



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

*We invite, encourage, educate and empower
all people to follow God and serve others.”*

6th Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING HYMN

Gather Us In
Refrain

Camp Song

**Gather us in. Gather us in.
God only knows where we have been.
Gather us in. Gather us in.**

**We have come for mercy. We have come for peace.
We have come with heavy hearts looking of release. *Refrain***

God is God of mercy. God is God of peace.

God has felt our heavy hearts. God has set them free. *Refrain*

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CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose
mercy endures forever. **Amen.***

*Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and
from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the*

inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN

Jesus Loves Me Alleluia

Camp Song

**Jesus Loves me this I know, For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to Him belong They are weak but he is strong**

Chorus:

**Alleluia, allelu. Alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, allelu. Alleluia, allelu, alleluia**

**Jesus Loves me He who died Heaven's gates are open wide
He will take away my sin, And let this little child come in.**

Chorus

**Amazing Grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but no I'm found
Once was blind but now I see**

Chorus

**Do you love Him does He know, Have you ever told Him so,
Jesus loves to hear us say, That we love Him everyday.
Alleluia.**

**So help me run the race before me,
Strong and brave to face my foe,
Looking only unto Jesus, As each day onward I go.**
Chorus

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bountiful God,

you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.

May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING**John 14:23-29** (The Msg)

“Because a loveless world,” said Jesus, “is a sightless world. If anyone loves me, he will carefully keep my word and my Father will love him—we’ll move right into the neighborhood! Not loving me means not keeping my words. The message you are hearing isn’t mine. It’s the message of the Father who sent me.

“I’m telling you these things while I’m still living with you. The Friend, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send at my request, will make everything plain to you. He will remind you of all the things I have told you. I’m leaving you well and whole. That’s my parting gift to you. Peace. I don’t leave you the way you’re used to being left—feeling abandoned, bereft. So don’t be upset. Don’t be distraught.

“You’ve heard me tell you, ‘I’m going away, and I’m coming back.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I’m on my way to the Father because the Father is the goal and purpose of my life.

“I’ve told you this ahead of time, before it happens, so that when it does happen, the confirmation will deepen your belief in me.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON*“Peace Be With You”***HYMN***When Peace Like a River*

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**When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

Refrain

**It is well (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

**Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain***

He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

RITE OF AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM *(see insert)*

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.

Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

LIGHTING OF CONFIRMATION CANDLE

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #631

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!

Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,

pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit; let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee!

Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*Go from here to love and serve the Lord, confident in the peace that
Christ offers to each one of us.*

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God.

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**CONGRATULATIONS
CONFIRMANDS!**

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY



**Those who are grieving losses of any sort.

**Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Dar Schroeder; Maysyn Sorenson; Patty Baker (Friend of Linda Morrison); David (Friend of Wyone); Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Sara (Cousin of Toni Ramsey); Matt (Cousin of Jake Borden); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine)

**Those with on-going concerns, including Iris Brimer; Helen Murphy (Sister of Mikkey Twitero); Roger Spitzer (friend of Dar and Gwen Schroeder); Clay Wahlberg; Peg Tesch; Kimberly Heuer; Lynzee Makowski (Niece of Rebecca Kaiser); Esther Downen; Jason Boll (Son of Linda Boll); Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Shelly (Friend of Carla Oerter); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik

**For those celebrating new family members, including Ron Wagner and his newborn granddaughter, Avery June Wagner, born on May 15th

**Prayer of thanks for the recent rain

**For our military members and their families

**For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety

** For the people of Ukraine and Russia

**For our leaders at every level

**For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far



Sunday, May 22nd

Confirmation Sunday

9:30am Worship in building and live online (Facebook and YouTube)

10:30am Choir Practice

No HS Youth Group

Sunday, May 29th

9:30am Worship in building and live online (Facebook and YouTube)

No Potluck

Central High School Graduation

No HS Youth Group



REMINDER: Potluck will not be the last Sunday of the month for May. Instead, Potluck will be on Sunday, June 5th! Bring your favorite dish and enjoy fellowship after worship!

Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School

June 13th-17th

8:30am-11:30am

For all children ages 3 thru 6th grade

Ask Pastor Deb or Josie for a registration form. We are in need of many hands to help us make this a fun success. If you would be willing to help, please let us know. We have something for everyone!



We are passionate about giving every child the opportunity to attend a LOSD Bible camp at least once in their life. We do not want cost to be the reason a child does not go. This year 14 children from our community will be attending at least one week of camp!!!

Fundraisers are being held to help raise money, but with the cost of camp being around \$500 per camper per week, additional financial support will be needed. Would you like to help assure that every child who wants to go to camp is able to go? All Mission of the Month donations during the month of May will go toward camperships.

To support this mission, drop your donation in the offering plate, the Globe Offering, or the Mission Box in the fellowship hall. (Please write checks to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, and write "Mission" in the memo line). Thank you for your support!

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these children of God, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism. Confirmands, please rise and come forward.

Gloria: I present Jackson Neil Wiles, Rhett Stephen Lowe, Lanie Rae Weaver, Jaydin Danyul Borden and Cody Edward Dirkes who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these siblings in Christ, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith.

Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Congregation & Confirmands: We renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father, Jesus Christ, God's Son and God the Holy Spirit?

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen**

AFFIRMATION

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmand: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support Jackson, Rhett, Lanie, Jaydin, and Cody and pray for them in their life in Christ?

Congregation: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

BLESSING

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you have us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Jackson Neil Wiles, Rhett Stephen Lowe, Lanie Rae Weaver, Jaydin Danyul Borden and Cody Edward Dirkes the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his/her faith, guide his/her life, empower him/her in his/her serving, give him/her patience in suffering, and bring his/her to everlasting life. Amen.

Let us rejoice with this sibling in Christ.

**All: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.
Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**