

**Order of Worship**  
**October 29, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.**  
**Reformation Sunday**

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

**PRAISE AND ADORATION**

Call to Worship: (responsively) (Based on Psalm 90:1-2, 4 & 12)

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth or you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Leader: A thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

**People: So, Lord, teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart and live with gratitude.**

**All: Eternal God, renew us every morning with your eternal and steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all the days of our lives.**

\*Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" # 260

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

**Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that too often we take your love for granted and are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we would rather remain silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we allow fear to sway us. In your mercy, forgive us, Lord. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Confession Response: **"Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us."** # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

\*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

**HEARING THE WORD**

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Matthew 22:34-46

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

Hymn Tribute for the Saints

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Leader: At the dawn of a new day or in the setting of the sun, in the time of laughter and the hour of tears,

**All: We remember the saints who have passed into eternity with thanksgiving.**

Leader: Under summer sky and through winter storm, with spring blossom and autumn leaves,

**All: We remember them with thanksgiving.**

Leader: As we celebrate weddings and baptisms, holidays and homecomings,

**All: We remember them always with thanksgiving.**

Leader: And, when we gather to sing and pray, and worship your holy name,

**All: We remember your saints who have blessed our lives with their presence and we are thankful for the time we had with them.**

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

\*Doxology # 592

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: "Rise Up, O Saints of God" insert

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response: **"God be with you til we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you; with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you til we meet again."**