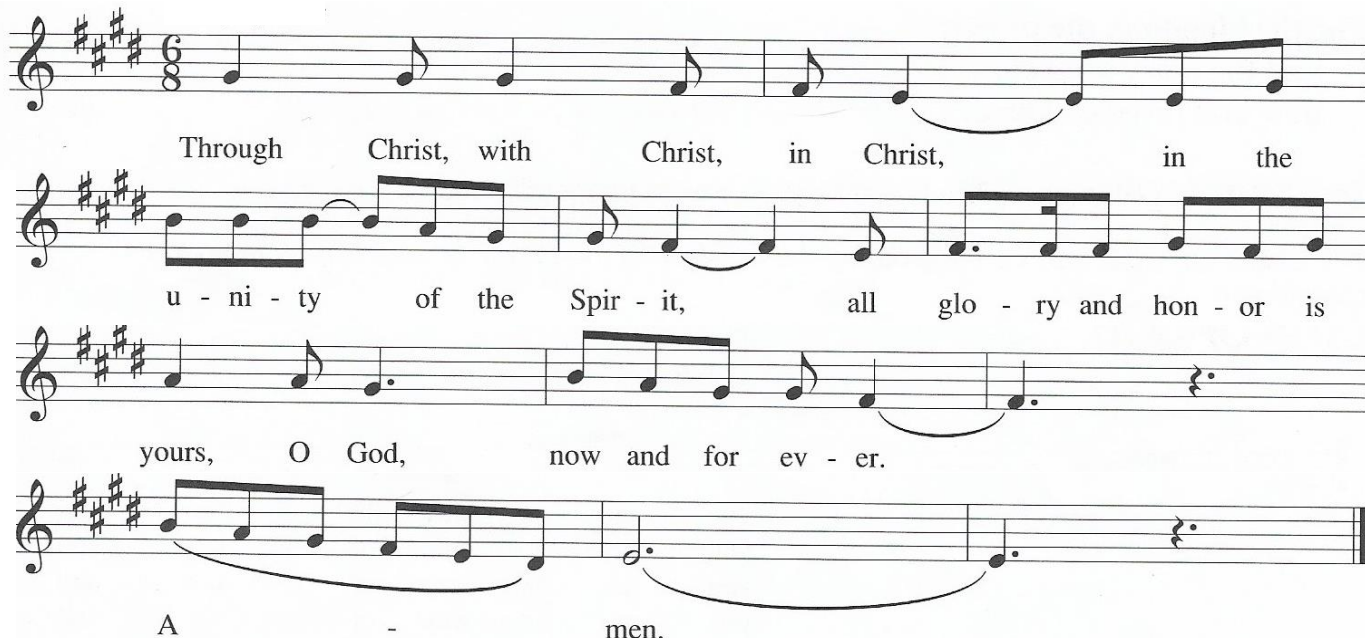
Pastor prays and concludes...

P: Amen. come, Holy Spirit. Amen. come, Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen. come, Holy Spirit. Amen. come, Holy Spirit.**

Pastor prays and concludes...

P: This we pray through Jesus Christ, Our Saviour and our friend...



Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

P: Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

C: **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.**

Invitation to Communion

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:
 Lamb of God, you are the bread of life for us

Congregation:

mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, all:

Final time: Cong. or assistant:

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you

Congregation:

take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace,
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion is distributed

Directions for Communion: Any adult or child who believes that Christ is present in this meal is welcome to participate. At the Pastor's direction, you are invited to advance to the communion rail through the centre aisle, commune in groups, and exit back to your pews through the window aisles, depositing your used wine/juice vessel in the silver bowl at the head of each window aisle. If you choose to remain in your pew to take communion once all group communing at the rail has ended, please raise your hand to make yourself known and the pastor will come around with bread, followed by the communion assistant with individual glasses of wine and grape juice. Lighter red grape juice is located in the centre ring of the tray.

