

BURR OAK – HESPER LUTHERAN PARISH

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Reformation Sunday

Affirmation of Baptism

November 6, 2022

10am Hesper

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another:
(*Silence is kept for reflection*)

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

ELW 504

GREETING

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

C: And also with you

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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P: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia.

C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God

and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,

for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LISTEN

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:31-34

31The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 32It 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. 33But 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. 34No 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.

R: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM 46

1God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

2Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

3though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

4There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

5God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

6The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.

7The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

8Come now, regard the works of the Lord,
what desolations God has brought up-on the earth;

9behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

10“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

11The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus

Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

L: The holy gospel according to **John**, the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

31 Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 33 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'?"

34 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. 36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Presentation of Confirmation Projects

RESPOND

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Church's One Foundation"

ELW 654

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation. God our fortress, we pray for the church. Write your law of love on the hearts of your people, that we remain steadfast in our witness to your grace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our liberator, we pray for your earth. Bring new life to overused land and contaminated rivers. Reform and reorient our relationship with the environment, that we faithfully care for all of your creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God, our refuge and strength, we pray for the nations. Where they are in an uproar, bring wise leadership and comfort for those in distress. Make wars to cease and peace to enter every land. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God, our very present help in trouble, we pray for those in need. Show mercy to refugees and all fleeing from danger. Shelter any without homes. Calm all who are facing illness, surgery, or a new diagnosis. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our redeemer, we pray for our congregation. Bless all who are preparing for baptism or affirmation of baptism. Open their hearts to your Holy Spirit, teach them your word, and give them courage to proclaim their faith. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our stronghold, we give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith, especially Martin Luther and all reformers. Renew and reform us as we strive to continue in your word. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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

Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

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SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

COMMUNION: Holy Communion will be served during worship this morning. All are welcome to the Lord's Table. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.

Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord's Prayer

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Communion Song

"Blessed Assurance"

ELW 638

Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

"Go My Children, with My Blessing"

ELW 543

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Offering: thank you for your gifts and prayers to support this ministry. Offering may be placed in the collection plates in the back of the sanctuary as you leave or mailed to the church office.

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BE JESUSY GRATITUDE PRACTICE FOR NOVEMBER

Donate food or volunteer to work at a local food pantry.

Take Home Verse

"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

Psalm 46:10

Affirmation of Baptism

Kaylee Larson

Parents: Kyle & Michelle Larson

Grandparents:

David & Judy Larson

Duane & Pat Hovey

Sponsors:

Mike Hovey, Denise Timp, Allen

Cameron, Stephine Jasster,

Anna Christians

Mentor:

Ann Pitz

*God's Blessings to
the following, who
are making Public
Affirmation of their
Baptism at Hesper
Lutheran Today!*

Savannah Phillips

Parents:

Holly Dahl & Lance Phillips

Grandparents:

Marsha & Rodger Phillips

Mary Beth Dahl, Mike Whalen

Sponsors:

Sandy Lorch & Travis Phillips

Mentor:

Janelle Halverson

Burr Oak & Hesper members, should you be doing some review of the year and are thinking about your offerings to your respective church, we can offer you an automatic withdrawal. It's a free service and simple to set up. If interested, please grab a form at the back of your church. Any questions or once completed, please return all forms to Kathy Tollefsrud for Burr Oak & Leslie Cook for Hesper. Thank you for your continued support!

The Area Council of Churches are collecting basic school supplies to be given to teachers at Mabel-Canton for the second semester. A box will be placed in the narthex of each church for the collection. Our parishes have many students that attend Mabel-Canton. The box will be there throughout the Thankful and Giving Seasons.

**Sunday, November 13th: Shared Ministry Meeting at
Washington Prairie Lutheran Church at 2:30 pm.
All are WELCOME!**

Mabel Methodist Church is hosting a drive-through Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 24th from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm. Menu includes: Turkey, Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing, Green Bean Casserole, Corn, Coleslaw, Cranberry Sauce, Lefse and Apple or Pumpkin Dessert. FREE WILL DONATION. Reservations are open to the first 350 people and are required by November 20th. Contact LeeAnn Howard at 507-459-9243 to make reservations. Delivery is available in Mabel and within a 5-mile radius of town.

Burr Oak Lutheran Church

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Organist: Kathy Tollefsrud **Greeter(s):** Myrna Wilson
Acolyte: Logan McCabe **Scripture Reader:** Myrna Wilson
Communion Assistance: Jane Newhouse
Ushers: Scott Barth, Myrna Wilson, Ben & Kim Lange

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, November 7th: Eunice Circle will meet at The Pizza Ranch at Noon
Tuesday, November 8th: Church Council Meeting: 6:30BO, 7:30Joint, H to follow
Wednesday, November 9th: NO Wednesday School or Confirmation
Thursday, November 10th: Hope Circle will be held at church at 7pm Hostess Darlene Emery
Friday, November 11th: Bible Study at Highland Lutheran 9:30 am
Sunday, November 13th: 8:30am worship, Thank Offering, Fellowship to follow
Monday, November 14th: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Needed to meet budget: \$ 1,630.00 Offering October 30th: 3,668.05

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS – November 13, 2022

Organist: Renae McIntosh **Greeter(s):** Delbert & Kathy Smith
Acolyte: Conor Danielson **Scripture Reader:** Kathy Smith
Ushers: Wayne & Arletta Tweten, Fred & Cindy Leonhart

Hesper Lutheran Church

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Organist: Kathy Tollefsrud **Greeter(s):** Rhonda Hovden
Acolyte: **Scripture Reader:** Rhonda Hovden
Communion Assistance: Rhonda Hovden
Ushers: Andy & Kally Thraenert, Dustin & Kayla Tollefsrud

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Monday, November 14th: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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Organist: Renae McIntosh **Greeter(s):** Linda Folstad
Acolyte: **Scripture Reader:** Linda Folstad
Ushers: Dan & Sondra Hotvedt, Rhonda Hovden

Prayer Concerns



Jonathan Allen, Robin Foltz, Vi Hoffland, Ron Knutson, Paul Korsness, Landon Hageman, Stanley Vongroven, Ron Lippe, Stacy Nelson, Daisy Jones, Diane & Jason Daft, Marilyn Helland, Evelyn Schnitzler, Glenn Thunberg, Brenda Headington, Gary Stortz, Joyce Kallevang.

Please pray for military personnel currently deployed and those below serving stateside, elsewhere or in the reserves: Mason Falck, Al Jurek, Cameron Korsness, Jordan Grecko, Trever Falck, Parker Whalen, Collin Tweten, Dan Bart, Brandon Nelson, Anthony Brown, Dylan Foltz & Wesley Smith. **Please also pray for all other soldiers, sailors, airmen, coasties and marines who work to defend us.**

Pr. Dave is available to bring communion, visit and offer spiritual care to those in need. Please contact Pr. Dave at 641-220-0205 or call the Parish Office at 563-735-5925 or email info@bohllutheran.org if you or someone you know would like a visit. Please call the Parish office if there is someone you would like included in Prayers or to update their status to help us maintain an accurate Prayer Concerns list.