

Welcome

We are glad that you have
joined us for worship.

October 25, 2026

Worship Theme

It's Time to Stay
Steadfast

Pastor Rod Pudell



Reformation
Sunday

OPENING HYMN:

#877 Reformation Song (vs.1-5)

V1. Your Word alone is solid ground,
the mighty rock on which we build.
In ev'ry line the truth is found,
and ev'ry page with glory filled.



V2. Thro' faith alone we come to you;
we have no merit we can claim.
Sure that your promises are true,
we place our hope in Jesus' name.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.
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V3. In Christ alone we're justified;
his righteousness is all our plea.
Your law's demands are satisfied;
his perfect work has set us free.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.
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V4. By grace alone we have been saved;
all that we are has come from you.

Hearts that were once by sin enslaved
now by your pow'r have been made new.

Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

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V5. And on this Reformation Day
we join with saints of old to sing;
we lift our hearts as one in praise:
glory to Christ our gracious King.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

Please stand

INVOCATION

P: We gather in the name of the
Father and of the Son and of the
Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



CONFESSION OF SINS & ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS *(Based on Luther's 95 Theses)*

P: When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said, "Repent," he willed the entire life of believers to be one of repentance. *(Thesis 1)*

C: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; According to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. *(Psalm 51:1-2)*

P: Any truly repentant Christian has a right to full remission of [sin] and guilt. *(Thesis 36)*

C: Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases. He does not treat us as our sins deserve, or repay us according to our iniquities. For as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. *(Psalm 103:2,3,10,12)*

P: The true treasure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and grace of God. *(Thesis 62)*

C: A righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the law and the prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

(Romans 3:21-24)

P: Christians should be exhorted to be diligent in following Christ, their head, through penalties, death, and hell, and thus be confident of entering into heaven through many tribulations rather than through the false security of peace. *(Theses 94 & 95)*

C: Rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

(1 Peter 4:13; 5:10-11)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Lord Jesus Christ, direct and defend your Church in every age. Send us your Spirit to make us bold witnesses, who freely and fearlessly share the gospel. Give us the words to speak so that we make a clear confession of the faith and truth entrusted to us, to the glory of your holy name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

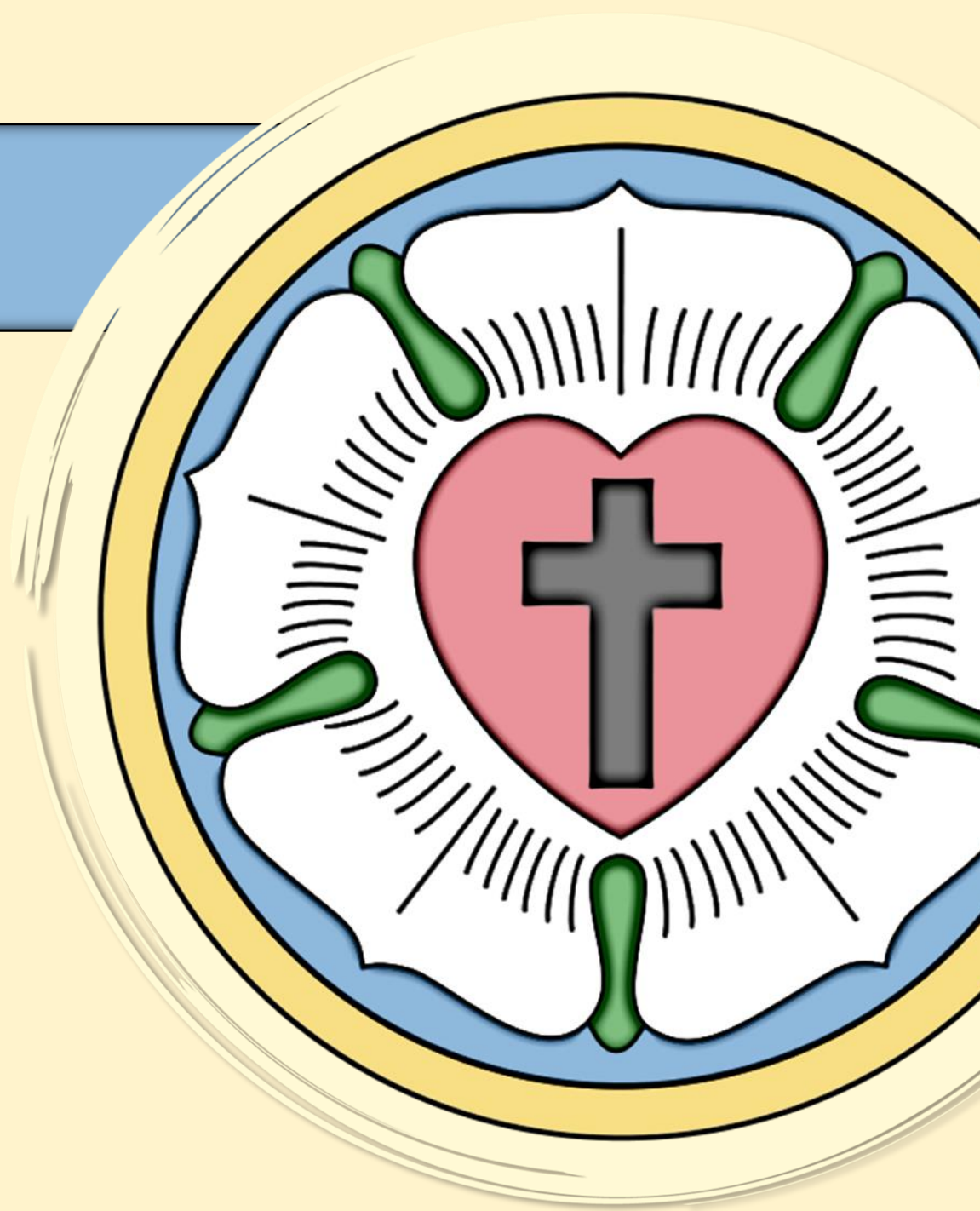
C: Amen.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 3:7-13



“To the angel of the church in Philadelphia write:

These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut.

