

**Lord's Day Worship  
October 29, 2023**

\*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

Welcome, Announcements Karen Hintz  
Silent Prayer

PRAISE

\*Invocation --- Jeremiah 10:24; Psalm 6:1  
Pastor Douglas: O Lord, correct me, but with judgment;  
not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.

\*Song *A Mighty Fortress  
is Our God*

\*Prayer of Confession Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556)

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed to much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we done those things which we ought to not have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.**

Silent Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon Pastor Douglas

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

\*Catechism New City Catechism #30

Q: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

**Congregation: Receiving and resting on him alone for salvation as he is offered to us in the gospel.**

RENEWAL

Pastoral Prayer and 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.**

\*Offering *Doxology*

THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Reading Matthew 7:1-6

Sermon Text Romans 14:1-12

Sermon "The Strong and The Weak"

\*Song *In Christ Alone*

Unison Congregational Prayer  
A Prayer of John Chrysostom (347-407)

**Almighty God, who has given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications until thee and does promise that whenever two or three are gathered together in thy name, that you will grant their requests: fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of your servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in the world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.**

\* Benediction Pastor Douglas

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

SERMON NOTES

**"The Strong and The Weak"**

**Romans 14:1-12**

**I) Introduction** - Jewish Food Laws in the 1st Century

A) Jewish and Gentile Relations

B) Acts 15:19-21

C) Peter's Backsliding in Galatians 2:12

**II) The Text** - Romans 14:1-12

A) Who are the weak? Those who only eat vegetables (14:2) and cling to Jewish Holidays (14:5)

B) Who are the strong? Those who eat everything (14:2) and all days are the same (14:5)

C) Paul's Pastoral Exhortation: live in unity and DO NOT judge one another (14:10-12)!

**III) Our Response?**

A) Christian liberty and adiaphora (indifference) to social practices such as Halloween and drinking.

B) Christian liberty and adiaphora (indifference) to elevating certain interpretations as dogmatic.

C) Christian's are not to judge each other (Matthew 7:3-4) and be charitable to all within the body of Christ.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** You are joyfully invited to a study of the lives of the women of Christmas, from the book by Liz Curtis Higgs, **Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.** at the **Ministry Center**.

We will read and discuss one chapter per week, with time off for Thanksgiving, and luncheons, completing our study the second week of December. Books are \$10 and are available at our information table. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Rice or Julie Smith.

There are HostTeam volunteers that are needed for the months of November, and December. Please contact Dottie at \_\_\_\_\_ for more information.

**CPC Meeting:** A short CPC Annual Corporation meeting will be held immediately following the worship service today.

**NEW MEMBERS CLASS:** There will be a class for those interested in becoming a member of the church beginning **November 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**Stewardship Sunday:** Stewardship Sunday is **November 5<sup>th</sup>**. Be on the lookout for your pledge card in the mail as they will be collected during worship.

**CPW:** The next CPW meeting will be **November 18<sup>th</sup>** at the **Ministry Center**. A sign-up sheet will be available on the information table.

**Operation Christmas Child:** We are in our second week of Operation Christmas Child National Collection week. Hopefully you have had or will have an opportunity to stop at our display table, pick up any literature that might be of interest and take home a Christmas Child shoebox, or boxes as you many desire. We will have boxes available through **Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**, and we will collect all donated shoeboxes on **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**. This is Christmas in October for us to participate in providing a Christmas to needy children around the world.

## LOCATIONS of UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES:

November 5: *Courtyard Marriott*

November 12: *Kleiner Center*

November 19: *Kleiner Center*

November 26: *Courtyard Marriott*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **HEALING AND COMFORT:**

**EPC PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST:** Pray this week for Community Presbyterian Church of Omak, in Omak, WA and their Intern Pastor Rev. Dave Lamb.

**MISSIONS:** Please pray for the mission and work of Steve and Alison in Africa.

*If you are visiting with us this week, please feel free to have your children, join our children's program, and visit with Pastor Douglas or email/call the church office if you have any questions.*

## Reformation Sunday

October 29, 2023 | Rev. Douglas Kortyna  
Romans 14:1-12



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