

United Reformation Service

COMMEMORATING
THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION
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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Preston, Ontario

Sunday, October 29th, 1944

AT 7 O'CLOCK, P.M.

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF

ST. PETER'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH	-	PRESTON
ST. JAMES' EV LUTHERAN CHURCH	-	HESPELER
ST. PAUL'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH	-	GALT

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude—"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring".....Bach
Mr. E. G. Ross, R.F.M.

Processional Hymn:

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| 1. Gracious Spirit, Dove divine!
Let Thy Light within me shine;
All my guilty fears remove,
Fill me with Thy heavenly love! | 3. Life and peace to me impart;
Seal salvation on my heart;
Breathe Thyself into my breast
Earnest of immortal rest. |
| 2. Speak Thy pardoning grace to me,
Set the burdened sinner free;
Lead me to the Lamb of God,
Wash me in His precious Blood. | 4. Let me never from Thee stray,
Keep me in the narrow way;
Fill my soul with joy divine,
Keep me, Lord, for ever Thine. |
| | —Amen. |

O Lord, open Thou my lips.
R.—And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.
Make haste, O God, to deliver me.
R.—Make haste to help me, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
R.—As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
—Amen. Hallelujah.

Psalm 46:

God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble.
Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed: and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.
Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled: though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.
There is a river the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God: The holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved: God shall help her and that right early.
The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: He uttered His voice, the earth melted.
The Lord of hosts is with us: The God of Jacob is our Refuge.
Come, behold the works of the Lord: What desolations He hath made in the earth.
He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth: He breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder, He burneth the chariot in the fire.
Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.
The Lord of hosts is with us: The God of Jacob is our Refuge.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Violin Selection:—Largo.....Handel
LaVerne Marshall, A.L.C.M., Galt

Scripture Lessons.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.
R.—Thanks be to God.

Anthem—"The Heavens are Telling".....Hayden
The Combined Choirs

Hymn:

1. A Mighty Fortress is our God;
A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from every need
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old bitter foe—
Means us deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight,
On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be
done,
Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One
Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this?
Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord,
And there's none other God,
He holds the field forever.
3. Though devils all the world should
fill,
All watching to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill,
They cannot overpower us.
This world's prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none,
He's judged, the deed is done,
One little word o'erthrows him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain
And not a thank have for it,
He's by our side upon the plain
With His good gifts and spirit;
Take they then our life,
Goods, fame, child and wife:
When their worst is done,
They yet have nothing won,
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

— Amen.

Sermon:— The Rev. Dr. H. T. Lehman, newly appointed
President Waterloo College and Seminary

Verse—"The Reformation".....Miss Clara Bernhardt

Anthem—"Gloria in Excelsis".....The Combined Choirs

Offering. For our Seminary at Waterloo.

Violin Selection—"The Lost Chord".....Sullivan
LaVerne Marshall, A.L.C.M., Galt

Hymn—Tune "Hamburg".....Specially Arranged
The Combined Choirs

1. 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.
2. Elect from ev'ry 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 ev'ry grace endued.
3. Though, with a scornful wonder,
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed;
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.
4. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till, with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

— Amen.

Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as incense.

R.—And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy Word.
For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before
the face of all people.

A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in
the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

R.—Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have
mercy upon us.

The Prayer:

The Lord be with you.

R.—And with Thy spirit.

The Lord will give strength unto His people.

R.—The Lord will bless His people with peace.

Collect for Peace:

O God, from Whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do
proceed: Give unto Thy servants that peace, which the world cannot give; that
our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we,
being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and
quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Who liveth and
reigneth with Thee, and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Bless we the Lord.

R.—Thanks be to God.

Benediction:

National Anthem.

Silent Prayer.

Recessional Hymn:

1. Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy Word;
Curb those who fain, by craft or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Thy Son,
And set at naught all He hath done.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Thy power make known,
For Thou art Lord of lords alone;
Defend Thy Christendom, that we
May evermore sing praise to Thee.

3. O Comforter, of priceless worth
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife,
And lead us out of death to life. Amen.

Postlude —“Song of Joy”.....Hayden
Mr. E. G. Ross, R.F.M.

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AND EXPECTS YOUR LOYALTY AND SERVICE**