



**WELCOME TO**  
Greenhills Community Church,  
Presbyterian

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October 31, 2021  
Reformation Sunday

Transitional Pastor, Rev. Chris White  
Guest Preacher, Ruth Saylor, REPI

**Zoom Codes:** 824 7351 2283 pw 994319

[\* At this sign, please rise in body or in spirit; **bold** indicates congregation's responses.]

## Welcome, Announcements, and Invitation

Liturgist, Jim Hadley

## Prelude

*My Jesus, I Love Thee*  
Brad Caldwell, piano

Arr., Penny Rodriguez

## \*Call to Worship

As we remember and observe the beginning of the Reformation movement, we celebrate the Church that was, the Church that is, and the Church that will be.

**We give thanks for living in a time and place where we experience the freedom of religious belief, gathering, and expression.**

Help us, O God, to strengthen our own faith and traditions, and to value all children of God, creatures of a living God who knows and loves each and every one of us.

**Although we might not know where our faith journey may take us, let us remember that our journey will always be filled with God's grace.**

Let us worship God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

**Yes, let us worship God; let us praise God; let us give thanks to God.**

**Amen!**

## \*Opening Prayer

O Lord, we come from a week that has had its share of demands, challenges, and for some of us, even some rewards. We admit to being frazzled, distracted, not fully present. Break through all that keeps us from hearing you, O God. Fill our minds with your Word and our hearts with a desire to serve you. Accept our praise. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

## \*Hymn #275

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

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## Call to Reconciliation

As we come before God in worship and praise, let us first be honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. Together, let us seek God's forgiveness and mercy by reading together this morning's prayer of confession..

## Prayer of Confession

**O gracious God, as we remember the new spirit you provided on the day Martin Luther set off a reformation, we pray for your holy Church universal and all the saints within it. Where there is corruption, purify. Where there is error, correct. Where there is anything amiss, reform. Where there is want, provide. Where there is division, reunite. Forgive us our failings and fill us with truth, in peace. Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. Friends, know you are forgiven and be at peace.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**\*Response #399**

*God Welcomes All*

THEMBA AMEN

## The Peace

Hear the teaching of Christ: A new command I give you, that you love one Another as I have loved you. The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you!**

## Prayer for Illumination

O God, fill us with your Spirit, as we hear your Word. Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence. Sharpen our minds that we may discern your truth. Shape our wills that we may desire your ways. Reform us into a likeness of our Savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

**First Lesson**

Psalm 146

NRSV OT, p.581-582

**Musical Offering**

*Consecration*  
Cari Sullivan, soprano, Brad Caldwell, piano

John Ness Beck

**Second Lesson**

Philippians 4:4-9

NRSV NT, p. 198-199

**Sermon**

*Reformation Revisited*

Ruth Saylor, REPI

**\*Hymn # 804**

*Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart*

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**\*Affirmation of Faith**      *The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **We Present Our Tithes and Offerings**

*(Prayer concerns may be placed in the offering plates)*

**Invitation**

**Offertory**

“Offertory”

John Ness Beck

Cari Sullivan, soprano, Brad Caldwell, piano

**\*Doxology # 609**

*Praise God*

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**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Lord God, we bless you for all your many gifts to us. We return these gifts as a token of our gratitude, longing for the conviction and strength to offer our whole lives to your service. Receive them for the sake of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

## **Joys and Concerns**

### **Prayers of the People**

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*Hymn # 610**

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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**\*Charge – Micah 6:8**

God has shown you what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?  
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

**\*Benediction**

Go in peace as the reaffirmed and reformed church of Jesus Christ. Go be his body in a broken world. May the grace of God and the love of Christ go with you. Amen.

**Postlude**

*We Shall Go Out With Joy*  
The Greenhills Strings

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

*Please be seated in order to enjoy the postlude.*

**Sources:** *Worship Resources for Special Sundays, Book of Common Prayer, The Worship Source Book*

**Participants:**

**Pastor:** Rev. Chris White

**Liturgist:** Jim Hadley

**Music Director:** Brad Caldwell

**Ushers:** Phil Haisley & Chris Newcomer

**Sound:** Cliff Kizuka & Jim Hadley

**Greeter:** Helen Ferguson

**Zoom Hosts:** Vince Greene/Jim Hadley

**Guest Preacher:** Ruth Saylor, REPI

**Counters:** Chris Newcomer, Paul Odegard

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All are invited to stay after Worship for Fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall.

Following that, the discussion on racism and anti-racism will continue in the same room. Please consider staying to participate in that activity as well.

**Coming Events:**

Monday, Nov. 1 - PNC (210) 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday Nov. 2 – Prayer Shawl (210) 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 4 – Matthew 25 – 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

**Next Sunday, Day Light Saving Time Ends!**



(Fall back)