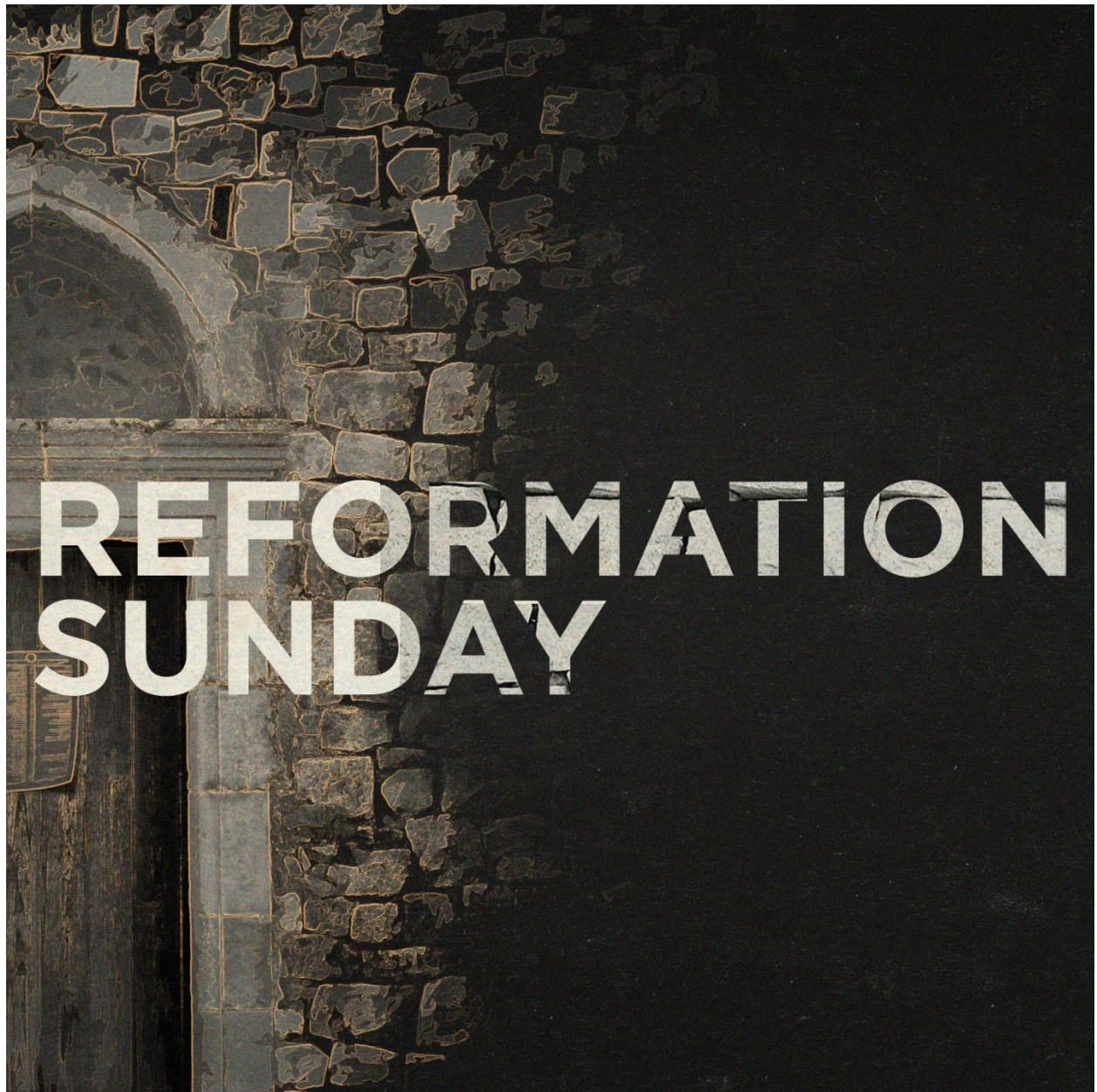
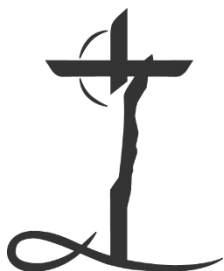




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*In the Gospel a righteousness from God is revealed,
a righteousness that is by faith, from first to last, just as it is written:
"The righteous will live by faith."
Romans 1:17*

PRELUDE

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Our Savior Brass

S. Drummond Wolff

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main

A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
All ea - ger to de - vour us,
Nor an - y thanks have for it;

He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
But for us fights the val - iant One,
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
He's by our side up - on the plain

That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
With His good gifts and Spir - it.

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The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,
 dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,
 Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -
 is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main eth.

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INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C We celebrate this day our belief in the Triune God and profess our faith in our Lord. Amen.

CREED I ~ *The Father*

- P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
C Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -
dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is
prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His

tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God of glory, we worship You who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water. We worship You who freely forgives us through the propitiation of Jesus' blood, which justifies us freely by Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C Amen.



*For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received:
that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures.
1 Corinthians 15:3*

CREED II ~ *The Son*

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

C Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Church's One Foundation
Our Savior Rings

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6 – 7
[pew Bible page 1036]

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 46

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

C Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

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

C God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

R God will help her when morning dawns.

C The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;

R He utters His voice, the earth melts.

C The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

R Come, behold the works of the LORD, how He has brought desolations on the earth.

C He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; He burns the chariots with fire.

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

C The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

EPISTLE

Romans 3:19 – 28
[pew Bible page 941]

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Truth Will Make You Free Our Savior Choir

Anne Krentz Organ

*If you continue, continue in my word, you are truly, truly my disciples;
and you will know the truth, you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.
Continue in my word and my disciples be. Continue in my word, the truth will make you free.
Know the word, know the truth, my disciples be.
Know the word, know the truth, the truth will make you free.
You are free.*

The Truth Will Make You Free Anne Krentz Organ Text: John 8:31 – 32, alt. Music: Anne Krentz Organ
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HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 18:9 – 14
[pew Bible page 877]

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

- R** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

1 Lord, keep us stead-fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je-sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com-fort-er of price-less worth, Send peace and

by de-ceit or sword Would wrest the king-dom from Your
Lord of lords a-lone; De-fend Your ho-ly Church that
u-ni-ty on earth; Sup-port us in our fi-nal

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Son And bring to naught all He has done.
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 strife And lead us out of death to life.

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MESSAGE

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Create in Me



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



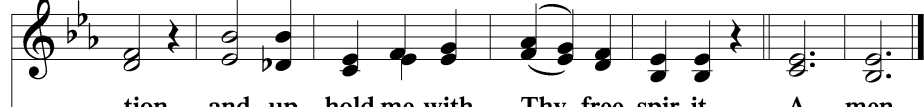
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord of hosts, we give You glory and thanks for being our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble, especially on this Reformation festival. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Thank You for the gift of Your grace that alone sets us free through the blood of Your Son, Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Faithful and forgiving God, thank You for bringing us to faith in You. It is through this faith alone that we are saved. Grow us in Your grace and guide us by Your Spirit in living our faith daily. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Word who became flesh and dwelt among us, You have given us the Word of Life. Strengthen us by Your Word. Lead and guide us by Your truth. Give Your church on earth faithful pastors who preach and teach the Gospel in all its purity. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord Jesus, You are the One who sets us free. In You alone our hope is found. You are our strength and our refuge. Remember all who face adversity of any kind. Comfort, strengthen, and heal them by Your Holy Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Preserve Your church, O Lord, and each of us as members of Christ's Body, that we may not surrender the true Gospel for any reason but be kept in this faith and fear throughout the days of our earthly pilgrimage, until that day when we and all Your people shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the reward You have prepared for us and all who have loved His appearing. To You alone be all glory, now and forever, for You rule and reign as one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Our Communion Statement

I believe that in Holy Communion, our Lord graciously shares His Body and Blood with us through bread and wine. He does this in order to forgive our sins, assure us of our salvation, strengthen us for Christian living, and unite us more closely as members of His family, the Church. Repenting of my sins, believing in the presence of Christ in this Sacrament, and rededicating my life to live according to His will, I announce my desire to receive Holy Communion.

