\* Call to Worship: Psalm 86:8-10
There is none like you, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.
All the nations you have made
shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things,

## \* God's Greeting

#### \* How Vast the Benefits Divine

you alone are God.

#497:1,2,3 (PH)

How vast the benefits divine
Which we in Christ possess!
We are redeemed from sin and shame,
And called to holiness.
'Tis not for works that we have done
These all to him we owe;
But he of his electing love salvation does bestow.

To you, O Christ, alone is due All glory and renown; No merit of our own we claim, Nor rob you of your crown. You were our only surety In God's redemption plan; In you his grace was given us before the world began.

Within the arms of sovereign love
We ever shall remain;
Nor shall the rage of earth or hell
Make God's sure counsel vain.
Each one of all the chosen race
Shall surely heaven attain;
Here they will share abounding grace,
And there with Jesus reign.

#### \* The Church's One Foundation

#502:1,2 (PH)

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation by water and the Word. From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth; Her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

#### Out of the Depths I Cry

#256:1,2,3 (PH)

Out of the depths I cry to you on high; Lord, hear my call. Bend down your ear and listen to my sigh, forgiving all. If you should mark our sins, who then could stand? But grace and mercy dwell at your right hand.

I wait for God, I trust his holy word; he hears my sighs. My soul still waits and looks unto the Lord; my prayers arise. I look for him to drive away my night, Yes, more than those who watch for morning light.

Hope in the Lord: unfailing is his love; in him confide. Mercy and full redemption from above He does provide. From sin and evil, mighty through they seem, His arm almighty will his saints redeem.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

**Apostles' Creed** 

pg. 813 (PH)

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

And in Jesus Christ,

his only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
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 to heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;

from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe a holy catholic church,

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm 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.

Refrain: My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me, And like a flood His mercy rains, Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures. *Refrain* 

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, The sun forbear to shine. But God, who called me here below, Will be forever mine. Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

(Children 3 years old – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to Children's Church in the Ed. Building during this song.)

#### **Offertory Prayer**

Offertory Ministry of Music: In Christ Alone

Offering: Steve & Sandy

#### **Morning Prayer**

\* **Scripture:** Matthew 13:31-33 (ESV) pg. 1022

31 He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. 32 It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

33 He told them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Message: Reformation and the Butterfly Effect

#### **Prayer**

<sup>\*</sup> indicates to stand if able

#### \* Holy God, We Praise Your Name

#504:1,3,4 (PH)

## Reformation and the Butterfly Effect

Matthew 13:31-33

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you. Saints on earth your rule acclaim; All in heaven above adore you. Infinite your vast domain; Everlasting is your reign.

Lo, the apostolic train Joins your sacred name to hallow; Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow: And from morn to set of sun, Through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you, Though in essence only one; Undivided God, we claim you, And, adoring bend the knee While we own the mystery.

## \* God's Blessing

## \* Go, My Children, With My Blessing

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own. In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, my children, with my blessing – you are my own.

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# Sola Fide

Through Faith Alone

# Solus Christus

In Christ Alone

# Sola Scriptura

According to Scripture Alone

# Soli Deo Gloria

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