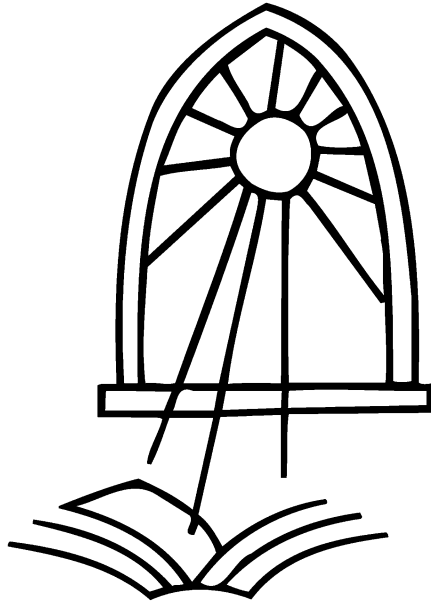


# ***First Presbyterian Church***

**Sullivan, Missouri**



## ***October 30, 2011***

### ***Reformation Sunday***

*On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.*

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**Our Mission: Reaching Out with God's Light and Love**

***We welcome you to worship today!***

Visitors and Members please take a moment to sign our friendship pads.

[ \* *Congregation invited to stand, as able* ]



Thank you for turning off or silencing your cell-phone!

- LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available at the worship entrance
- **PH** = Presbyterian Hymnal (large) / **SF** = Sing the Faith – (small)

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

**Prelude**..... *“How Firm A Foundation”*  
[ *The light of Christ enters our worship with the lighting of our candles* ]

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit**..... *“The Lord Is Blessing Me Right Now”* (Congregation sings)

***The Lord is blessing me right now,  
Oh right now!  
The Lord is blessing me right now,  
Oh right now!  
God woke me up this morning,  
and started me on my way;  
The Lord is blessing me right now.  
(Repeat)***

**Call To Worship:**

- L: Sing joyfully to the Lord, children of God!  
**C: It is good and right to praise him.**  
L: Let the instruments create music  
**C: and join us in glad praise.**  
L: For faithful and true is our God.  
**C: He is righteous and just,**  
L: unfailing in love.  
**C: Let's sing to the Lord a new song.**  
L: Let joy from within overflow in praise!  
**C: How great is our God!**

**Prayer of Invocation**

L: Let us pray. O God who is gracious and seeks to save us: Give us the grace to accept your invitation into your saving grace that we may live and worship you. **Amen.**

\* **Hymn**..... “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” No. (PH) 260

**Call to Confession**

P: Loving God,

**Prayer of Confession**

**C: as we grow in your Spirit and in your grace, we begin to see how often we fall short of your glory. We have maintained childish ways instead of growing up in you. We have put pleasing others before pleasing you. We have turned away, rather than see you face to face. We have not dwelt in faith, hope or love. Forgive us where we fall short and help us to amend our ways. In the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**Assurance of Forgiveness:**

P: God knows us fully and yet overflows with love and mercy for us. Leave your shortcomings with God and go forth to walk more closely with God.

**C: Amen.**

\* **Glory Be to the Father [Hymn]**..... (PH) No. 577

**C: *Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen (x7)***

**Prayers of the People**

P: ...Hear us, O Lord, **C: Your mercy is great.**

\* **Response** ..... “Lord Be Glorified”

*In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.  
(repeat)*

\* **Passing the Peace of Christ**

[*The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.***]



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**GOD'S WORD TO US**

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**Prayer of Illumination**

**A reading from Deuteronomy chapter 6 verses 4–8.**

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead. *Word of God, Word of Life, C: Thanks be to God.*

*Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and the other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.*

**First Reading: A reading from Romans chapter 3 verses 19–28.**

<sup>9</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed;

<sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. <sup>7</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law. *Word of God, Word of Life, C: Thanks be to God.*

*Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.*

**\* The Holy Gospel according to John chapter 8, verses 31–36.**

<sup>31</sup>Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>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'?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. *The gospel of the Lord, C: Praise to You, O Christ.*

**Sermon:** .....Pastor Kaileen Hogan-Brink

**Moments for Reflection**

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD AND GRACE**

**\* Affirmation of Faith ~ Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

- \* **Response**..... “Yes, Lord, Yes”
  - C:** *I’ll say yes, Lord, yes to Your will and to Your way.  
I’ll say yes, Lord, yes I will trust You and obey.  
When Your Spirit speaks to me,  
With my whole heart I’ll agree,  
And my answer will be yes, Lord, yes. Lord, yes.  
(repeat)*

**Offering Invitation**

L: In thanks and joy, we share a portion of what God has given us, so that we can help to reveal God’s love through our giving.

**Offerings / Offertory**..... “Exultation” Handbells

- \* **The Doxology** ..... (PH) No. 592
  - C:** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

- \* **Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

**May these gifts that you have given to us through our ability to work and earn be used so that others have opportunity to work and earn.  
Amen.**

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**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you**
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord**
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## Words of Institution

P: ...Now with all the powers of heaven and earth, we sing the ageless hymn of your glory,

**C: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest.***

P: [ *Words of institution* ] ...Great is the mystery of faith,

**C: *Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.***

P: [ *Communion prayer* ] ...Almighty God, now and forever.

**C: *Amen.***

## 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 power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## Breaking of Bread / Communion of all the people

*(Communion is served by intinction. As the ushers direct you, come forward down the center isle, take a hearty piece of bread, and dip it in the chalice.)*

## Prayer after Communion

\* Hymn..... *"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"* (PH) No. 315

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## WE GO INTO THE WORLD IN GOD'S NAME

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### \* Charge and Blessing

P: By water and Spirit, God has renewed us this day. As you go into the world, remember your baptism and live in God's Spirit of love and grace. Amen.

\* Go Forth Hymn..... *"Make Me a Servant"* (SF) No. 2176

\* **Salutation:**

P: And all God's people said,

**C: Amen!**

*We follow the light of Christ out into the world!*

\* Postlude

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**TO SERVE YOU...**

<i>Pastor .....</i>	<i>Rev. Kaileen Hogan-Brink</i>
<i>Liturgist .....</i>	<i>Sally Jo Blevins</i>
<i>Pianist .....</i>	<i>Suzanne Scott</i>
<i>Greeters .....</i>	<i>Charlie &amp; Valeta Betz</i>
<i>Coffee/Cookie Servers .....</i>	<i>Zenas &amp; Sally Jo Blevins</i>
<i>Deacons .....</i>	<i>Connie Delcour &amp; Valeta Betz</i>
<i>Elder on Call .....</i>	<i>LaRue Bryant</i>

*Cookie Server Next Week (11/6): Connie Delcour & Tonette Barnes*

**WE PRAY FOR . . .**

Richard Shafferkoetter, Shamus Hogan (Pastor Kaileen's brother), Jereme Roark (Joyce's nephew), Jane Shoults, Fina Schatz (Jim's sister-in-law), Frances Morse (Joyce's mother), Harry Eaton, William Simpson (Joyce's father), Jean Chandler, Doll Jones, Carl Robison (Iva's son), James Morrow, Valerie Reimer, our homebound and shut-ins, our soldiers, our country and its leaders, elders, deacons and Pastor Kaileen.