Service of Holy Communion

Reformation Day
(Observed)
23rd Week after Pentecost
October 28th, 2015
Chapel of St. Timothy & St. Titus- Concordia Seminary
LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK
Divine Service Setting 5, pp. 213-218
Feast: Reformation Day (observed)
Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles

Prelude

Stand
Gloria in Excelsis: All Glory be to God on High LSB 948

Salutation and Collect of the Day LSB 214

Sit
First Reading Romans 3:19-28

Stand
Hymn of the Day Stanza 3: Organ only LSB 657

Sit
Gospel Reading John 8:31-36

Homily “Sons by Faith!” John 8:35

Stand
Nicene Creed LSB 954

Prayers of the Church pp. 215-216

Offertory LSB 824, sts. 1-2

Stand
Service of the Sacrament pp. 216-218
Sanctus “Isaiah Mighty Seer” LSB 960

Sit
Communion Music LSB 569, LSB 617
The Servants of the Word

Presider: Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson
Preacher: Rev. Victor Belton, 2015-16 Campus Host Pastor
Peace Lutheran Church, Decatur, Georgia
Assistants: Chaplain Paul Sieveking, Seminarian Joel Luckemeyer
Organist: Mr. James Marriott, Director of Music Arts;
Rev. Tim Wilkins; Seminarians Alex Schrader, Nicholai Gibbons; Professor Paul Robinson
Bread Baker: Sam Handschke

Campus Host Pastor Rev. Victor Belton...

In Preparation for Communion

To Our Guests:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

-Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

Notes Regarding Communion

- The campus Lord's Supper is sponsored and hosted by Peace Lutheran Church in Decatur, Georgia and Pastor Victor Belton.
-When receiving the cup to partake of Christ Jesus’ blood, please place your hand on the cup in some way to assist the server in guiding it to your mouth. Depending upon how those distributing the cup are holding it, you can either take hold of the cup at the base on the bottom OR on the stem of the chalice OR at the bowl itself on the upper part. By doing so you will assist the server and help to prevent any unwelcome spillage.

-The Reliquary (unconsecrated, additional bread) will be distributed after the service in the narthex if there is sufficient quantity. You are invited to take a piece with you.

-If you would prefer not to drink wine directly from the chalice, you may intinct the bread by dipping it into the chalice.

**Private Confession and Absolution:** Check SemNet to see when Chaplain Stein will offer confession at the altar.

**Prayer Requests**
- Persecuted Christians: Comoros; Syria; Iraq; Nigeria; Yemen; Sudan and throughout North Africa
- Partner Church Bodies: Free Evangelical – Lutheran Synod in South Africa & Bishop Rev. Dr. Dieter Reinstorf; Church in Southern Africa & Bishop Rev. Modise Maragelo
- Synodical Leaders: President Matthew Harrison
- Districts and District Presidents: Iowa East District & President Brian Saunders
- Concordia Theological Seminary: Larry Rast, Faculty: Paul Grime, Gifford Grobien, and Arthur Just, staff, and students
- Schools in the Concordia University System
- Illness/Surgery: Chaplain Jon Stein recovering from surgery; SMP student Shad Deah battling kidney disease; EIIT student Paul Chuol recovering from surgery

**Notes on the Service**
Divine Service Setting Five in LSB represents a ritual attempt to combine Luther’s Latin Mass with his German Mass, a practice common in the lands of the Augsburg Confession into the 18th Century. We use it today to celebrate the divine service and so remember the church’s life in the Word throughout the ages, especially at the time of the Reformation, and to give thanks for those same gifts of the Word—heard, seen, and
eaten—today. Luther’s German Mass used German language canticles with tunes familiar in German culture to proclaim, remember, and give thanks. While we might be burdening you with “Luther and 16th century tune overload” today, enter the words and tunes as you are able and remember and give thanks for the gospel of Jesus Christ which Luther and the Reformers proclaimed. Through these hymns you are singing that, in the words of the Reformation motto, “The Word of the Lord stands forever.” So proclaim through Luther’s song: “No greater love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast of that remind us.”

Reflections on the Gospel Reading, from John 8, from Ted and Rick (dark nose) by LCMS Pastor James Wetzstein (Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org).