“I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. I will make those who are of the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews though they are not, but are liars—I will make them come and fall down at your feet and acknowledge that I have loved you.

“Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

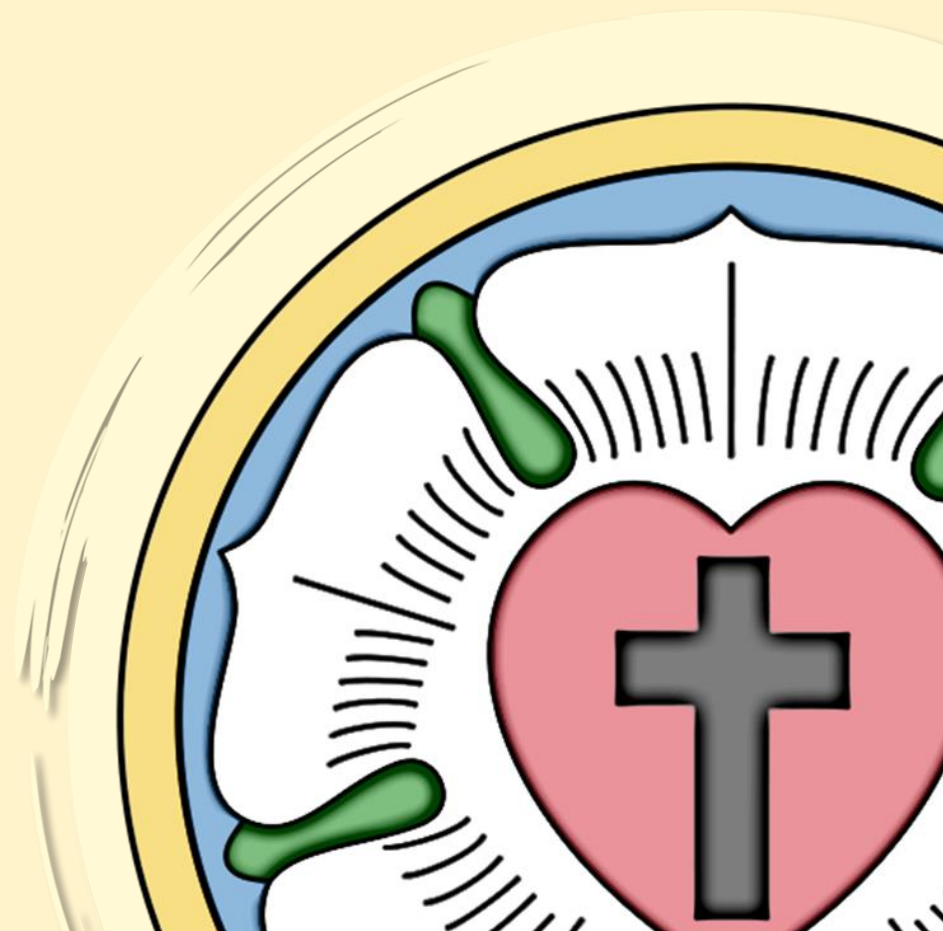
“I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown. Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it.

“I will write on him the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on him my new name. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”



