

# **Glynde Lutheran Church**

***a multi-cultural community of faith***



Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021  
Pentecost 23, Year B (Reformation)  
9am Worship Service

## **HYMN: LH 330 “ROCK OF AGES”**

[https://youtu.be/gM7gt\\_cSxjw](https://youtu.be/gM7gt_cSxjw)

**Rock of ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure:  
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.**

**Not the labours of my hands  
Can fulfil Thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears for ever flow,  
All for sin could not atone:  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring,  
Simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.**

**While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When my eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See Thee on Thy judgement-throne:  
Rock of ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee.**

*Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778)*

*Music: R Redhead 1820-1901 (1853)*

## **WELCOME**

## **IN THE NAME**

**In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **GREETING** - *spoken*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY (ALL)**

**Almighty and eternal God,  
in mercy you give the light of your gospel  
to your church.**

**Keep us in sound teaching,  
so that we may firmly believe  
and faithfully follow  
your saving word,  
and finally, with its holy comfort,  
die in peace and joy.**

**We ask this through your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.  
Amen.**

### **THEME OF THE DAY**

Ephesians 2:1 – 10  
“By grace alone”  
Reformation

### **FIRST READING**

[Jeremiah 31:31 – 34](#)

*After the reading: spoken*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **SECOND READING**

[Ephesians 2:1 – 10](#)

*After the reading: spoken*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **RESPONSE** - *sung*

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## GOSPEL (SPOKEN)

John 8:31 – 36

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**KIDS IN WORSHIP:** “It’s free!”

\* Ask the children, “When have you got something for free?” “When do you get gifts?”

*On your birthday, at Christmas, at Easter...*

What did you get? What do you want to receive this Christmas?

Can you think of any other times that you have gotten things for free?

*I love going to the show because you can taste cheese and biscuits and sweets for free.*

\* I’ve got something that I’d like to give you for free. I have here a bag of jelly beans, or other lollies, and all you have to do to get them is to put out your hands. *I’ll spoon them into your hands with my ladle, a big spoon....*

\* Well, is it good to get things for free?

*Yes, it’s great getting something for free.*

\* You know, these lollies are free to you *but* it cost me to be able to give these lollies to you.

I had to go out to the Supermarket and buy them... 😊 But they are free to you, and you receive them by putting your hands out.

\* You know, God offers a whole lot of wonderful gifts for free: His love, His forgiveness, His Holy Spirit to live in us, a new life as His dear child, and eternal life with him in ‘heaven’.

It cost God “heaps” to make these gifts available to us. What do you think it cost God to make all these gifts available to us “for free”?

*It cost God sending His Son to die on the cross for us. Jesus died on the cross for me and for you....*

So these gifts are free to you and me, but they cost God plenty. But they are “free” to us! All we have to do to receive them is to put out our hands: that’s what faith is.

Let's listen to Colin Buchanan sing what Jesus did for us so that we can have God's gifts for free. Let's sing: "He died upon the cross"....

**KIDS SONG:**

"He died upon the cross"

[https://youtu.be/9\\_LUVNqWs0M?t=21](https://youtu.be/9_LUVNqWs0M?t=21)

**NICENE CREED:**

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us\* and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic† and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

## **HYMN: LHS 851 “AMAZING GRACE”**

<https://youtu.be/cIYvT745alg>

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.**

**‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!**

**Through many dangers, toil, and snares  
I have already come:  
‘tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me,  
his Word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.**

*Words: John Newton*

*Music: Edwin Orthello Excell 1851-1921*

## **SERMON**

**Ephesians 2:1 – 10  
“By grace alone”  
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Click [HERE](#) to view to message the on YouTube

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus. Amen.

**HYMN: LH 332 “YOUR WORKS NOT MINE”**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8hV31f9S\\_Tw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8hV31f9S_Tw)

**Your works, not mine, O Christ,  
speak gladness to this heart;  
they tell me all is done;  
they bid my fear depart.  
To whom save you,  
who can alone  
for sin atone,  
Lord, can I go?**

**Your wounds, not mine, O Christ,  
can heal my hurting soul;  
the suffering that you bore  
can soothe and make me whole.  
To whom save you,  
who can alone  
for sin atone,  
Lord, can I go?**

**Your cross, not mine, O Christ,  
has borne the awful load  
of sins that none could bear  
but the incarnate God.  
To whom save you,  
who can alone  
for sin atone,  
Lord, can I go?**

**Your death, not mine, O Christ,  
has paid the ransom due;  
ten thousand deaths like mine  
would have been all too few.  
To whom save you,  
who can alone  
for sin atone,  
Lord, can I go?**

**Your righteousness, O Christ,  
alone can cover me;  
no righteousness avails,  
but yours, eternally.  
To whom save you,  
who can alone  
for sin atone,  
Lord, can I go?**

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**Heavenly Father,  
there is nothing that we could offer to you  
as a sacrifice for our sin.  
Yet in your great love,  
you have offered up your own Son,  
so that through him we may be put right with you.  
Accept the gifts we offer here today,  
as mere tokens of our gratitude  
for the great gift of salvation  
which you have given to us.  
Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF GODS PEOPLE**

### *Call to prayer*

We have been put right with God through faith in Christ Jesus, so let us come to the Father in the name of Jesus to pray for the church, the world, and those in need.

### *The regular response, OR:*

Lord, send out your light and your truth;  
**lead us, and bring us to your kingdom.**

### *Suggested intercessions*

- \* for the church, as it searches for God's will in the new millennium
- \* for the work of dialogue between churches, and thanks for agreement already reached
- \* for the people of God, that they may be renewed each day in their baptism
- \* for pastors and teachers of the word, that they may be faithful to the truth
- \* for reformers in society and those who work for the changes that bring justice
- \* for all who are weighed down by guilt and sin, that they may be set free by the gospel
- \* for all who search for the truth, that God's Spirit may lead them to Christ.

### *Concluding prayer*

Lord God, we trust that by your Spirit you will always lead your church forward in truth. Guide us and lead us, so that your renewing word may give light and truth to the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER – *spoken***

**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 – *spoken***

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 favour,† and give you peace.

**Amen**

**HYMN: LH 195 “A MIGHTY FORTRESS”**

<https://youtu.be/IIzLQ51LijQ>

**A mighty fortress is our God,  
A trusty shield and weapon.  
Our faithful helper in all need,  
Our stay, whate'er may happen,  
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.**

**With might of ours can naught be done,  
Soon were our fall effected;  
But for us fights the valiant one  
Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye: Who is this?  
Christ Jesus it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there's none other God;  
He holds the field for ever.**

**Though devils all the world should fill,  
All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill,  
They shall not overpower us.  
This world's prince may still  
Scowl fierce as he will,  
he can harm us none;  
He's judged, for e'er undone;  
One little word can fell him.**

**The Word shall stand despite all foes  
No thanks they for it merit  
For God is with us, and bestows  
His gifts and Holy Spirit.  
And take they our life,  
Goods, fame, child, and wife:  
Though these all be gone,  
Yet have our foes not won;  
The kingdom ours remaineth.**

*Words: M Luther ( 1483-1546)  
Music: M Luther 1483-1546 (1528)*