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November 12, 2017

9:30 am

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Please feel free to sit or stand as  
we worship through song.

*Rejoice The Lord Is King*

*Never Gonna Let Me Go*

**Confession and Assurance of Pardon**

*Death Was Arrested*

**Time For Young Disciples**

*Children 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade may go to their classes*

**Recognition of Veterans**

**Offering - Praise To The Lord - arr. Wilberg**  
MVPC Choir

*Please sign and pass the registration pad down your pew*

**Scripture Reading - 2 Corinthians 9:6-11**

**Message: "Stewardship"**

Pastor Rob Perkins

*All For Jesus*

**Opportunities to Give, Gather, & Go**

**Blessing**

**Postlude - March - Lefébure-Wély**

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## The Giving Tree

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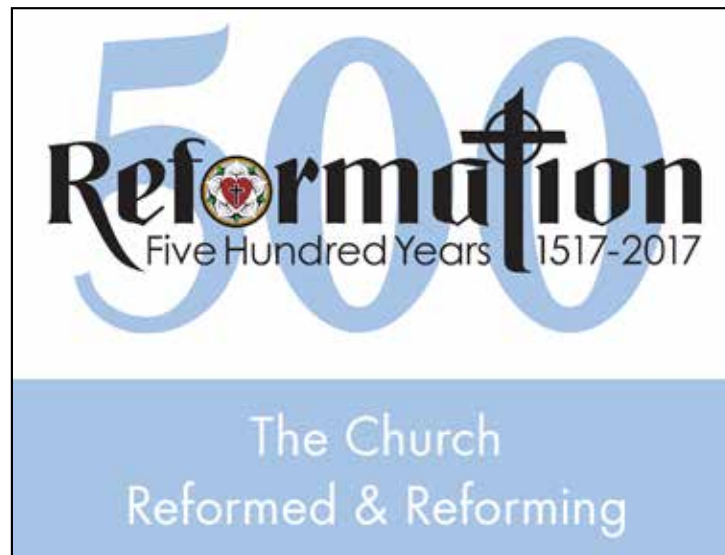
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### GATHER to WORSHIP

Come as you are. Make yourself at home.  
Get ready to meet God.

### COMMUNITY LIFE

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how you can belong

### THE WORD

"Stewardship" - 2 Corinthians 9:6-11  
Pastor Rob Perkins

### OUR RESPONSE

#### COMMUNION

All who confess Jesus as Lord and Savior may participate  
Please come to one of the stations whenever you are ready  
Gluten-free bread is offered at the rear station

#### OFFERING

Please bring your gifts to the Lord to one of the  
Offering Boxes at the front or rear

#### PRAYER

A member of our Prayer Team will be in the back  
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### FELLOWSHIP

Join us for dinner on the patio!

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