Sung Response

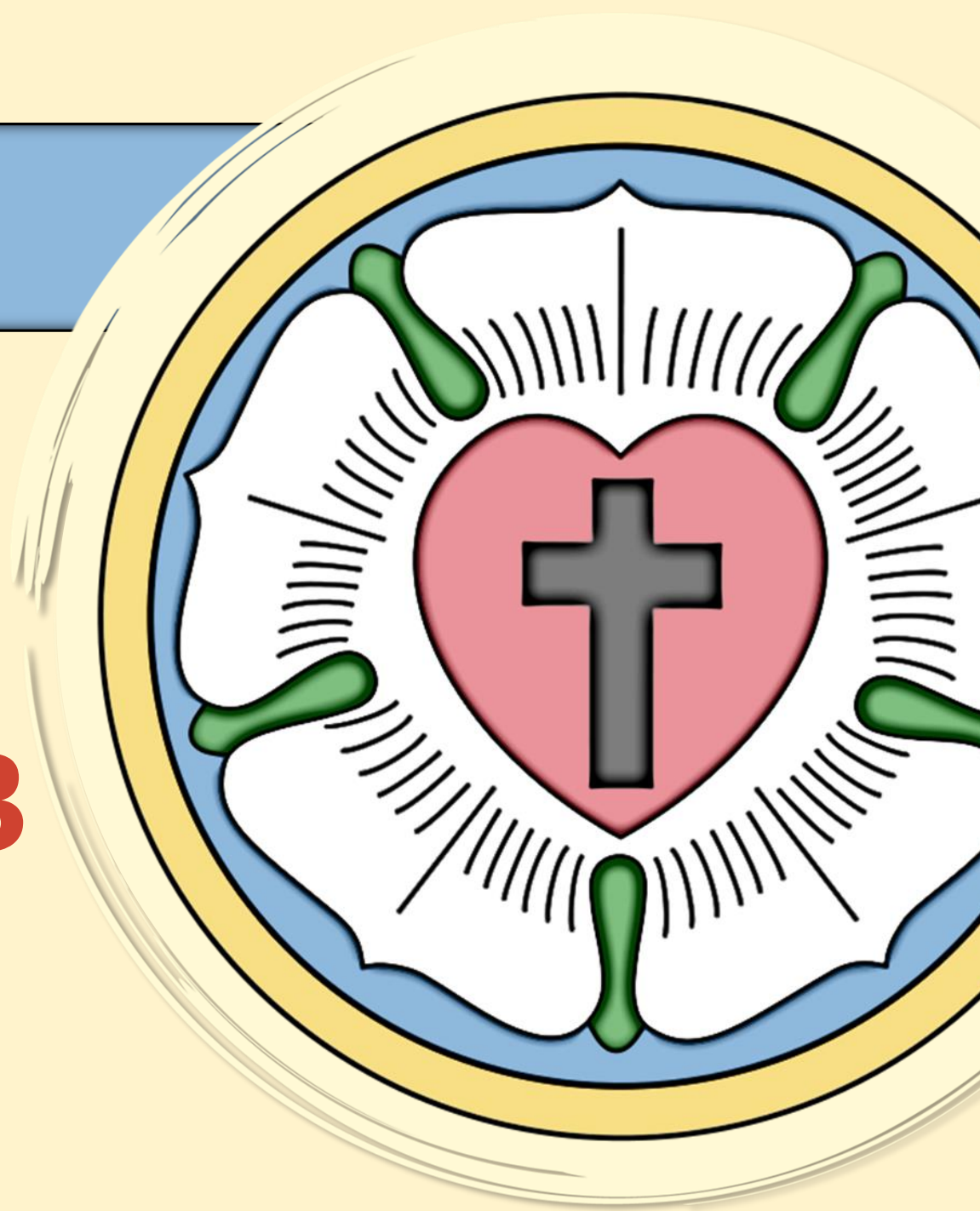
*“Lord Keep Us
Steadfast in Your
Word”
(Choir)*



THE WORD

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 10:16-23



“I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves.

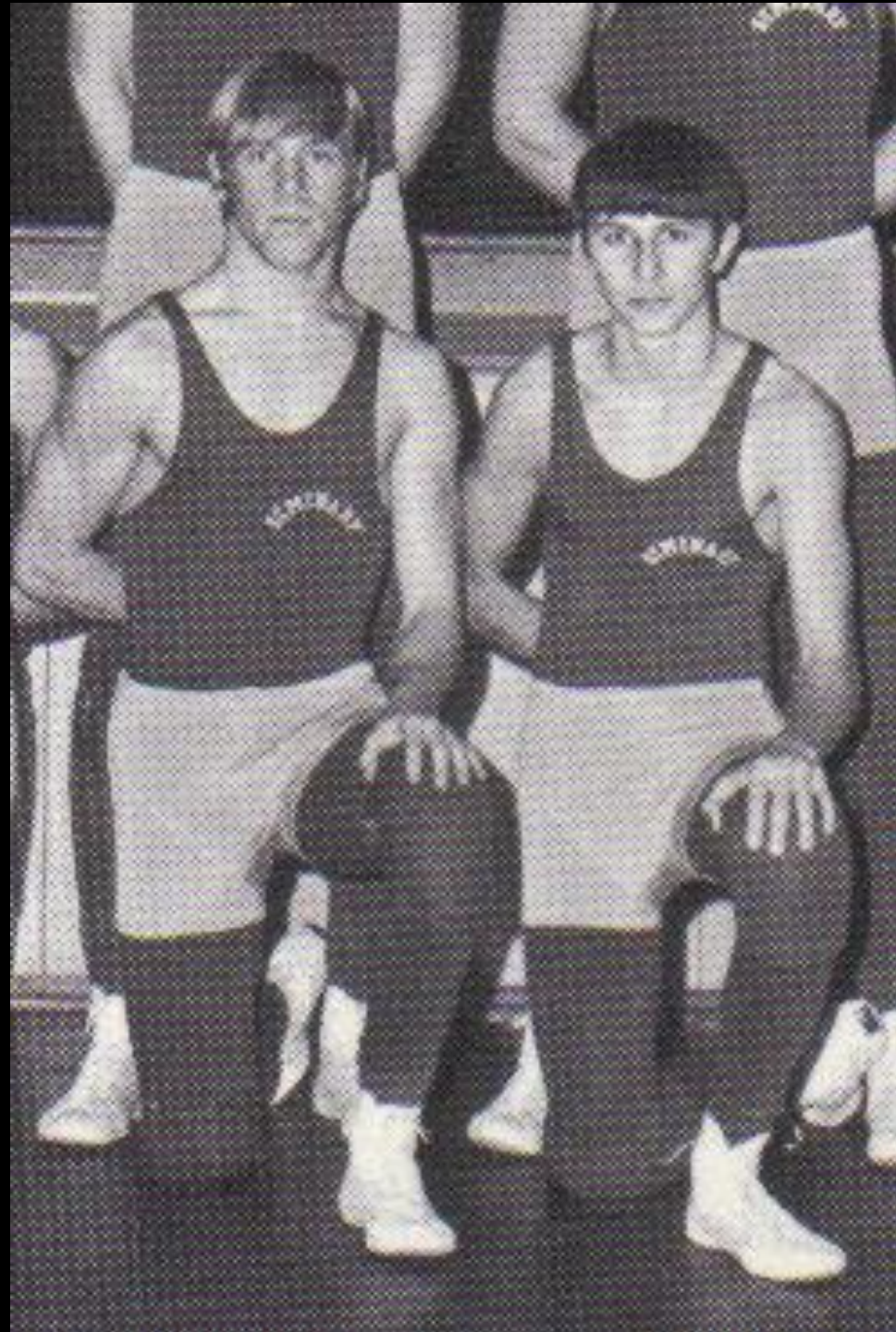
“Be on your guard against men; they will hand you over to the local councils and flog you in their synagogues. On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles.

