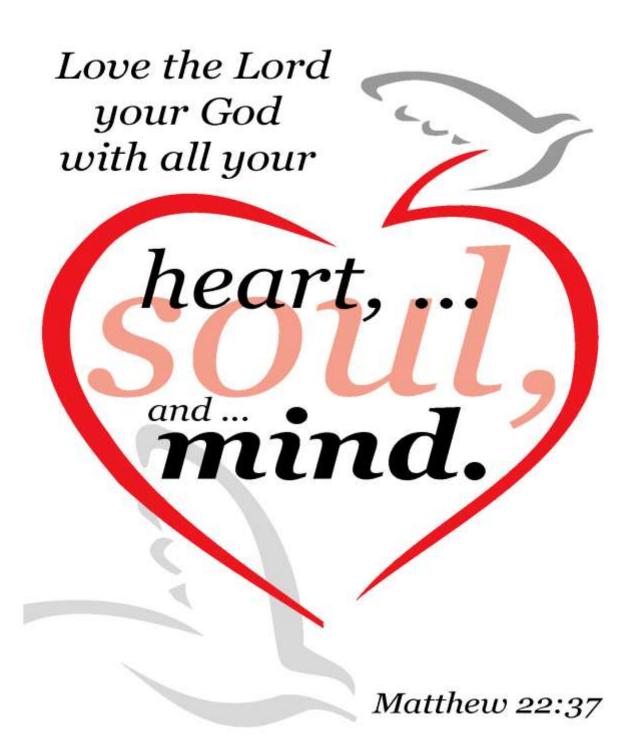
Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church The 21th Sunday after Pentecost October 25, 2020



# HOPE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH October 25, 2020 The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP Piano Prelude Built on a Rock

Greeting and Announcements

Hymn # 504 (vs. 1,2,4), "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Stephen Lind

WORD OF GOD A Mighty Fortress Is Our God 504 might for - tress is our God sword and shield of We Vic 2 No match his strength ours can might! would be lost, threat-'ning 3 re . Though hordes of dev - ils 611 the all land to de . Word for shall thanks to 4 God's bide. foes, who ev cr 13 no X rious; he breaks the cruel to op pres sor's rod and ject But cham-pion comes ed. now a to fight. whom trem - ble not, self moved we vour us. we un stand; they with fights fear it; for God him by our side G The tion glo wins rious. old foe be? sal 1.00 va sa tan - ic him - self God e ed. You ask who this may Let this world's ver pow Spir ty - rant take our rage: can not O ٠r us. of the house. weap-ons it. Were they to 0 ful might With craft dread has sworn to work us woe! and Lord. might - y doomed to The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je sus, fail; His might though life in bat - tle we'll en - gage! is 1121 wrenched a be goods, hon - or. child, or spouse. WORD OF GOD 00 4 34 3 e arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no qual. he God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic to rious. God's judg-ment must pre-vail! One lit tle word sub - dues him. they can - not win the day. The king-dom's ours for - ev er! 8

# The Apostolic Greeting

### 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.

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

## 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.

<sup>31</sup>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. <sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>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.

Anthem: Psalm 96

## SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words 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.

<sup>19</sup>Now 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. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom 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; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. <sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Anthem Hymm Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring

Vocal Quartet:L Marlys Jungroth, Vicki Hanson, Ted Fancher and Hank Harper

J.S Bach

#### GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

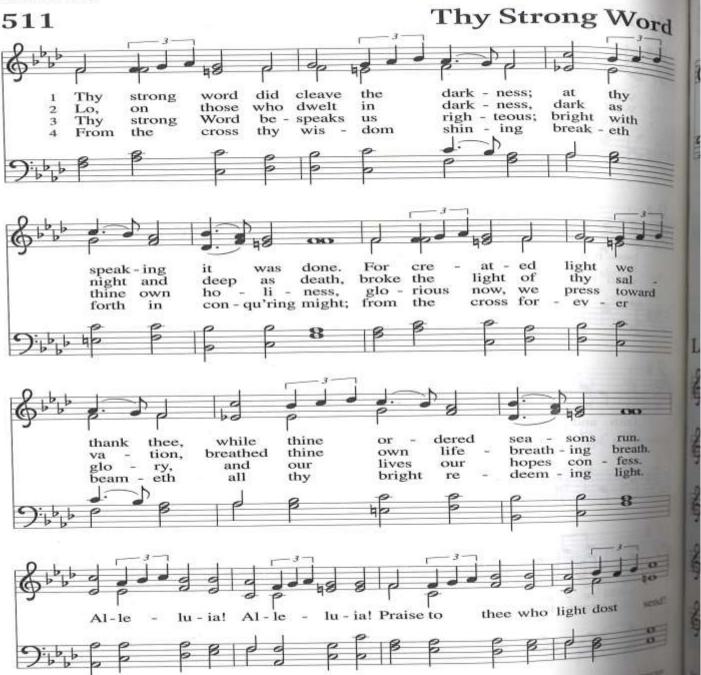
Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin. <sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>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'?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

'The Sermon "Reflections On Faith Continued"

Pastor Dan Severson

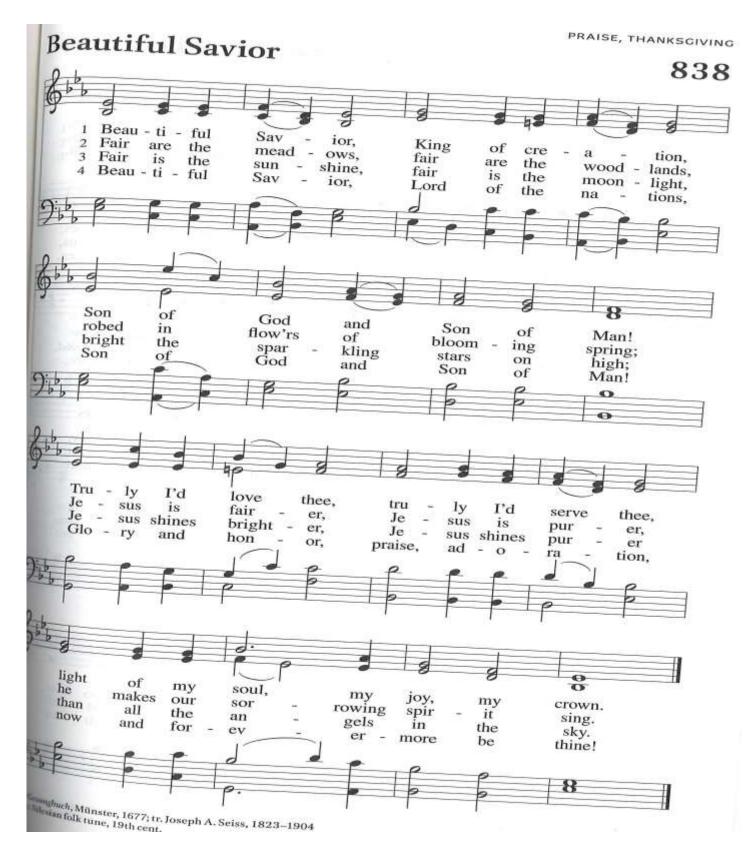
WORD OF GOD





PRAYERS Lord's Prayer Benediction

Hymn #838 (vs.1,2,3), "Beautiful Savior"



Diismissal:

Organ Postlude: : A Mighty Fortress"

Franklín Ashdown

# <u>Serving in Today's Worship</u>

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