

OCTOBER 26, 2025
REFORMATION SUNDAY



Almighty God is our strength.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 8:31-36	Jesus sets us free
Monday	Jeremiah 31:31-34	A new covenant
Tuesday	Romans 3:19-28	Righteousness through faith
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 3:4-18	Ministers of the new covenant
Thursday	Romans 6:5-14	Dying and rising with Christ
Friday	Galatians 2:15-21	Saved by faith
Saturday	Psalms 46	God is our strength
Sunday	Luke 6:20-31	Blessed are you who weep

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:10 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, thank you for being our security and strength; renew us with faith in Christ so that we may rest in peace and serve all people in love. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, you are our fortress, we thank you for this meal and for being our shelter and strength through faith in Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May Almighty God be your strength.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

*A Mighty Fortress Is
Our God*



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When is a time you or someone you know felt that life was in turmoil?
- How does a relationship with God strengthen us?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Psalm 46.

During the Reformation, Luther used this psalm for his famous hymn *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*. The Psalm and that hymn remind us that when church, society, and our lives are in turmoil, God is still our security and strength. Our lives are more fragile than we would often like to admit. A structurally sound home is flattened by a storm. A loved one dies suddenly. A pandemic turns our world upside down. One nation invades another nation and shatters global security. These are the kinds of issues at the heart of Psalm 46. When stability is gone, God is still present and working for good. When we feel anxiety during the storms of life, we can be assured as we hear, *"Be still and know that I am God"* (v. 10a). In the end, God alone stands triumphant and glorious. We live confident that we are secure in God's almighty presence through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Discuss: What challenges in your life help you find comfort through Psalm 46?

Pray: **Almighty and merciful God, while storms and strife surround us, give us peace and confidence in your power and glory through Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you reach out to someone who feels their life is in turmoil?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Martin Luther wrote the Small Catechism for the head of the household to teach to the members of the household. There is a daily morning and evening blessing that includes making the physical sign of the cross. As a reminder of the Reformation, add this ritual to your mornings and evenings. As you make the sign of the cross on your chest or forehead, say: **God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit watch over me. Amen.** (Luther's Small Catechism)



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