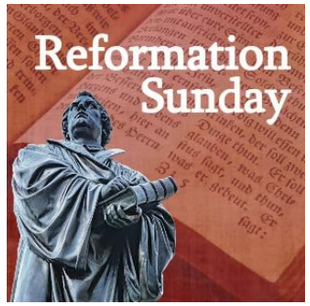
An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
Stone Presbyterian Church
A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
October 25, 2026
Reformation & Consecration Sunday

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE AND POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 90)
Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.
Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.
O Lord our God, let your favor be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands— O prosper the work of our hands.
For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.
All: Let us worship God.



+HYMN #260 **"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"** EIN' FESTE BURG

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(first together, then in silent reflection)*
(See insert)

RESPONSE HYMN #2275 **"Kyrie"**
("Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.")

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+A DOXOLOGY #579 **"Glory Be to the Father"** GLORIA PATRI

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Listen for the Reforming Word of the Lord

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
(You are invited to say the "amen" aloud.)



LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 The death of Moses.
The Word of the Lord. **/ Thanks be to God.**

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Appeal to the Thessalonians with sincerity.
The Word of the Lord. **/ Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM **"Lift High the Cross"** arr. by Lloyd Larson

Matthew 22:34-46 The greatest commandment.
The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON **"In Good Faith"**

We Respond in Reformed Faith with Thanksgiving

HYMN #240 **"Out of the Depths"** AUS TIEFER NOT

A CONGREGATIONAL AFFIRMATION
The purpose of Stone Church is to be an inviting, spiritual community of Christ, engaging in worship that inspires and challenges us to learn and grow as we reach out in caring and service, trusting in the love of God.
The institutions of the people of God change and vary as their mission requires in different times and places. As a gospel community we recognize the responsibility of all members for ministry and the importance of supporting the unity of all congregations. We affirm that our life together is to be open to reformation, so that we may be a more effective instrument of Christ's mission and reconciling love, and we pray that we may be a church always reforming.
(Based on the *Stone Church Purpose Statement* and part of "The Confession of 1967")

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS

MINUTE FOR MISSION – STEWARDSHIP - TALENTS

TITHES & OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May God our refuge be with you! / **And also with you.**
People of God, lift your hearts to the One who created you. **/ We offer them to God, who writes words of hope upon our hearts.**
God's children, come to the Table of grace. /
We will feast on the wonders of the God who loves us.

... we proclaim our thanksgiving to you:
SINGING (#581)
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 name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest!

... we profess that mystery called faith:
SINGING (#582)
Dying, you destroyed our death; rising, you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory!

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional Version, *Presbyterian Hymnal,* p. 16)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION
(Please come forward by the center aisle to receive and partake the bread and individual cups, then return to your seat by the side aisles.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

We Go Out to Continue the Reformation in Our Lives

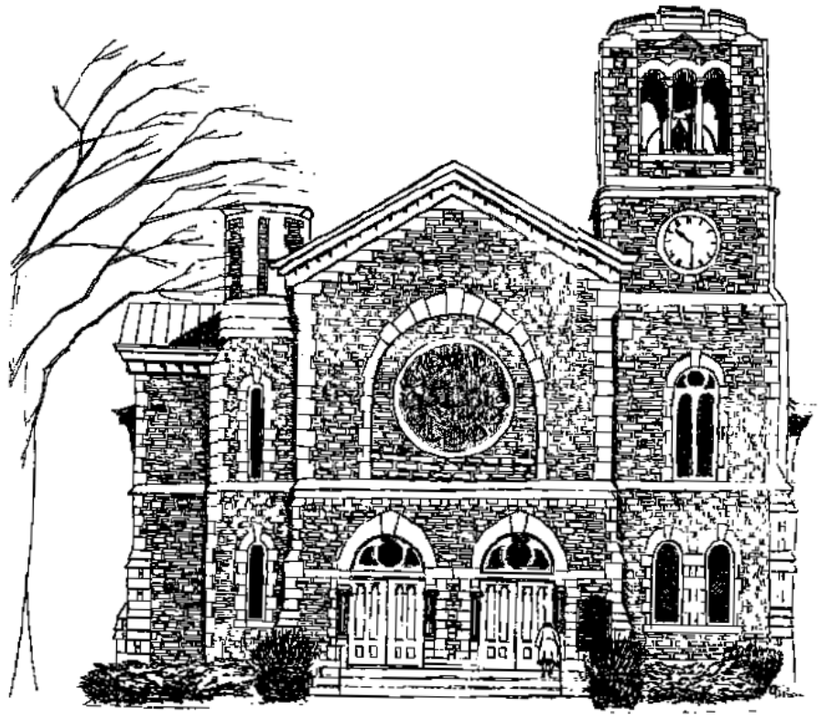
+HYMN #457 **"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"** TOULON

