



October 25, 2020  
21st Sunday after Pentecost  
Reformation Sunday

First Presbyterian Church of Lynn Haven

*My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest. ~ God*

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**Prelude** *Processional for Organ*  
*Highland Cathedral*

Martin Shaw  
Kathy McCurdy, piper

**Call to Worship** (Psalm 65)

Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by God's goodness and signs of mercy.

***God makes the gateways of morning and evening sing and shout for joy!***

God crowns the year with bounty, with overflowing riches of grace and goodness.

***All creation shouts and sings together, for God is great, and greatly to be praised!***

**Hymn** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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**Opening Prayer** (*pray together*)

***We praise you, O God, for your kingdom which is forever, and for saints who led the way so that we may worship you freely. As we celebrate their memory, enable us by your Spirit to lead the way for others. In Christ's name, Amen.***

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession** (Adapted from the Reformed Church of Zurich, 1525)

***Merciful God, we confess before your divine majesty that we are poor sinners, ever failing short of goodness. We have transgressed your commandments, and are worthy of your anger. But, O Lord, we repent and are sorry that we have displeased you. Be pleased, therefore, to have mercy upon us. Forgive us our sins, through the holy sufferings of Jesus Christ, and grant us the gifts of your Holy Spirit, that we may bring forth the fruits of righteousness and a pure life that are pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ. Amen.***

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

God's mercies are new every morning. Let us be awake and alert to forgiveness in Jesus Christ!

***Thanks be to God! Amen!***

**Old Testament Reading** Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, <sup>2</sup> all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, <sup>3</sup> the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. <sup>4</sup> The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” <sup>5</sup> Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. <sup>6</sup> He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. <sup>7</sup> Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. <sup>8</sup> The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

<sup>9</sup> Joshua son of Nun was full of spirit and wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

<sup>10</sup> Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. <sup>11</sup> He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, <sup>12</sup> and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

**The Message** Endings and Beginnings

**Prayer for Our Heritage & 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.*

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

Kathy McCurdy, piper

**Hymn** *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

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**Benediction**

**Postlude** *Lead On, O King Eternal*

Henry Smart, arr. John Turner

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On this Reformation Sunday, we express great thanks to Kathy McCurdy for piping our service today!

The Psalm was read by Ruling Elder Elsbeth Jackson, former clerk of session of St. Giles and St. Columba’s South Church of Scotland congregations, where Pastor Lisa served during sabbatical 10 years ago. Elsbeth resides in Lossiemouth, Scotland.