“But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

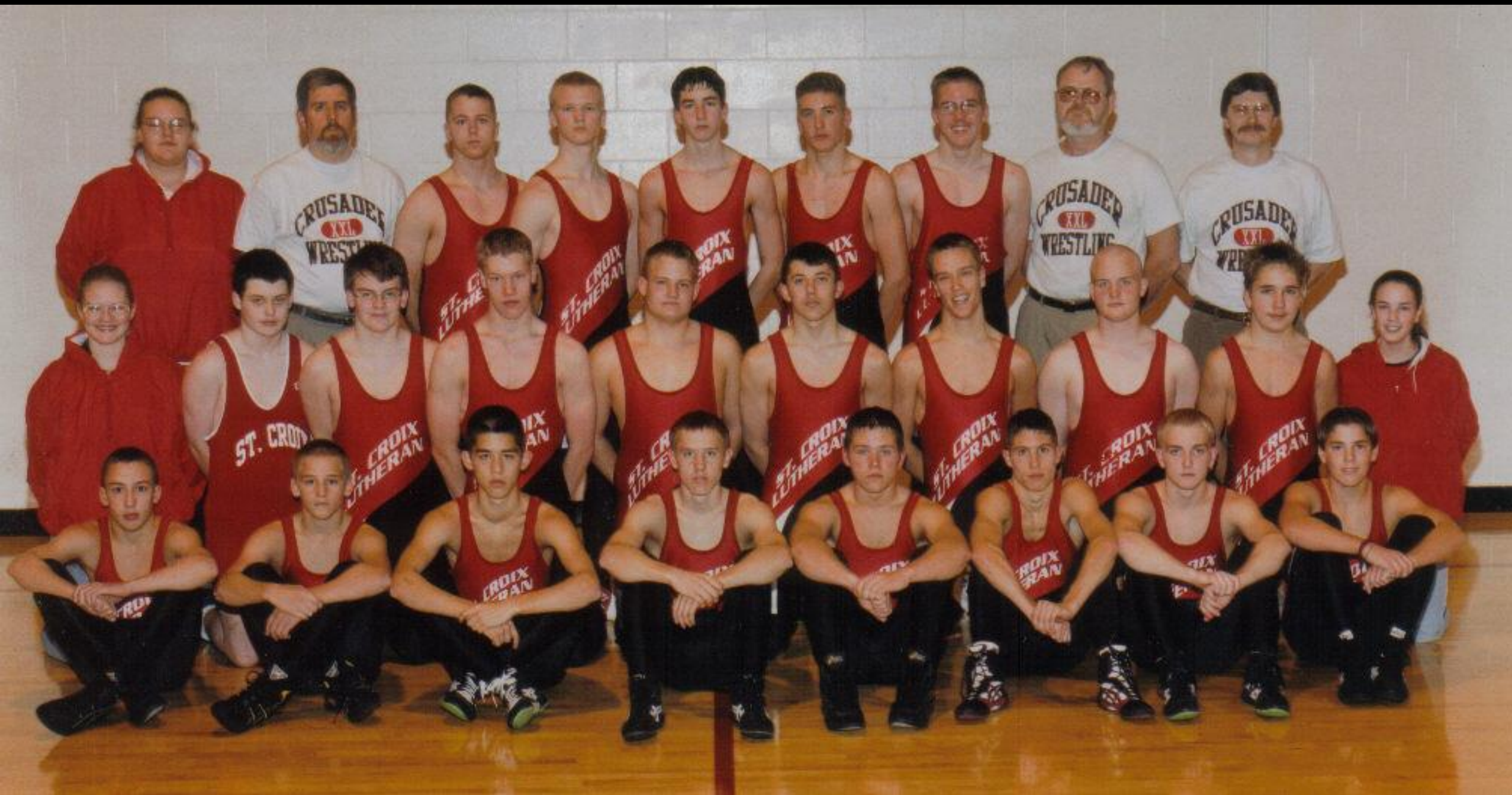
“Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. I tell you the truth, you will not finish going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