BLESSING & DISTRIBUTION OF "ESTIMATE OF GIVING" CARDS

TIME FOR REFLECTION AND COMMITMENT
Please reflect prayerfully on the portion that you will consecrate as your estimate of giving for the year ahead. When you have completed the card, please take a moment to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and praise, then bring your card to the table and quietly join your friends for the celebration luncheon in the Norton Room.

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

October 25, 2026 ~ Reformation & Consecration Sunday ~ 10:30 a.m.



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PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(first together, then in silent reflection)*
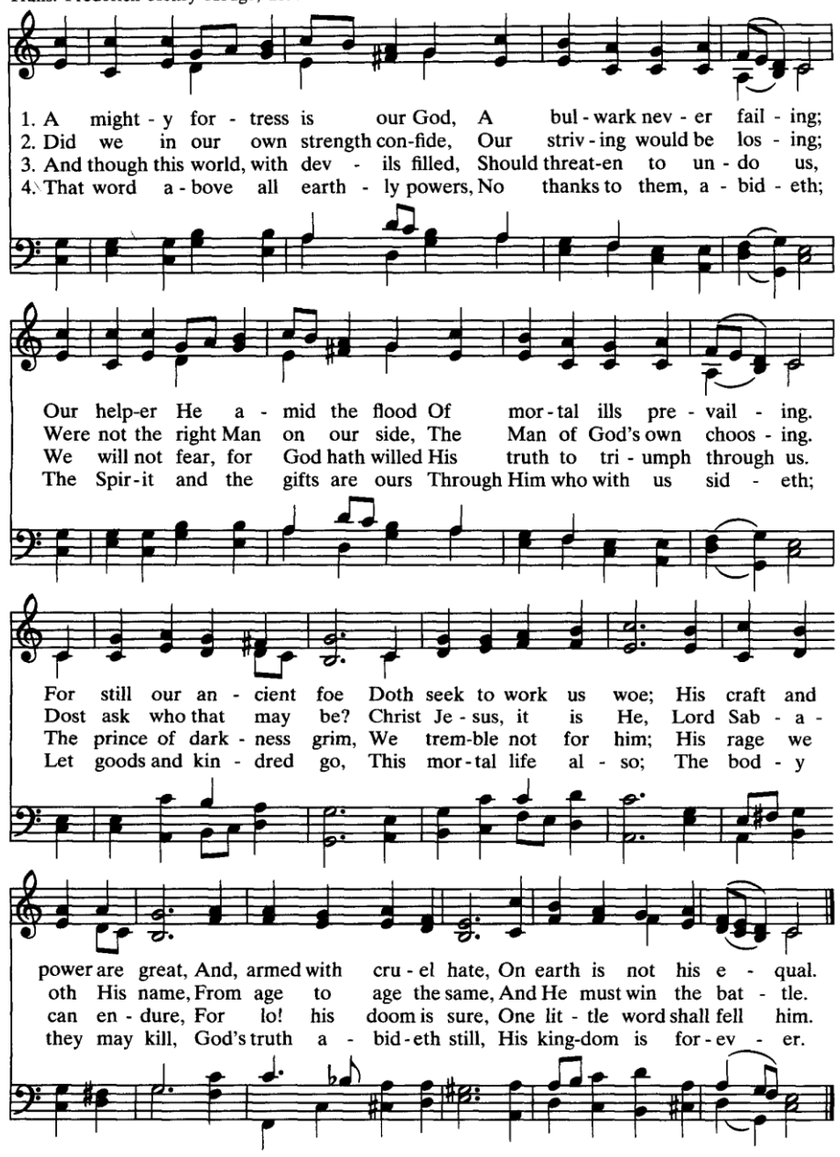
Waken our hearts, O Lord, our God; make them ever watchful to serve You and Your purposes.
Trouble us with the smallness of our vision and work.
Trouble us with the greatness of Your command to make disciples of all nations.
Trouble us with Your great love for sinners and our own slowness to make You our greatest love.
Trouble us with the brevity of our lives and time, talent, and treasure not invested in eternity.
Comfort us by drawing us to Yourself with the cords of Your unfailing mercy.
Comfort us, O Lord, with the assurance of our salvation and unending glory with You when we suffer and are afflicted.
Rekindle in us a renewed desire for the coming of Your glorious kingdom when all wrongs will be made right, when everything that is broken will be made whole, and when we will trade a cross for a crown.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.
(Adapted from the Prayers of Martin Luther)

