

**HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME**

The text to this hymn is based on the anonymous fourth-century Latin hymn "Te Deum Laudamus," which in modern English prose reads:

*We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord; all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.*

*To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*The glorious company of apostles praise you.*

*The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.*

*The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.*

*Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you:*

*Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all praise, the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.*

*You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.*

*When you took our flesh to set us free you humbly chose the virgin's womb. You overcame the sting of death, and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come to be our judge.*

*Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.*

Amen.

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Musical notation for the first system of the hymn. Lyrics: 1. Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we 2. Hark, the glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a - 3. Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it:

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn. Lyrics: bow be - fore Thee; All on earth Thy scep - ter claim; bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim Three we name Thee While in es - sence on - ly one;

Musical notation for the third system of the hymn. Lyrics: All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing; Fill the heav'ns with Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee, And a - dor - ing,

Musical notation for the fourth system of the hymn. Lyrics: vast do - main; Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign. sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. bend the knee While we sing our praise to Thee.

**SCRIPTURE PROCLAMATION**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEDITATION**

GIVING THANKS FOR OUR GREAT SALVATION

*As our ECBC Handbells lead us in a time of reflection on the attributes of God (Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise,) let us use this time to quietly reflect on and give thanks to the Lord for our great salvation.*

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

THE GOSPEL SONG

Holy God, in love, became Perfect man to bear my blame  
On the cross He took my sin By his death I live again

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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**CONGREGATIONAL GREETINGS**

**STORIES VIDEO**

**THE MORNING SERMON**

CONRAD "BUSTER" BROWN, SENIOR PASTOR

**REFORMATION 500**

2017 marks the 500 year anniversary of Martin Luther nailing his 95 Theses to the door of a church building in Wittenberg, Germany. While not seeking to separate from the Roman Catholic church, he called for substantive and specific changes in her practices and theology.

Luther was joined by many other Reformers whose teachings were eventually summarized in what we call the Five Solas, "sola" being a Latin word meaning "alone" or "only."

- Sola Scriptura: *Scripture alone*
- Solus Christus: *Christ alone*
- Sola Fide: *faith alone*
- Sola Gratia: *grace alone*
- Soli Deo Gloria: *glory to God alone*

These phrases carry such weight because they keep us from our sinful tendency to base our justification before God on something other than what God has done for us in Christ and revealed to us in his Word.

**The Five Solas**

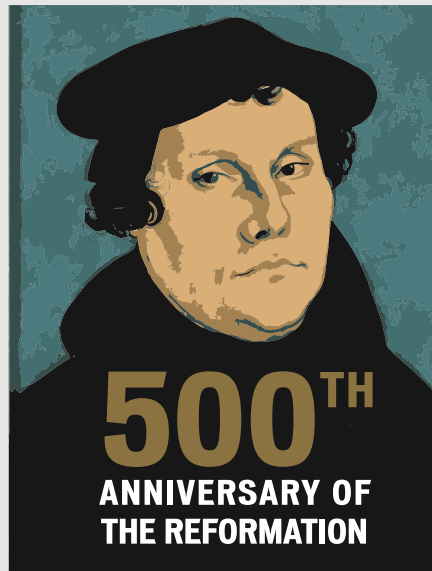
Our final authority is **Scripture alone**, not amended or added to by tradition, opinion, or church councils.

The basis of our forgiveness before God is **Christ alone**, not saints, Mary, angels, or any other being. In his substitutionary sacrifice on the cross Jesus completely bore God's righteous wrath against us. His payment was full, final, and effective.

Our justification before God is by **faith alone**. God declares us righteous in his eyes not because he sees righteousness in us but because we fully rest and trust in the work of Christ on the cross to pay for our sins and because we receive his perfect righteousness as a gift.

We are justified by **grace alone**, through God's kind, gracious, and free initiative. He gives us what we don't deserve and could never earn: forgiveness, transformation into Christ's image, and adoption into his family.

