

Traditional Worship

October 25, 2026

8:45 am



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Reformation Sunday



Worship Notes

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God Gathers Us

Prelude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God - arr. Diane Bish

Welcome

Call to Worship - from Psalm 48

Invocation

Introit

Shout Hallelujah! - Kate Lovingood

Gathering Hymn

#507 A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Gloria Patri no. 733

We Respond to God's Presence

Anthem

I Wanna Be Ready - arr. Powell

Worship Through Giving

Announcements

Prayer

Apostles' Creed

Doxology no. 34

Greeting

Recognition of New Members

New Members Being Welcomed Today

Heather Anderson, Greg Bowers, Laurie Bowers, Janet Ding, Josh Ding, Darlene Elston, Nikki Emerson, Richard Emerson, Arlene Fortna, Eileen Hoover, Olin Hoover, Sarah Kehayas, Tony Kehayas, Janis McGinnis, David Platz, Savannah Platz, Brian Schilb, Katie Schilb

God Reveals His Word to Us

Song of Illumination

Be Thou My Vision - SLANE

Sermon - Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: Revelation 21:9-14, 27 (page 1234 in pew Bible)

Series: A Christian Guide to Eternity

Message: A Home Beyond Imagination

We Go Forth in Joy

Song of Response

#84 O God, Our Help in A405ges Past

Benediction

Postlude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God - arr. Rick Seaton

Prayer for the Week

O gracious God and most merciful Father,
you have given us the rich and precious jewel of your holy Word.
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to our everlasting comfort, to reform us, to renew us according to your own
image, and to build us up into the perfect building of Christ,
Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the same Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

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(Lesslie Newbigin, *The Reunion of the Church*, 1948)

Assisting in Worship Cherub Choir; Lorraine Cooper, conductor; Ardith Groome, accompanist; Sanctuary Choir; Ben Bear, soloist; Jared Kelso, reader; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

Prayer chain If you would like to be kept up-to-date on prayer needs in our church body, please sign up for the CCPC Prayer chain at ccpcprays@ccpc.life

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Convergent Worship

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