260 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN' FESTE BURG (isometric) 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.6.7

Martin Luther, 1529
Trans. Frederick Henry Hedge, 1852

Martin Luther, 1529



Rhythmic version, 259

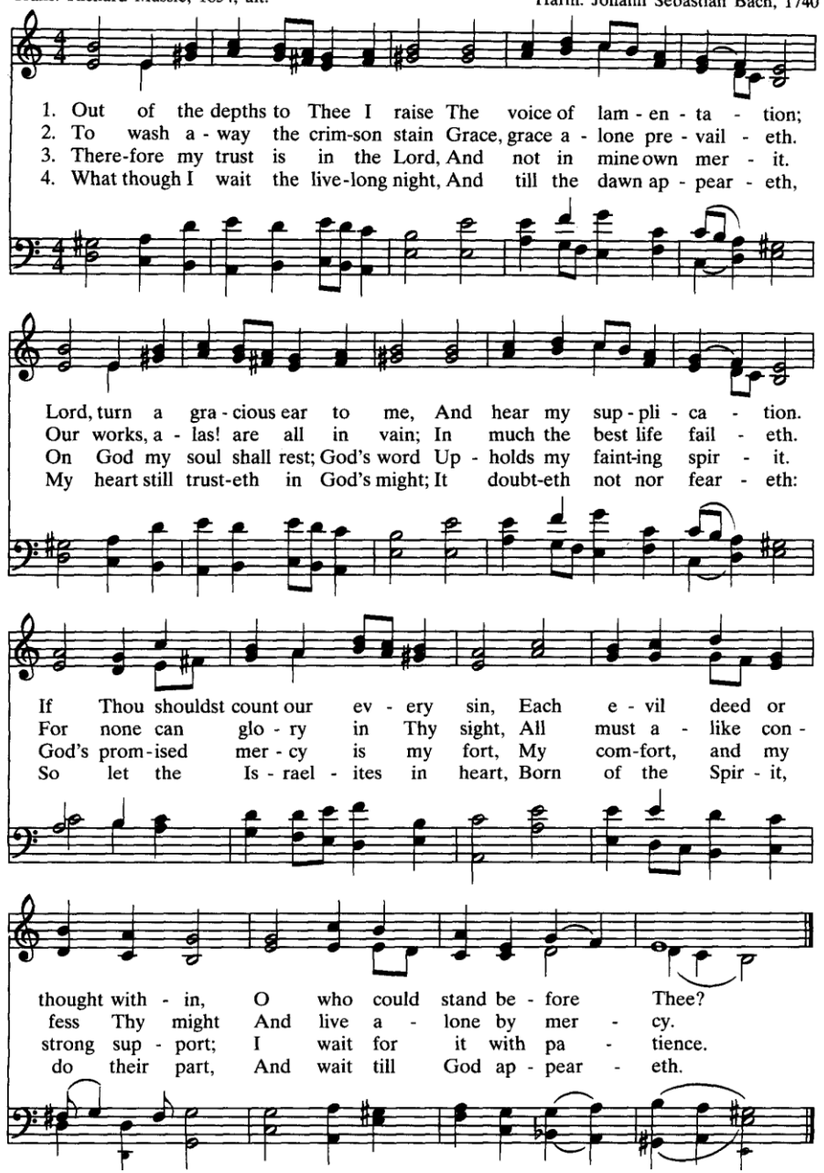
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Martin Luther, 1524
Trans. Richard Massie, 1854; alt.