All of this is accomplished for **God's glory alone**. For eternity, praises will redound to the God whose wisdom, power, and love ordained that he would have a people from every tribe, language, and nation to share in his Triune joy forever.



**CHURCH-WIDE COMBINED WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

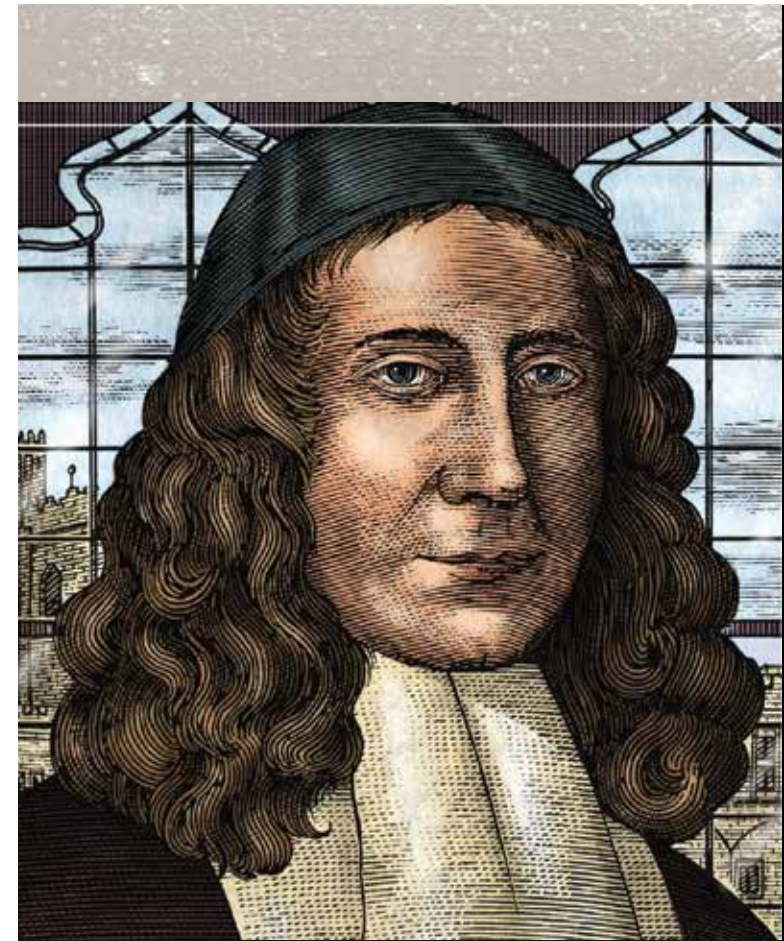
Reformation Sunday  
October 29 • 6 pm

A worship time centering around the 5 Solas of the reformation led by our ECBC Choir, Orchestra and Worship Band



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THE CROSS.**

REFORMATION  
2017 It's Still All About  
**Jesus**



**WORSHIPGUIDE**

Please use the following prayer to prepare your hearts for worship:

**IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE;** Your love for us is powerful beyond measure.

Your love is so vast that nothing will prevail against it.

We know this love is trustworthy because of Jesus Christ: his life of compassion, death on the cross, and resurrection from the dead.

In life and death we belong to you, and we worship you, holy triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the beginnings of the Protestant Reformation as Martin Luther nailed a list of grievances against the Catholic Church onto the door of a chapel in Wittenberg, Germany in October, 1517.

Our services in October will center around the themes the Reformation brought to the forefront of the church that mark who we are and how we worship.

## REFLECTION THOUGHTS FOR WORSHIP PREPARATION

When ministry becomes performance, then the sanctuary becomes a theater, the congregation becomes an audience, worship becomes entertainment, and man's applause and approval become the measure of success.

But when ministry is for the glory of God, his presence moves into the sanctuary.