Hymns Sung during Communion

ACS # 1006 By Grace We Have Been Saved

Our God, We Are a Church Reformed (Tune #886-Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing)

Our God, we are a church reformed,
 A church reforming still:
 We long to grow in your true Word,
 And follow more your will.

How awesome is your sovereign rule;
 You reign from heav'n above.

Yet you knelt down in Jesus Christ,
In sacrificial love.

In love, you bring your people here
And call your church to you,
That we may know salvation's joy
And serve in all we do.

You call us to community;
By faith our hearts are stirred.
In church, we seek an ordered life,
According to your Word.

As faithful stewards we find joy;
We need no rich display.
Lord, teach us all to use with care
The gifts you give each day.

The world makes gods of lesser things,
And wrongly uses power;
So by your Spirit may we work
For justice every hour.

ELW # 591 That Priceless Grace

ACS # 1041 God Is Love (Chant)

Blessing after Communion

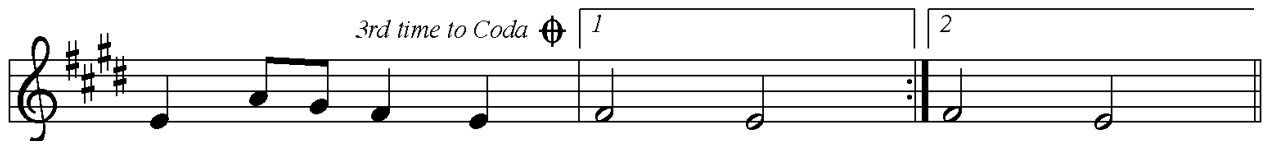
Thanks be to You



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -

to stanza 3

mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

Coda

ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

Prayer After Communion

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Blessing

P: The blessing of God,
 who formed us in grace,
 who sustains us in love,
 who leads us with courage,
 ☩ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn ELW # 504 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God - Verses 1 & 2: Choir

Verses 3 & 4: Congregation and Choir

Dismissal

P: Go now to live a life worthy
 of the calling to which you have been called,
 with all humility and gentleness and patience,
 bearing with one another in love,
 making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit
 in the bond of peace.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 25, 2026

Flowers are placed on the altar in thanksgiving to the Reformers of the church and God's vision that inspired them. And to the Holy Spirit that continues to speak truth and justice to us, so we may live out the work to which we have been called: to spread the good news of God's grace & forgiveness for all, and in unity with our brothers and sisters of other faiths, to transform this broken, hurting world by our God-given love for all that God has created.

TODAY: National Worship Service to Celebrate the ELCIC's 40th Anniversary: In celebration of our church's 40th Anniversary, there is a special worship service from Saskatchewan today, at 9 am our time. We will be showing the live-stream here at Good Shepherd before our regular Sunday worship service. All are welcome to come early and view it together. Note that the Bible Study will be cancelled today to accommodate the viewing of this event. If you'd prefer to view this service at your own home, the link to do so is [here](#).

NEXT SUNDAY: All Saint's Sunday: Just a friendly reminder to add the name of your loved ones to the Book of Remembrance on the stand outside the Sanctuary, to be read aloud next Sunday during the time of Remembrance, and feel free to bring in framed pictures of those Saints of your lives that came before you, as we worship and remember them together in our service next week.

SAVE THE DATE: Presentation by Hope for Freedom Organization: On **Tuesday, November 10th at 1 pm** the Good Shepherd Women's Group invited the *Hope for Freedom Organization* - a non-profit organization serving the Tri-Cities homeless community through outreach services, advocacy and addiction recovery - to give a short talk on what they do, and how, and provide a Q&A time as well. This will be followed by refreshments and any congregant who has an interest in hearing about this organization is welcome to attend this informative presentation. At the conclusion of the refreshment period, the Good Shepherd Women's Group will hold their Annual General Meeting.