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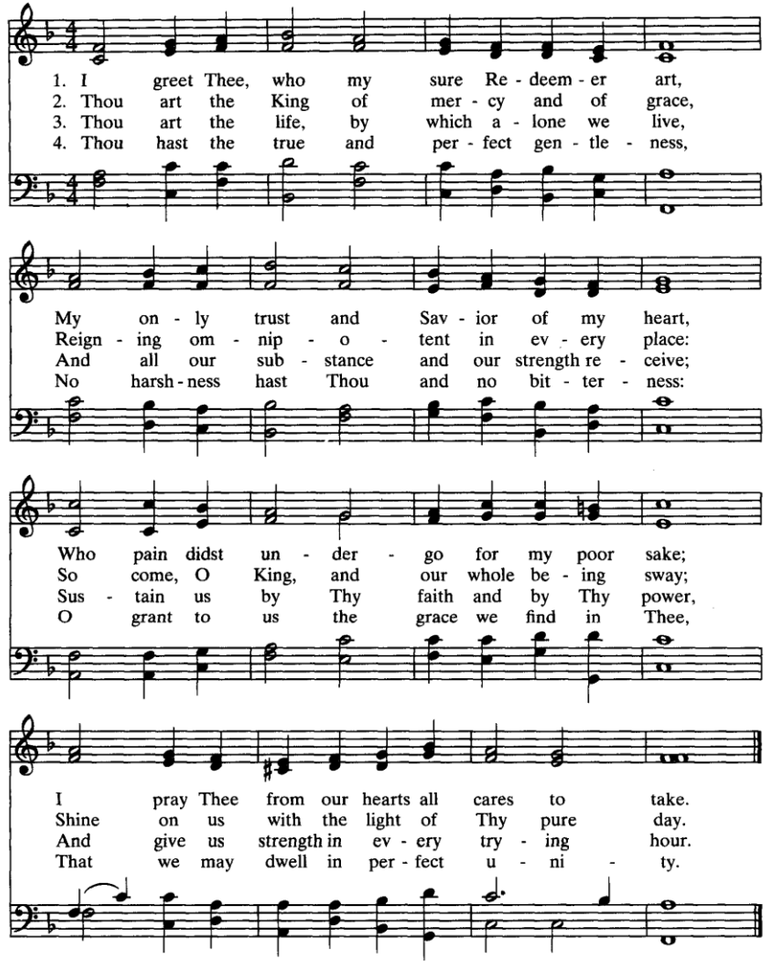


457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON 10.10.10.10

Attr. John Calvin
French Psalter, Strassburg, 1545
Trans. Elizabeth Lee Smith, 1868

Adapt. from Genevan 124
Genevan Psalter, 1551



5. Our hope is in no other save in Thee;
Our faith is built upon Thy promise free;
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,
That in Thy strength we evermore endure.