WE GATHER AS CHRIST'S LIVING BODY

GATHERING MUSIC

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr

Johann Sebastian Bach

BWV 675

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CENTERING SILENCE

The Rev. Dr. James Butler

* **INTROIT** (Hymn 645, v. 1)

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation.

The God of grace, the God of love, the God of our salvation.

With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled.

To God all praise and glory!

* OPENING RESPONSES (from Ephesians 4:4-6)

The Rev. Dr. Steve Gorman

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

On this anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, we affirm this universal truth:

There is one Body and one Spirit. There is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism.

There is one God, creator of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all.

Blessed is the Lord our God.

And blessed is God's Kingdom, now and forever.

* HYMN 275

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

* ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Beloved in Christ: God is with us!

We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

UNISON CONFESSION

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being: we acknowledge that we often err and stray like lost sheep. Rather than pursuing your merciful and just ways for the world, we follow the devices and desires of our own hearts. Help us to love you and your ways above all else, as we love our neighbors and seek the well-being of

the world you so love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SUNG RESPONSE

In God alone my soul can find peace and rest, in God my peace and joy. Only in God my soul can find it rest, find its rest and peace.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON Job 42:1-6, 10-17 (Pew Bible, O.T. p.488)

SOLO

If with all your hearts

Nick Schneider, tenor

Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy

If with all your hearts ye truly seek Me, ye shall ever surely find Me," thus saith our God. Oh! That I knew where I might find Him, that I might even come before His presence!

* GOSPEL LESSON Mark 10:46-52 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.47)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SUNG BLESSING (Hymn 542, v. 1, 2)

God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you. With a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again. May unseen wings guide and hold you. Daily grace and strength provide you. God be with you till we meet again.

SERMON "Why Not Open the Drapes and Turn on the Lights?" Dr. Butler

"I heard you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eyes see you."

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

* **HYMN 661** "Why Should I Feel Discouraged?" SPARROW

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM O Lord, Thou hast formed my every part J. S. Bach O Lord, Thou hast formed mine every part, mine in most thought is known to Thee. Each word, each feeling of my heart. Thine ear doth hear, Thine eye can see.

- * DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)
- Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.

 Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
- * PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

* HYMN 772 "Live Into Hope" TRURO

- * CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- * **DEPARTING MUSIC** Fuga a 5 con Pedale, pro Organo pleno J.S. Bach BWV 552/2

The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.

Our Mission

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship, service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Reformation Sunday October 27, 2024 10 a.m.