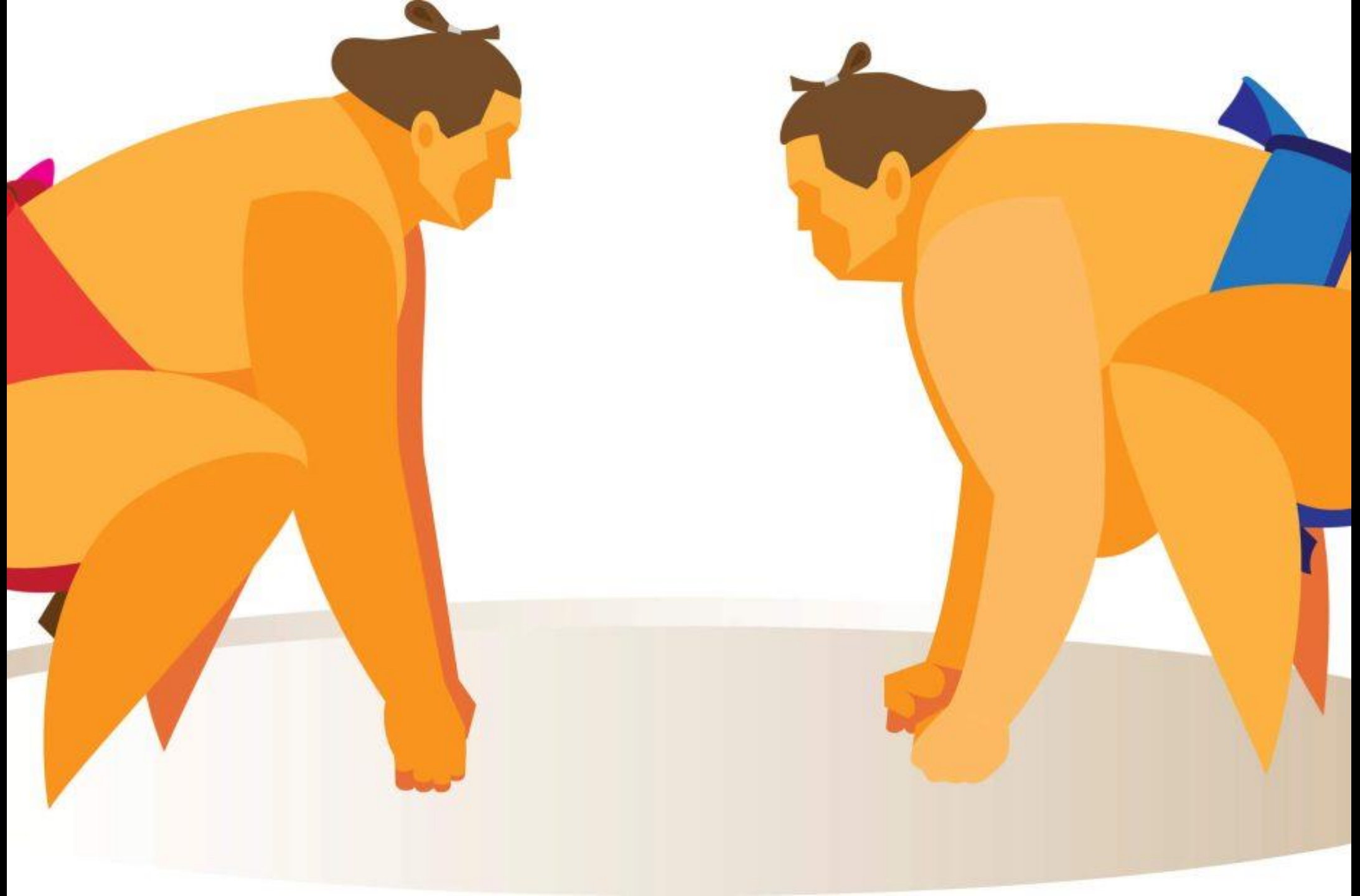
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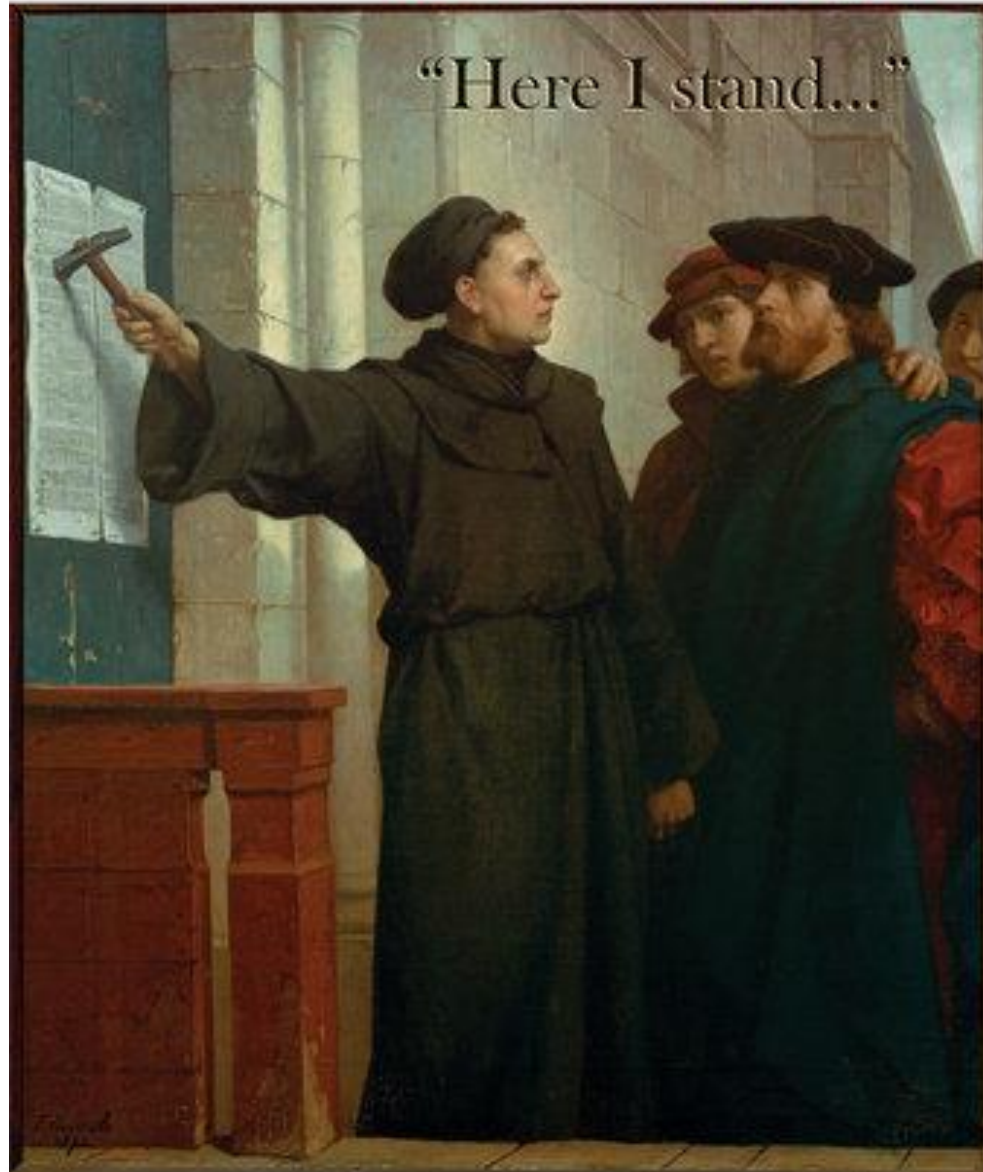