Even the unsaved visitor will fall down on his face, worship God, and confess that God, the thrice-Holy God, is among us.

— Richard Moore

... there may be times when our religious affections are stirred to extraordinary passionate worship.

Mary of Bethany's anointing of Jesus was a one-time worship event. Indeed, it was never repeated because his death followed so closely. Jesus said of Mary's worship, "She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial" (Mark 14:8) Mary's heart erupted in a fervent expression of devotion as passionate as found anywhere in Scriptures.

Snap went the bottleneck! Out poured a fortune of perfume! And down came her hair as she used it humbly, worshipfully, to wipe her Savior's feet (cf. John 12:3).

It was a spontaneous outpouring of her love, and so very extravagant — scandalously so in the eyes of Jesus' disciples (vv. 4,5). . . .

We must leave room in our lives for such humbling extravagance if God so inclines our hearts.

— R. Kent Hughes

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

— Revelation 4:8

### 'ROUND THE THRONE IN RADIANT GLORY

This is another hymn from the wonderful "Hymns for a Modern Reformation" collection published by Tenth Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, featuring poetry by James Boice and music by Paul Jones.

The five verses in this hymn are based upon the praises of Father and Son recorded in Revelation 4 and 5.

The tune name, QADOSH, represents a Hebrew word meaning "holy," for with this hymn we follow the lead of those heavenly worshipers by ascribing holiness and worthiness to our God and to his Christ.

*"It is a throne of grace that God in Christ is represented to us upon; but yet it is a throne still whereon majesty and glory do reside, and God is always to be considered by us as on a throne."*

—John Owen

## PRELUDE

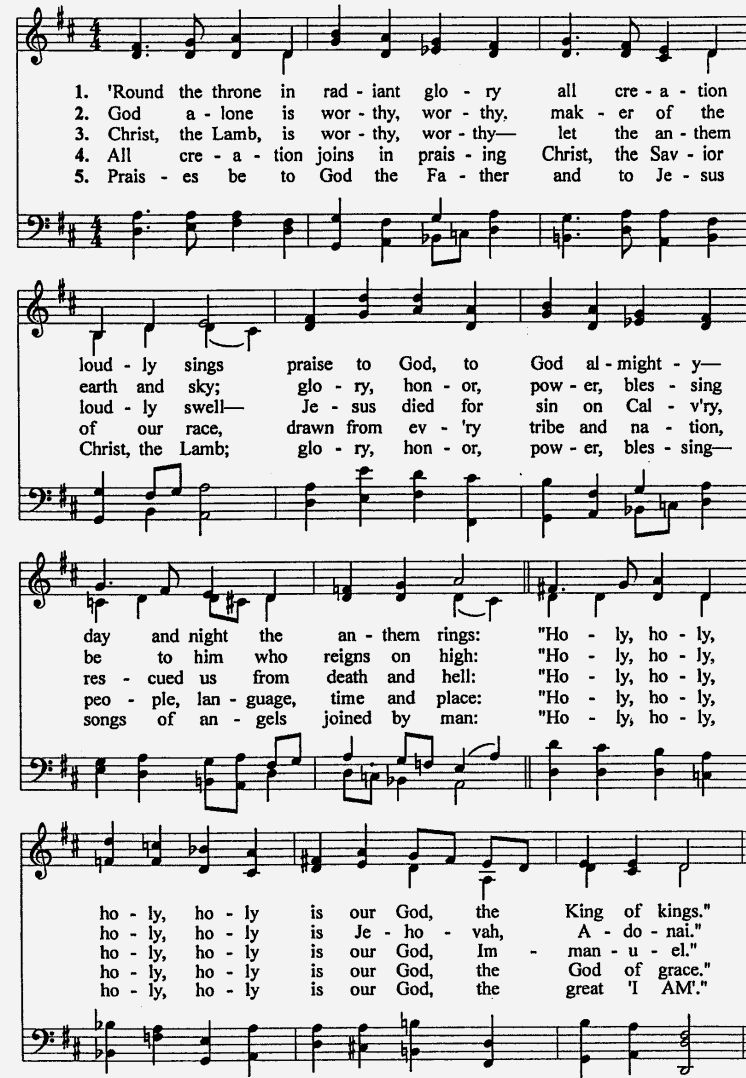
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## CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAISE WE SING TO THEE • ECBC CHOIR

