

# St. Peter's Lutheran Church

## Reformation Sunday

### October 26, 2025

First, there is a black cross in a heart that remains its natural color. This is to remind me that it is faith in the Crucified One that saves us. Anyone who believes from the heart will be justified (Romans 10:10). It is a black cross, which mortifies and causes pain, but it leaves the heart its natural color. It doesn't destroy nature, that is to say, it does not kill us but keeps us alive, for the just shall live by faith in the Crucified One (Romans 1:17).

The heart should stand in the middle of a white rose. This is to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace—it puts the believer into a white, joyous rose. Faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). This is why the rose must be white, not red. White is the color of the spirits and angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12).

### *The Luther Seal: Summary of the Gospel*

Letter from Martin Luther to Lazarus Spengler, July 8, 1530 [WA Br 5:445];  
tr. P. T. McCain + [stjohnwheaton.org](http://stjohnwheaton.org)



This rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that a joyful spirit and faith is a beginning of heavenly, future joy, which begins now, but is grasped in hope, not yet fully revealed.

Around the field of blue is a golden ring to symbolize that blessedness in heaven lasts forever and has no end. Heavenly blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and better than any possessions, just as gold is the most valuable and precious metal.

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**Reformation Sunday  
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*Prelude*

Opening Prayer and Announcements

**Opening Hymn** .....*"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"* ..... **Hymn 229**

**Confession and Forgiveness** ..... **Page 77**

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**Hymn of Praise** .....*"The Church's One Foundation"* ..... **Hymn 369**

**Prayer of the Day** ..... **(insert)**

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7..... **(insert)**

**Psalm 46** ..... **(insert)**

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28 ..... **(insert)**

**Gospel Acclamation** .....*"Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?"*..... **Page 83**

Gospel Reading: John 8:31-36 ..... **(insert)**

**Responses** .....*"Glory to you, O Lord."* ..... **Page 83**  
*"Praise to you, O Christ."*

Sermon - *Reform and Renew*

**Sermon Hymn** .....*"Built on a Rock"* ..... **Hymn 365**

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**Sharing of Christ's Peace**

Offering

**Offertory** .....*"Praise and Thanksgiving "* ..... **Hymn 409**  
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**Offertory Prayer** .....*"Blessed are you..."* ..... **Page 88**

**Prayers of the Faithful**

**We continue to pray for the following:**

|                |                |                |            |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------|
| Bill Baird Sr. | Maureen Gardei | Tara Pfohl     | Jean Wendt |
| John Ball      | Barb Haseley   | Linda Rozyczko |            |
| Bryan Beaudoin | Kevin Haseley  | Lonnie Sbert   |            |
| Lyndsey Doss   | Lorenzo Lopez  | Janet Tober    |            |
| Glenn DuBois   | Shane Marsh    | Pam Walck      |            |

**Those in nursing homes and shut-ins**

|                |                |              |             |
|----------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| Robert Glosser | Harold Haseley | Donald Walck | Janice Witt |
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**Serving in the Military**

|                      |                    |                 |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Nate Allen           | Nicholas Horvath   | Phillip Messina |
| Charles Cederman III | Owen Jensen        | Evan Rohring    |
| Justin DeVantier     | Jillian Kelkenberg | Seth Spitler    |
| Nick Hannam          | Maggie Kelkenberg  | Ben Thorstad    |
| N.F. Air Force Base  |                    |                 |

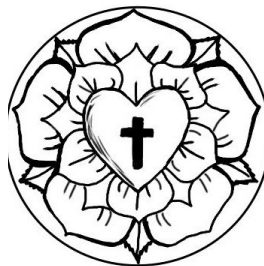
**Lord's Prayer ..... Page 97**

**Blessing ..... Page 97**

**Closing Hymn ..... "Shine, Jesus, Shine" ..... (insert)**

GO IN PEACE,  
AND SERVE THE LORD!  
THANKS BE TO GOD!

Postlude



**WELCOME** to St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are glad to have you join us to worship today! We invite you to join us each Sunday at 8:30am or 11:00am. If you would like to request a meeting or arrange a visit from Pastor Kurt, please call his office at 716-731-4433 or his cell at 515-520-3235.

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| Music Director: | Zach Carr                |                 |
| Greeters:       | Rodney and Linda Haseley | Dorothy Glosser |
| Readers:        | Steve Lange              | Martha Haseley  |
| Altar Guild:    | Beverly Pendergast       | Janet Tober     |
| Trustee:        | Scott Pfohl              |                 |

Have an awesome week!  
See you next Sunday!

