

Reformation Sunday
Sunday, October 25, 2015

16548 Ferris Avenue, Los Gatos, CA 95032 *Indicates those who are able, may stand.

*P = Pastor speaking; AM = Assisting Minister speaks; C = Congregation speaks

GATHERING

Prelude

The Invitation of the Bell

Gathering Song— “Come Let Us Worship” -insert

Welcome and Praise Reports

Prayer of the Day

C: Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Oct. 25, 2015

New Life Band Concert— Sunday, October 25th, 3:00 PM-
New Creation Lutheran Church, 72758 Santa Theresa Blvd,
San Jose, Ca 95119
"JAMBO!"

NEW LIFE BAND 2015 Tour

TRADITIONAL AND CONTEMPORARY
**GOSPEL MUSIC OF
TANZANIA!**



The New Life Band, will begin their 2015
CA/MN/WI Tour in the SF Bay Area, engaging audiences through its close
harmonies, traditional African drum rhythms, and contemporary
Christian music of Africa.

Concert admission is FREE - Donations are welcome
NLB is a non- profit ministry in Tanzania

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oct. 25, 2015

Youth/Children's Sunday School—8:30 AM, Room 2
Adult Sunday Bible Study—Sundays at 8:45 AM
Lord's Pantry deliveries are made every Monday

Financials/Attendance for Oct. 18th

Attendance:

Offering: \$0.00

Social Concern of the Month: \$0.00



In Our Prayers...

- Nathan Balcomb/Crall
- Sharon Biller
- Elizabeth Krc
- Marie Hughes
- Tia Balcomb
- Pastor Kimm
- Lira Kingston
- Family of Susan Lomax
(Father, Leo Rickard,
passed away)

This is the Feast ...

Refrain
Assisting minister

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

WORD

Children's Message

Pastor Anne

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

AM: ³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband,[a] says the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

~October Celebration~

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

John Botelho	27
Shirley Brothers	27
Stefan Myslicki	28



The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle—This week India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

Give thanks for: A rich history and culture that spans several millennia; Ethnic and religious diversity throughout this region; The devotion and faith of those who work with the poor, refugees, orphans, the dying, and the hungry; The apostle St Thomas who founded a church in India; Those who cross boundaries of clan and religion in order to make peace; Educational institutions and hospitals founded by Christian missionaries, which continue to serve all people irrespective of their religion, caste or creed.

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Term Pastor: Pastor Anne Carlson  
Organist: Catherine Ellacer  
Ushers: Bob Balcomb/Les Grundy  
Reader/Intercessions:  
Refreshments:  
Greeter:  
Flowers:

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Service Needs for Nov. 1st :

Can you help?

*As you walk back to the refreshments, please stop at the
sign up sheet in the Narthex.*

*Reader *Refreshments *Greeter

Psalm 46

Read responsively

- ¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- ²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**
- ³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- ⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.
- ⁶**The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**
- ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- ⁸**Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.**
- ⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.
- ¹⁰**“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”**
- ¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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Gospel Acclamation *

God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

God's word is our great her - i - tage and shall be ours for - ev - er;

to spread its light from age to age shall be our chief en - deav - or.

Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay. Lord, grant while

time shall last your church may hold it fast through-out all gen - er - a - tions.

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Ole G. Belshem, 1881–1925, alt.
Music: EINE FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all people here below;
praise God above, all heav'nly hosts;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Amen

Invitation & Announcements

Blessing*

P: The blessing of God's eternal love, the courage to follow the way of Christ's cross, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the broken places of our world, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C:Amen

Sending Hymn—ELW

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“A Mighty Fortress” - verses 1,2,4

*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Invitation to the table

P: Come to the banquet, for nothing and no one can take your place. This is God's table, and Jesus is the host of this meal. It is a table of grace and it is all we will ever need.

Come, for all are welcome.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The life and covenant of Jesus, our companion, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

SENDING

Offering

P: In response to all that God does for us, it is appropriate that we give in return . . .

We will now receive our offering.

The Holy Gospel according to John 8:31-38:

C: Glory to You, O Lord

³¹ Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."³³ They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. ³⁷ I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you look for an opportunity to kill me, because there is no place in you for my word. ³⁸ I declare what I have seen in the Father's presence; as for you, you should do what you have heard from the Father."

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Message

Pastor Anne

“What Does this Mean”

Song of the Day* - ELW

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“We All Are One In Mission”

(During the hymn, hand the usher any prayer request cards.)

Apostles Creed*

P: With the whole Church, let us affirm our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
on the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

This cup is the new covenant given to you and to all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Whenever you do this, remember me.

Holy God, we pray for your Spirit to come.

Enliven this bread. Awaken this body of Christ.

Pour us out for each other. Ignite your church.

Come Holy Spirit in this place.

Let us join our voices together and pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

The Lord’s Prayer

C: 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 trespasses,

**as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

P: It is indeed right, our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . .

Communion Prayer*

P: Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness, you have made this world and called us to be your children. We praise you, as you call us to build your people into a community of love.

You sent your son Jesus to show us who we are to be.

He showed us how to forgive and taught us that love is stronger than any force of evil or sin. Help us to remember the call you have given us as we gather here at Jesus' table to celebrate this meal.

We recall on the night before he died, Jesus took bread, blessed, broke it, and shared it with all who were there, saying:

Take and eat; this is my life, given for you.

Whenever you do this, re-member me.

In the same way, he took a cup of wine from the table, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Prayers of Intercession*

Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Uniting God, join together the many and varied voices of your church into one great voice, so that all the world may hear the good news of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Uphold the expansive network of your creation as birds migrate and animals prepare for hibernation. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Bend our ears to hear the cries of those who long for justice and inclusion. Teach us to listen and respond. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Send your Spirit to stir up healing and wholeness where there is illness, conflict between neighbors, war, or any kind of suffering. Give relief to all who are in need (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Breathe your reforming Spirit into the church today. Open us to receive the newness ever-present in your ancient gifts, and call us to action by your gracious and freeing word. Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

We pray for the world. This week from the Cycle of World Prayer we especially lift up India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka. May they live in your peace and protection. Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Bless the ministry of New Creation, San Jose, our sister congregation in our parish and we lift them up in prayer. Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

You have done great things in the lives of the saints. Reveal to us the glorious works you do every day, that we recognize your kingdom when it comes. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord.
C: Amen.



MEAL

P: Peace of the Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.