Géraldine Elschner **Martin Luther**



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THESES

HERE I STAND I CAN DO NO OTHER

**"Here I stand,
I can do no other.
God help me.
Amen."**

MARTIN LUTHER

**"If any man serve me,
let him follow me;
and where I am,
there shall also my servant be."
John 12:26**

HOLY BIBLE



**GOSPEL
GOAL**

SERMON HYMN:

#863 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* (vs.1-4)

V1. A mighty fortress is our God,
 a trusty shield and weapon;
 he helps us free from ev'ry need
 that has us now o'ertaken.

The old evil foe now means deadly woe;
 deep guile and great might
 are his dread arms in fight;
 on earth is not his equal.



V2. With might of ours can naught be done,
soon were our loss effected;
but for us fights the valiant one
whom God himself elected.

You ask, "Who is this?"

Jesus Christ it is,
the almighty Lord,
and there's no other God;
he holds the field forever.

V3. Though devils all the world should fill,
all eager to devour us,
we tremble not, we fear no ill;
they shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still
scowl fierce as he will,
he can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done;
one little word can fell him.

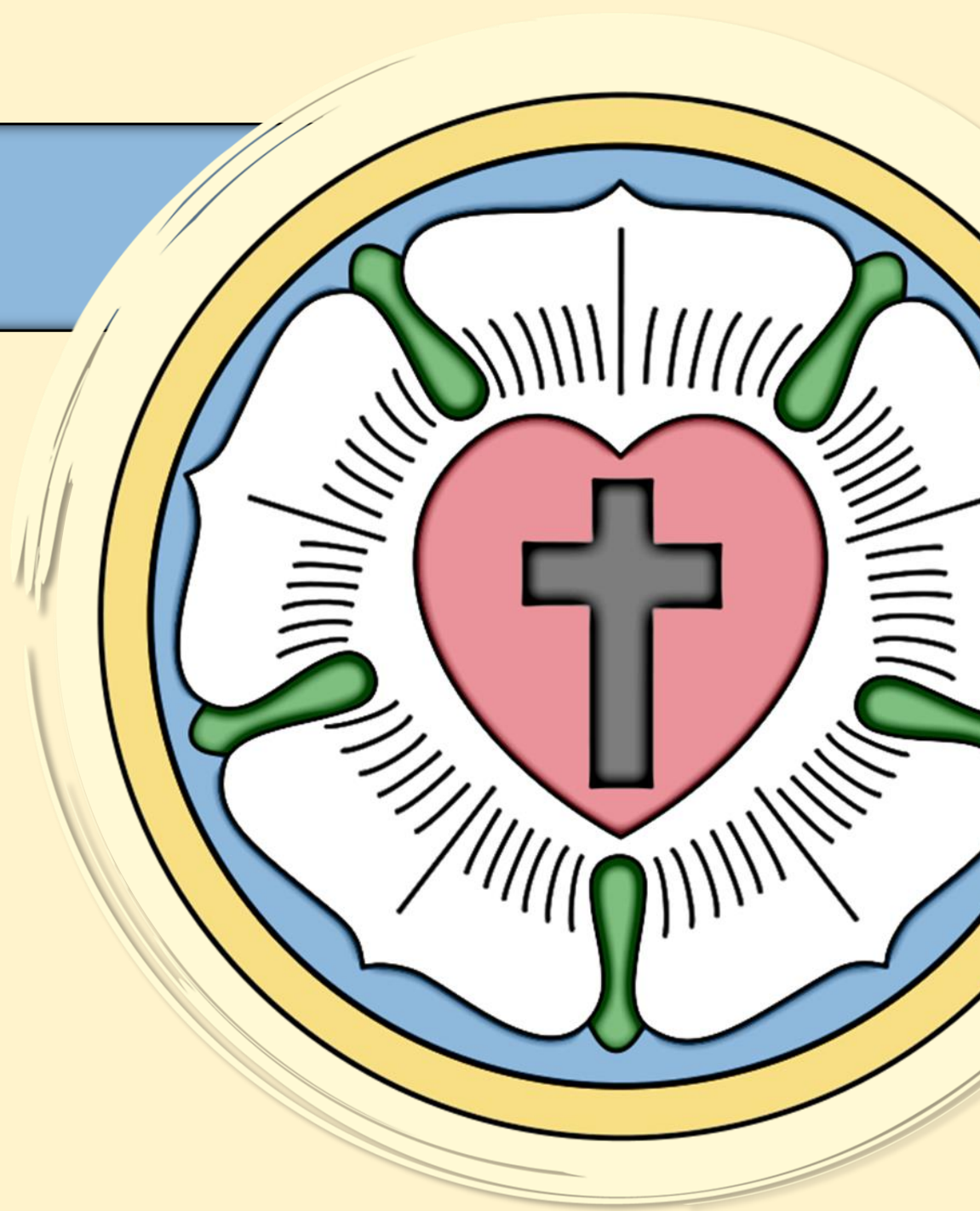
V4. The Word they still shall let remain
nor any thanks have for it;
he's by our side upon the plain
with his good gifts and Spirit.

