October 25 - October 26, 2025 Reformation Sunday Readings

First Reading

A Reading from Jeremiah

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.

(pause)

Reader: Word of God, word of Life.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Second Reading

A Reading from Romans

But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets,

the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction,

since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God;

they are now justified by God's grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. God did this to demonstrate God's righteousness, because in their divine forbearance God had passed over the sins previously committed;

it was to demonstrate at the present time God's own righteousness, so that God is righteous and justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith.

For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

(pause)

Reader: Word of God, word of Life.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

A Proclamation of the Holy Gospel According to John

Jesus said to the Judeans 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 forever.

So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.