Sip With the Spirit: Our next Sip with the Spirit gathering will happen at the home of Lily and Mogens this coming **Wednesday, October 28th at 7 pm**.

Mutual Ministry Meeting: The Mutual Ministry Team will be meeting next this coming **Thursday, October 29**. Please direct any comments, questions, or concerns to any member of the team, who are Donna Harris, Kris Mathiasen and Rick Enarson.

Advent Banquet Planning: We are considering the idea of returning to holding a congregational potluck *Advent Banquet* on **Sunday, December 6th** as we enter the Seasons of Advent and Christmas. If we can get a sufficient number of people willing to help out with the set-up and clean-up of this event, then we will go ahead with planning this event. If our numbers of helpers are insufficient, we will pivot to our Christmas Sing-Along (which we've held over the past couple of years) which requires less helpers.

Craft Fair at King of Life, Coquitlam: KOL Lutheran Church is hosting a craft fair on Saturday, November 28th from 10 am to 3 pm. Table rentals are \$25 for anyone is interested for all who wish to participate. Contact the church office at kolchurchoffice@telus.net. Come celebrate the season and find some special handmade gifts.

"We Are For An Economy of Life": More than 20 faith leaders from churches, religious congregations, theological institutions and faith-based organizations across Canada have released a [public statement](#), "[An Economy of Life](#)," calling on government, faith communities and the public to respond to the escalating climate crisis with bold action rooted in justice, care for creation and hope for future generation. To learn more, please [click here](#). To endorse the statement as an individual or organization, please [click here](#).

Continuing the work of the Season of Creation: Although our celebration of the Season of Creation has

concluded. Our call to care for creation continues. Please keep our friends of creation challenge in mind and continue to contribute by donating [here](#).

Langley Christmas Choir: All are invited to join the Langley Christmas Choir, a community choir directed by Gail Suderman, who is the Music Director at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Langley. For more information and to register click [here](#).

Job Opportunity – Youth Minister: ignyte, the joint youth ministry of Good Shepherd and St. Laurence Anglican, is looking to hire a new leader. This is a role for someone who loves working with young people, thrives on genuine relationships, and is ready to build something meaningful in partnership with a community poised for growth. To see more details, click on the ignYte page on our website [here](#).

Seeking Accommodation: Yvon Malenfant and Michelle Ryu are seeking temporary housing. If you have any, or know of any, please let them know. Yvon writes:

We are looking for temporary housing for the interim. 1 bedroom with a bathroom would be great! Something not too expensive. Let us know if you have anything. Thank you for your kind consideration. Yvon & Michelle: 778-862-5240 Y / 778-863-5240 M

‘Every Square Foot Counts’ – Educational Opportunities for Congregations:

- This month’s blog post is “**What the Quiet Season Is Asking of Us**” which invites congregations to reflect on how their buildings and land they sit on are seen and understood by their neighbourhoods. Read the full blog [here](#).

ignYte Return it Express Account: You’re invited to support our ignYte Youth Ministry with your recyclables. See the instructions on the bulletin board.



CLAY 2027 “Safe Harbour”: The next *Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth* (CLAY) gathering will take place in Nanaimo from **August 19-22, 2027**. There is still an opportunity to help out if you have the time and energy. Deacon Gretchen Peterson is hosting **coffee chats for leaders on October 18 and November 15, 4:00 p.m. Saskatchewan time**. Please register when you [click here](#).

ITEMS FROM THE ELCIC NATIONAL OFFICE:

- **Messages and Statements from the National Bishop:** Stay informed and connected by clicking [here](#).
- **Resources from the National Office for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility (DEIA):** Click [here](#) for resources.