And take they our life,
goods, fame, child, and wife,
though all may be gone,
our victory is won;
the kingdom's ours forever!

THE WORD

SERMON TEXT

**Daniel 6:10-12,
16-27**



Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before. Then these men went as a group and found Daniel praying and asking God for help.

So they went to the king and spoke to him about his royal decree: “Did you not publish a decree that during the next thirty days anyone who prays to any god or man except to you, O king, would be thrown into the lions’ den?” The king answered, “The decree stands—in accordance with the laws of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be repealed.”

So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!"

A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the rings of his nobles, so that Daniel's situation might not be changed. Then the king returned to his palace and spent the night without eating and without any entertainment being brought to him. And he could not sleep.

At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?"

Daniel answered, “O king, live forever! My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, O king.”

The king was overjoyed and gave orders to lift Daniel out of the den. And when Daniel was lifted from the den, no wound was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

At the king's command, the men who had falsely accused Daniel were brought in and thrown into the lions' den, along with their wives and children. And before they reached the floor of the den, the lions overpowered them and crushed all their bones.

Then King Darius wrote to all the peoples, nations and men of every language throughout the land:

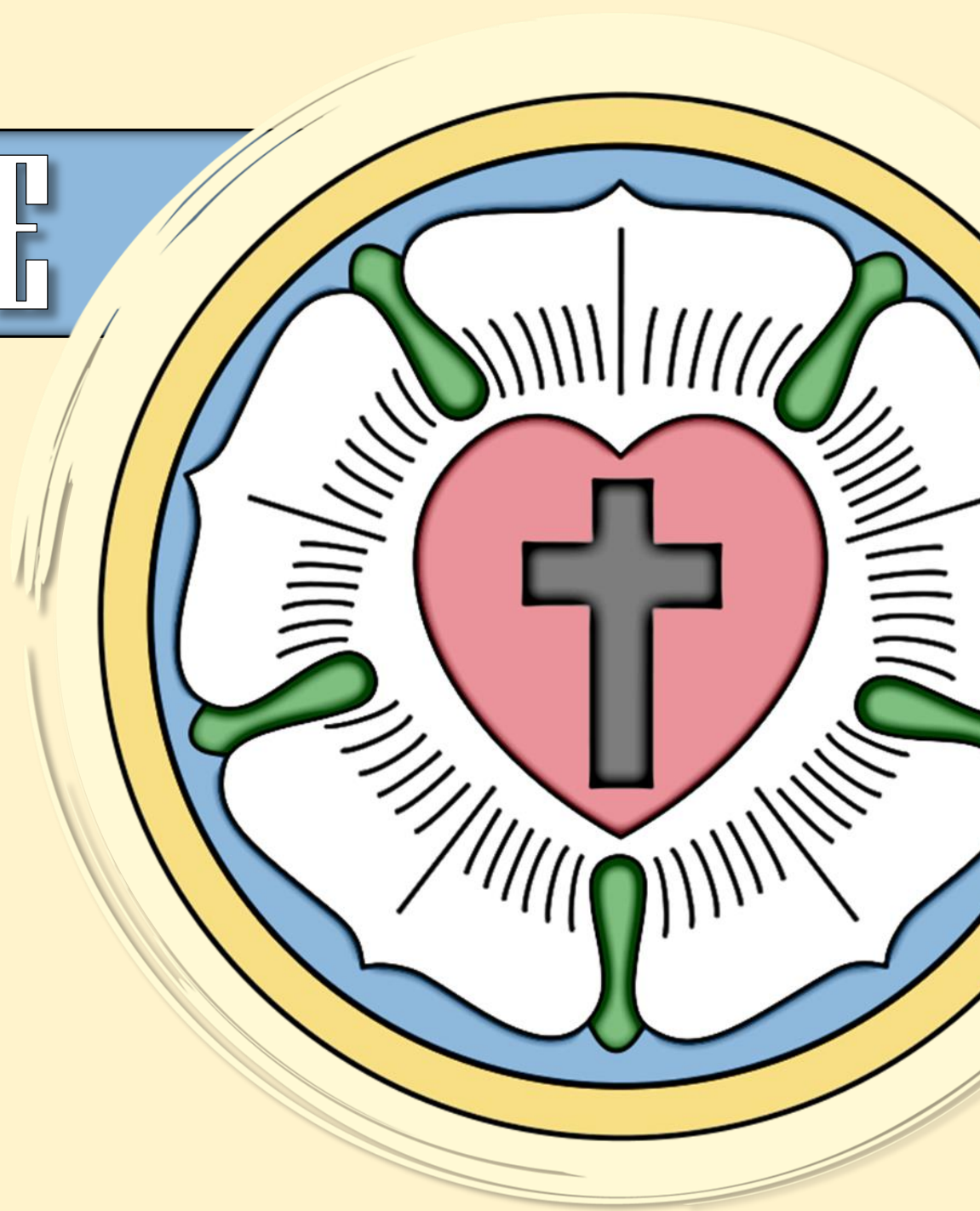
“May you prosper greatly!

