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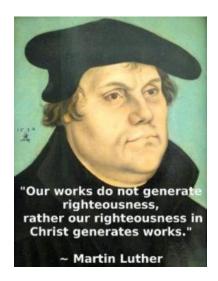
## From the Pastor's Desk

#### October 2022



Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; -Romans 3:19-25

This is the epistle text for Reforthis Word of God given by the mation Day. Reformation Day is the day set aside to commemorate the day that Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses to the door of the castle church in Wittenberg Germany in 1517 kicking off the reformation.



Martin Luther was incredibly troubled by the sale of indulgences, the idea that someone could make them or their loved ones right with God by simply purchasing a piece of paper that promised absolution. Imagine having a loved one that had lived a troubled life pass away and the priest tells you that they're in purgatory but for a small fee they could grant you an indulgence that would gain your loved one heaven itself. In

Apostle Paul we see the folly of such a practice.

We are not justified by the deeds of the law. We are not justified by the deeds of our flesh. We are not justified by anything that we do. We are only ever justified by faith and faith alone. Not works, not money, and certainly not a purchased indulgence can make us right with God. This justification cannot be purchased because it is freely given by His grace.

This truth is reflected in the words of "A Mighty Fortress is our God". "With might of ours could not be won, soon were our loss effected. But for us fights the valiant one whom God himself elected.... He holds the field forever".

Christ is our righteousness, our peace, and our joy. May God give us the grace to cling ever tighter to Him in true repentance and faith.

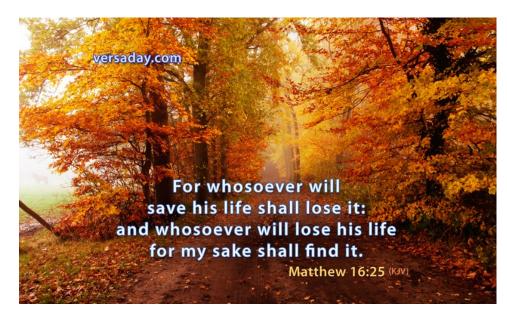
God's Peace, Pastor Nicholas Kandoll

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- If you only forgive when someone deserves it, you will never forgive.
- If you only forgive when someone asks, you will rarely forgive.
- Your reason for forgiving must be that God has forgiven you.
- No one has sinned against you as much as you have sinned against God.
- If Christ can reconcile a sinner like you with a Holy God, he can surely reconcile two sinners with each other.
- No sin ever transgressed against you is a greater debt than Jesus' blood can pay.
- A person who does not forgive is a person who is perpetually miserable.
- 8. A person who does not forgive does not understand their own need for forgiveness.
- The only way to forgive is to forgive gratuitously, lavishly, and freely (just as God has forgiven you).
- Forgiveness frees the forgiver even more than it frees the forgiven.
- "Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye." Colossians 3:13 KJV



Our friend and relative to many, Julia Tumberg, has decided to move to SC. We pray God's blessings on her new adventure and will miss her. Thank you Julia for your service to our congregation and your kitchen help for so many years.



The seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath.

Lev 23:39

The world is filled with violence, terrorism, and senseless crime. How is it possible to enjoy inner peace when there is so much turmoil all around us. By drawing on two passages from the prophet Isaiah, the hymn writer Frances Ridley Havergal tells how. In Isaiah 48:18, God promises peace like a river. And in Isaiah 26:3 Isaiah writes, "You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you." (NIV) In one of her last letters, Havergal quoted Romans 5:1: "We have peace with God." Then she added as a note to her friend, "It is yours already, purchased for you, made for you, sealed for you, pledged to you, by the word of the Father and the precious blood of Jesus." It is not merely peace that God promises, but perfect peace--perfected, completed in Christ. Allow this song to fill your heart!

Like a River Glorious (page 512 in Hymns & Songs of Zion)

Like a river glorious, is God's perfect peace, Over all victorious in its bright increase; Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day, Perfect, yet it growth deeper all the way.

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand, never foe can follow, never traitor stand; Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care, Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there.

Every joy or testing comes from God above, Given to His children as an act of love; We may trust him fully, all for us to do--Those who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.

#### Chorus:

Trusting in Jehovah, hearts are fully blest Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

#### The Second Commandment.: Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.

- 1 That is: Thou shalt have [and worship] Me alone as thy God. What is the force of this, and how is it to be understood? What does it mean to have a god? or, what is God? 2 Answer: A god means that from which we are to expect all good and to which we are to take refuge i n all distress, so that to have a God is nothing else than to trust and believe Him from the [whole] heart; as I have often said that the confidence and faith of the heart alone make both God and an idol. 3 If your faith and trust be right, then is your god also true; and, on the other hand, if your trust be false and wrong, then you have not the true God; for these two belong together, faith and God. That now, I say, upon which you set your heart and put your trust is properly your god.
- 4 Therefore it is the intent of this commandment to require true faith and trust of the heart which settles upon the only true God, and clings to Him alone. That is as much as to say: "See to it that you let Me alone be your God, and never seek another," i.e.: Whatever you lack of good things, expect it of Me, and look to Me for it, and whenever you suffer misfortune and distress, creep and cling to Me. I, yes, I, will give you enough and help you out of every need; only let not your heart cleave to or rest in any other.
- 47 Let us, then, learn well the First Commandment, that we may see how God will tolerate no presumption nor any trust in any other object, and how He requires nothing higher of us than confidence from the heart for everything good, so that we may proceed right and straightforward and use all the blessings which God gives no farther than as a shoemaker uses his needle, awl, and thread for work, and then lays them aside, or as a traveler uses an inn, and food, and his bed only for temporal necessity, each one in his station, according to God's order, and without allowing any of these things to be our lord or idol. 48 Let this suffice with respect to the First Commandment, which we have had to explain at length, since it is of chief importance, because, as before said, where the heart is rightly disposed toward God and this commandment is observed, all the others follow.

  Luther's large Catechism

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Sunday mornings English at 8:05 am

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## **Church Hours**

Sunday School @ 9:15 Worship @ 10:30

If you choose to watch the services online and would like to donate to the church please send checks to:

Louise Amberg-Jokela

206 South Broadway #107 New York Mills, MN 56567.

Thank you to everyone that has taken the time to send contributions. It is greatly appreciated!

Meals/potluck, will be served on the

first Sunday

Group 9 serves in OCT
Group 10 in NOV

The group will make the main dishes (unless announced otherwise) and others are asked to bring salads or desserts.

There is a sign up sheet for Sunday coffee in the dining room.



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# **FOOD SHELF HOURS**

OCT 31, 2022

\*NOV 21, 2022

\*DEC 19, 2022

JAN 30, 2023

FEB 27, 2023

#### **HOURS 9-NOON**

THE FOOD SHELF IS OPEN 1
 WEEK EARLY DUE TO THE
 HOLIDAY