*Those who would like to receive a blessing rather than the Sacrament may come to the table.
Folding your arms across your chest will signify you wish to receive a blessing.*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER



*For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God
2 Corinthians 5:21*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Isaiah 35:10

Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.

- P** Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.
- C** Almighty God, You are our mighty fortress. We resist this reality when we live according to the so-called wisdom of the world. We resist the reality that, in Christ, we are free indeed when we use our law-keeping as a measure of our standing with You. We resist the reality

that You are with us when we celebrate Your works as our own. Still our selfish nature and forgive our sins for Jesus' sake. Gladden our hearts and set us free.

P The prophet Isaiah reminds us, “The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.” This is our reality as Jesus forgives us and sets us free. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive You all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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The Rescue We Were Waiting For

*The rescue we were waiting for
Has come most undeservedly,
While we were groping on the floor
Of deep despair, what did we see?
The hand of Jesus, God's own Son,
Came reaching down to us alone:
No one but he could save us.*

*Chained by the law and its demands
And crippled by the curse of sin,
All offerings smeared by guilty hands,
The walls of hopelessness closed in,
While in the mirror all I saw
Was weakling, rebel, fatal flaw –
And found no one to save me.*

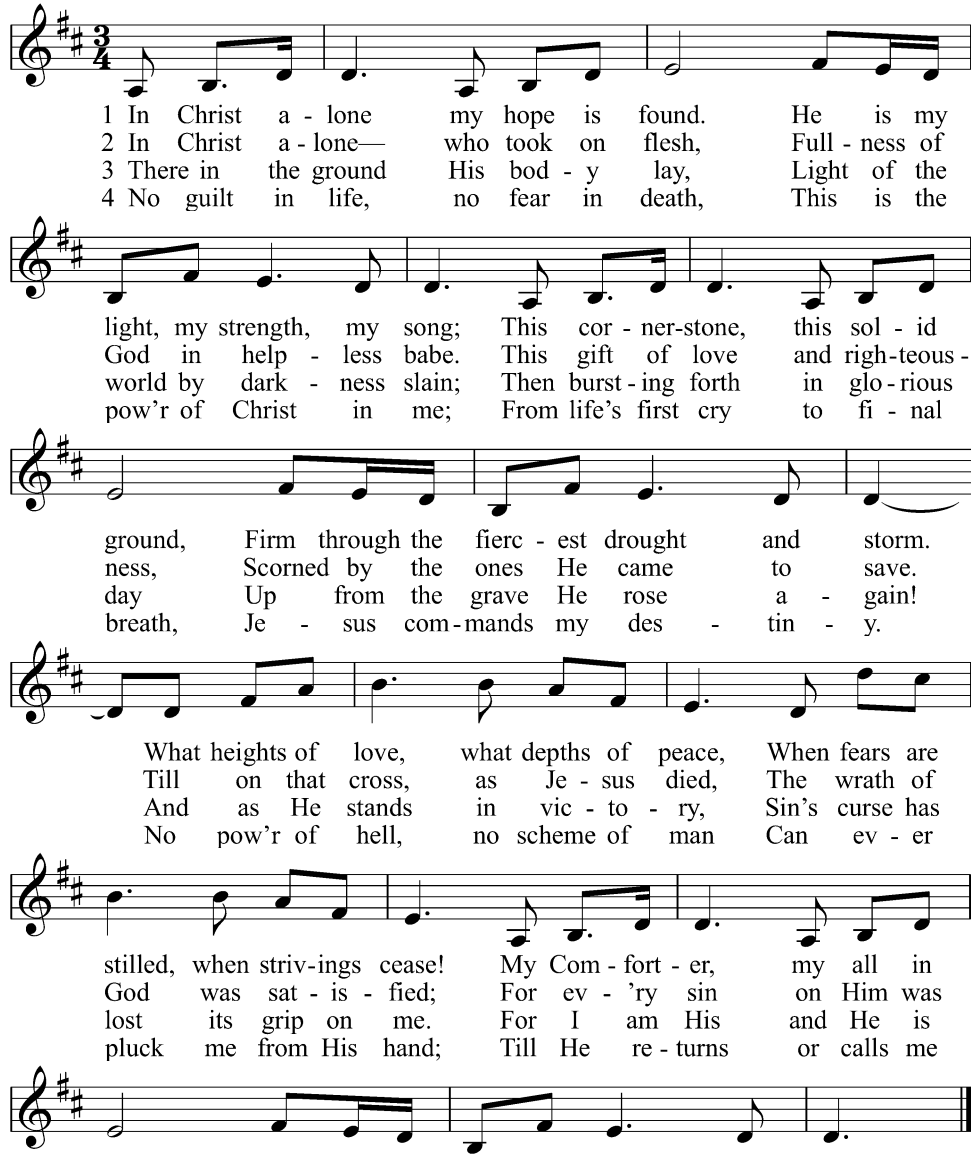
*The law, I found, was not the way
To life and health, to joy and peace;
I'd piled up debts I could not pay,
From death there was no sure release.
And then, when in the deepest throes
Of gloom, I heard the hammer blows
Constructing my salvation.*