GREATER CHURCH NEWS

- **Recording Available- Ecological Cost of AI:** The World Council of Churches (WCC) and Canadian Council of Churches hosted a webinar panel discussion, entitled “Counting the Ecological Cost of AI - Data Centres, Water, energy, and Critical Mineral Extraction,” on September 17. To read a full article and watch the webinar recording, please [click here](#).
- **40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism:** The 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism initiative of The United Church of Canada offers tools and resources to help you and your community carry or unfold conversations around racism. To see the videos and for more information, please [click here](#).
- **Panel Discussion: Why Should Christians Care about Palestine and Israel?** Gloria Dei Lutheran Church together with Lynn Valley United Church is hosting a Panel Discussion on **November 14 at 3:00pm** - "Why Should Christians Care about Palestine and Israel?" For more information, and to register, please click [here](#).

- **Postcards from the Public: Welcoming Refugees and Migrants:** Citizens for Public Justice (CPJ) invites its members and supporters to take action in support of refugees and migrants and to affirm Canada's tradition of being a welcoming nation through its Postcards from the Public. To learn more about this initiative and access resources from CPJ, please [click here](#).
- **Monthly Reflections on Climate Justice:** The Task Force on Carbon Neutrality provides monthly reflections on climate justice to encourage engagement, share resources and call for prayer, reflection and learning. *Biblical Passages Related to Climate Change and Carbon Neutrality* and *Community Focused Environmental Stewardship* are monthly reflections that you can read today by [clicking here](#).

A gentle reminder that in consideration of those who have severe sensitivities and allergies, the church has been designated a fragrance-free zone. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

This Week At Church

This Sunday **Bible Study cancelled**
 Viewing of National Anniversary Worship Service at 9 am
 Reformation Sunday worship service with Holy Communion at 10:30 am
 (view it [here](#))
Movie Night at 4 pm. See Peter for more details.

Tuesday *Woodworking & Crafters Group* at 10 am

Wednesday *Lectio Divina Prayer Gathering* at 1:30 pm over Zoom
Sip with the Spirit at 7 pm – Location at Lily and Mogens

Thursday *Confirmation* at 7 pm
Mutual Ministry Meeting at 8 pm

Next Sunday Bible Study at 9:30 am
 All Saint's Sunday worship service with Holy Communion and Sunday School
 at 10:30 am (view it [here](#))

Note: Most events are in-person events except those noted "on Zoom" or "Online". The links to these online events are accessible through our website. Our Sunday morning worship service is offered in-person, live-streamed and via on-line recording posted to our website shortly after the service is over, unless otherwise noted.

Last Week at Church

Bob is away now for 4 more weeks.
 Weekly financial information will
 be provided upon his return.
 Thank you for your patience.





Friends of Creation *Milestones*

Stay tuned each week,
and watch our donations
grow here!!

Our Friends of Creation journey so far

- ☒ Climate + Water
- ☐ Climate + Food
- ☐ Climate + Economy
- ☐ Climate + Peace
- ☒ Put faith in action *yes!*
- ☐ Reached goal
towards _____ acres!

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Why Should Christians Care about Palestine and Israel

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church together with Lynn Valley United Church is hosting a Panel Discussion on **November 14 at 3:00pm** - "Why Should Christians Care about Palestine and Israel?"

For more information, and to register, please click [here](#).



Why Should Christians Care about Palestine and Israel?

November 14, 3:00pm



Rabbi Laura Duhan-Kaplan



Shadia Qubti



Ron Dart

Join Lynn Valley United Church and Gloria Dei Lutheran Church for a truly eye-opening panel exploring the complex intersection of faith, politics, history, justice, and peace. Hosted at Lynn Valley United Church, this event will prompt attendees to ask, in a time of deep polarization, how can Christians move beyond slogans and engage in the realities of Palestine and Israel with humility, compassion, and courage?

Learn more and register now:

3201 Mountain Highway, North Vancouver
www.lynnvalleychurch.com



Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

We welcome you to worship today. It is our prayer that you sense the joy that is present in Jesus Christ. God loves and values each of you without conditions attached. We bring our joys and needs before God, trusting in God's presence.

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General Office Hours				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00

We always recommend phoning before stopping by.



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