“I issue a decree that in every part of my kingdom people must fear and reverence the God of Daniel.

“For he is the living God
and he endures forever;
his kingdom will not be destroyed,
his dominion will never end.
He rescues and he saves;
he performs signs and wonders
in the heavens and on the earth.
He has rescued Daniel
from the power of the lions.”

SERMON THEME

**It's Time to Stay
Steadfast**



SONG: This We Believe (Choir & Cong.)



The image displays three staves of musical notation for the song 'This We Believe'. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'We be-lieve in one true God,' are aligned under the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with eighth and quarter notes, including a measure with a whole note. The lyrics 'maker of earth and heav-en, Lord of all and' are aligned under this staff. The third staff concludes the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a quarter rest. The lyrics 'Lord of love, from whom all things are giv - en.' are aligned under this staff.

We be-lieve in one true God,
maker of earth and heav-en, Lord of all and
Lord of love, from whom all things are giv - en.



We be-lieve in a God of strength and might who



cares for us___ by day and night. We be-lieve in



one true God.

We be-lieve.____



We be-lieve in Je - sus Christ, born of a vir - gin

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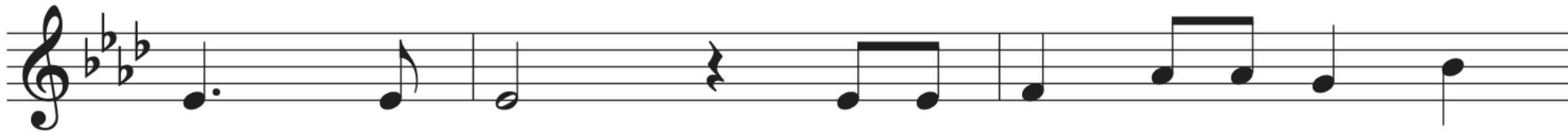
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We be-lieve in Jes-us Christ. We be-lieve.____



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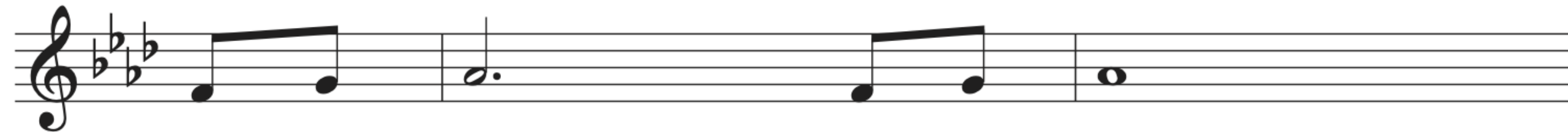
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We be - lieve that our sins are for - giv - en.



And we be-lieve we will live in heav-en.



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We be-lieve. _____



We be-lieve in one true God,



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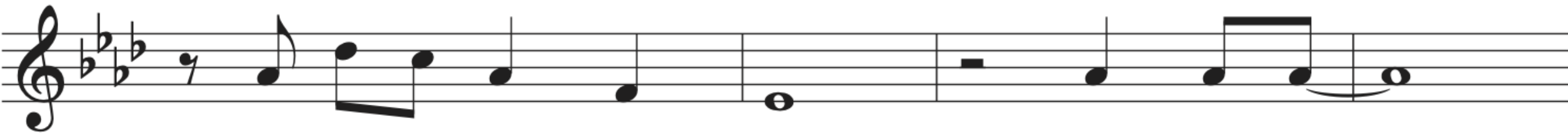
whom all thing are giv - en.



We be - lieve that the church is one great un - ion.



We be - lieve in the Saints' Com-mun - ion.



And we be-lieve in God.

We be-lieve.____



We be-lieve.____

This we be-lieve.____

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Prayer of the Church

† Pastor Lynn Wiedmann will be going in for a heart procedure this week

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace.
Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be
gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give
you peace.

C: Amen.

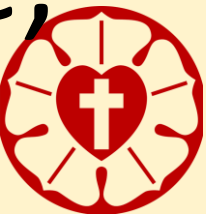


CLOSING HYMN: #870 *O Church, Arise* (vs.1-4)

V1. O Church, arise, and put your armor on;
hear the call of Christ our captain.

For now the weak can say that they are strong
in the strength that God has given.

With shield of faith and belt of truth
we'll stand against the devil's lies;
an army bold whose battle cry is love,
reaching out to those in darkness.



V2.

Our call to war— to love the captive soul,
but to rage against the captor;
and with the sword that makes
the wounded whole
we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,
we know the outcome is secure,
and Christ will have the prize for which he died—
an inheritance of nations.

V3. Come see the cross,
 where love and mercy meet,
 as the Son of God is stricken;
then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet,
 for the Conqueror has risen!
 And as the stone is rolled away,
 and Christ emerges from the grave,
this vict'ry march continues till the day
 ev'ry eye and heart shall see him.

V4. So Spirit come,
 put strength in ev'ry stride,
 give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
that we may run with faith to win the prize
 of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
 retelling triumphs of his grace,
we hear their calls and hunger for the day
 when with Christ we stand in glory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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TODAY

After Worship



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The teens and your stomach will
Thank You!



VOLUNTEER EVENT



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Saturday, November 14 | 12-3:00pm



THANKS FOR SERVING

- † Guest Pastor: Rod Pudell
- † Pianist: Marcia Michalik
- † Trumpet: Jeff Siewert, Sally Gave
- † Choir
- † AV Team
- † Serving: Flock #4 – Jeff Rindt