*The gift I had no right to claim,
A life to compensate my loss,
By grace from God the Father came:
My Substitute upon my cross.
My pardon there was read to me,
Beneath that God-forsaken tree –
And I am free forever!*

*Secure within his warm embrace,
Join in the Savior's freedom song:
Show Christ to every downcast face,
Shout Christ to all the dying throng!
Sing loving Father, Gracious Son,
Sing living Spirit, freedom won,
For now and through all ages!*

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 TUNE: ES IST DAS HEIL

In Christ Alone



1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found. He is my
 2 In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh, Full - ness of
 3 There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the

light, my strength, my song; This cor - ner-stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babe. This gift of love and righ-teous -
 world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal

ground, Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
 ness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
 day Up from the grave He rose a - gain!
 breath, Je - sus com-mands my des - tin - y.

What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are
 Till on that cross, as Je - sus died, The wrath of
 And as He stands in vic - to - ry, Sin's curse has
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man Can ev - er

stilled, when striv-ings cease! My Com - fort - er, my all in
 God was sat - is - fied; For ev - 'ry sin on Him was
 lost its grip on me. For I am His and He is
 pluck me from His hand; Till He re - turns or calls me

all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.
 mine— Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray.

O God of Jacob, we give You glory for sending Your Son to set us free. We thank You for setting this feast of forgiveness before us. Empower us to proclaim Your eternal Gospel to all who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Solo Propter Christum

CHRIST ALONE

THE SENDING

CREED III ~ *The Spirit*

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

A DISMISSAL *“The Lord is Faithful”*

P The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

C This is most certainly true.

P The Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.

C This is most certainly true.

P God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Let us hold fast to the confession of our faith without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

P This is most certainly true.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.



CLOSING HYMN

Rise, O Church Like Christ Arisen

Vs. 1: **ALL**, Vs. 2: *Choir*, Vs. 3: **ALL**, Interlude, Vs. 4: **ALL**



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,
2 Rise, trans - formed, e - quipped to fol - low
3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture
4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;



from this meal of love and grace;
af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;
God has called us to re - ceive;
cour - age be our dai - ly breath;



may we through such love en - vi - sion
bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise.
to re - lease and to con - sole.
Spir - it - ed then let us live.
from this day and un - to death.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



God, the won - der of our days.
Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.
Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Thy Strong Word
Our Savior Brass

Robert J. Powell



Sola Fide ✠ *Sola Scriptura* ✠ *Sola Gratia*

FAITH ALONE ✠ SCRIPTURE ALONE ✠ GRACE ALONE

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