*Praise we sing to thee, thou mighty ruler, King forever.  
Praise we sing to thee, Lord, we will fail thee never.  
All the joys of nature tell us ever of thy wondrous power,  
Still thy tender grace and mercy keep us every hour.  
Praise we sing to thee, most holy, praise forevermore.  
Grateful hymns of thanks we raise for all the gifts thou dost ordain;  
Lord of hosts over heaven doth reign.  
Praise we sing to thee, most holy, praise forevermore.*

## 'ROUND THE THRONE IN RADANT GLORY QADOSH



1. 'Round the throne in rad-iant glo-ry all cre-a-tion  
2. God a-lone is wor-thy, wor-thy, mak-er of the  
3. Christ, the Lamb, is wor-thy, wor-thy—let the an-them  
4. All cre-a-tion joins in prais-ing Christ, the Sav-ior  
5. Prais-es be to God the Fa-ther and to Je-sus

loud-ly sings praise to God, to God al-might-y—  
earth and sky; glo-ry, hon-or, pow-er, bles-sing  
loud-ly swell— Je-sus died for sin on Cal-v'ry,  
of our race, drawn from ev-'ry tribe and na-tion,  
Christ, the Lamb; glo-ry, hon-or, pow-er, bles-sing—

day and night the an-them rings: "Ho-ly, ho-ly,  
be to him who reigns on high: "Ho-ly, ho-ly,  
res-cued us from death and hell: "Ho-ly, ho-ly,  
peo-ple, lan-guage, time and place: "Ho-ly, ho-ly,  
songs of an-gels joined by man: "Ho-ly, ho-ly,

ho-ly, ho-ly is our God, the King of kings."  
ho-ly, ho-ly is Je-ho-vah, A-do-nai."  
ho-ly, ho-ly is our God, Im-man-u-el."  
ho-ly, ho-ly is our God, the God of grace."  
ho-ly, ho-ly is our God, the great "I AM!"

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY HOLY, HOLY, HOLY NICEA

Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under his wings. Day and night they never stop saying:

*"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come."*

Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne, and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

*"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."*

Revelation 4:8-11



1. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly! Lord God Al-might-y!  
2. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly! all the saints a-dore Thee,  
3. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly! tho' the dark-ness hide Thee,  
4. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly! Lord God Al-might-y!

Ear-ly in the morn-ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
Cast-ing down their gold-en crowns a-round the glass-y sea;  
Tho' the eye of sin-ful man Thy glo-ry may not see;  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, mer-ci-ful and might-y!  
Cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim fall-ing down be-fore Thee,  
On-ly Thou art ho-ly; there is none he-side Thee,  
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly; mer-ci-ful and might-y!

God in three Per-sons, bless-ed Trin-i-ty!  
Who wert, and art, and ev-cr-more shalt be.  
Per-fect in pow'r, in love, and pu-ri-ty,  
God in three Per-sons, bless-ed Trin-i-ty!

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE HOLINESS OF GOD

LEADER: *We acknowledge together this morning that:*

CONGREGATION: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, whom you sent to save us. He came with healing in his touch and was wounded for our sins. He came with mercy in his voice and was mocked as one despised. He came on a mission of peace and met with violence and death. By your power he broke free from the prison of the tomb. The one who was dead now lives. The one who humbled himself is raised to rule over all creation, the Lamb upon the throne. The one ascended on high is with us always, as he promised. Therefore we thank you for our great salvation and we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation, singing: