
Kids in the DIVINE SERVICE



What does the word "Amen" mean?

You probably recognize this word from hearing or seeing it at the end of prayers. Maybe you use it in your prayers every morning when you wake up and every night when you go to sleep. Well, the word "Amen" is Hebrew for "certainly" or "truly." Martin Luther went so far as to say that "Amen" really means: "Yes, yes, it shall be so."

Why do we use it?

God commands us to pray. When we use the word "Amen" at the end of our prayers, we are letting God know that we truly believe that He will hear and answer all of our prayers just as He has promised! What a great way to end a prayer!

FOR PARENTS

Point out that Jesus often used the word "Amen" in Scripture when He said things like: "Truly, truly (literally, "Amen, amen") I say to you . . ." Encourage your children to be listening for and saying the word "Amen" at appropriate points in the service. In what places besides prayer do we hear "Amen" used?

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Parkland Ev. Lutheran Church THE FEAST OF THE REFORMATION *The Eternal Gospel*



October 26, 2025 | 9:30 AM – Matins (p. 109)

I. THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

**Indicates the congregation may stand.*

Prelude: Bell Choir:

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (ELH #49)
Arr. Lloyd Larson*

*** Processional Hymn**

#250 - A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
stanzas 1-3

THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

The Versicles and Exhortation p. 133

The Baptism of Hadley Ann Sharp

Baptismal Hymn

#241 - He That Believes and Is Baptized

***3. The Versicles p. 109 - 110**

♪ P: O Lord open my lips.

C: **And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**

♪ P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: **Make haste to help me, O God.**

♪ **All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
forevermore, Amen. Alleluia!**

***4. The Invitatory & The Venite Exultemus p. 110 - 111**

♪ P: O come, let us worship the Lord.

C: **For He us our Maker.**

♪ **All: O come, let us sing to the Lord...**

The Collect of the Day p.66

Let us pray: O Lord God, heavenly Father: Pour out, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people; keep them steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptation, defend them against all enemies of Your Word, and bestow upon



Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum (The Word of the Lord Endures Forever) is the motto of the Lutheran Reformation, a confident expression of the enduring power and authority of God's Word. The motto is based on 1 Peter 1:24-25. It first appeared in the court of Frederick the Wise in 1522. He had it sewn onto the right sleeve of the court's official clothing, which was worn by prince and servant alike. It was used by Frederick's successors, his brother John the Steadfast, and his nephew John Frederick the Magnanimous. It became the official motto of the Smalcaldic League and was used on flags, banners, swords, and uniforms as a symbol of the unity of the Lutheran laity who struggled to defend their beliefs, communities, families, and lives against those who were intent on destroying them. It was found inscribed inside churches, over doorways, on foundation stones, even on horse's helmets! The VDMA logo and statement has appeared throughout Lutheran churches worldwide and remains an enduring motto of the Reformation to this day. (From <https://lutheranreformation.org/history/the-motto-of-the-reformation/> on 9.15.17. © 2015-2017 The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. All rights reserved.)

Christ's Church militant Your saving peace; through the same, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

7. The Lection: 2 Chronicles 29:12-19

Then the Levites arose, Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites; and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehallelel; and of the Gershonites, Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah; and of the sons of Elizaphan, Shimri and Jeuel; and of the sons of Asaph, Zechariah and Mattaniah; and of the sons of Heman, Jehuel and Shimei; and of the sons of Jeduthun, Shemaiah and Uzziel.

They gathered their brothers and consecrated themselves and went in as the king had commanded, by the words of the LORD, to cleanse the house of the LORD. The priests went into the inner part of the house of the LORD to cleanse it, and they brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of the LORD into the court of the house of the LORD. And the Levites took it and carried it out to the brook Kidron. They began to consecrate on the first day of the first month, and on the eighth day of the month they came to the vestibule of the LORD. Then for eight days they consecrated the house of the LORD, and on the sixteenth day of the first month they finished.

Then they went in to Hezekiah the king and said, "We have cleansed all the house of the LORD, the altar of burnt offering and all its utensils, and the table for the showbread and all its utensils. All the utensils that King Ahaz discarded in his reign when he was faithless, we have made ready and consecrated, and behold, they are before the altar of the LORD."^(ESV)

♪ P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

♪ C: Thanks be to God.

6. Gradual



**All: Great is the Lord, and great'ly to be praised/
In the city of our God, in His `holy mountain.**

Walk about Zion, and go all around her.

**Count her towers, mark `well her bulwarks/
That you may tell it to the genera`tion following.**

**For this is our God, our God fore`ver and ever;/
He will be our Guide, `even to death.**

**Alleluia! I will speak Your testimonies also `before kings,
And will not be put to shame. `Alleluia!**

7. The Epistle: Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come, and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water." (ESV)

♪ P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

♪ C: Thanks be to God.

PLS School Choir: (1st & 2nd Grades)

#226 - By Grace I'm Saved
stanzas 1,4

***7. The Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 11:12-15**

[Jesus said:] "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come.

"He who has ears to hear, let him hear." (ESV)

♪ P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

♪ C: Thanks be to God.

8. The Chief Hymn:

#551 - Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain

9. The Sermon: St. Matthew 11:12-15

Rev. Matthew Lehne

We Confess Christ Crucified

***8. The Chief Hymn:**

#250 - A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
stanza 4

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to shine through our vocations.