

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Sunday, October 30, 2022



ST. ANDREW
LUTHERAN CHURCH

CONFIRMATION

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

PRELUDE “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” (arr. Anne Krentz Organ) **Tim Graf**

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

(Congregation stand as able)

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father, + Son and Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

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

(silence kept for reflection)

Holy God,

ALL: we confess that we have not lived our faith each and every day. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, in the things we have done and the things we have left undone. Create faith in us, so that we might live boldly your dream of wholeness for all people.

Pastor: In Christ Jesus, nothing can separate us from the love of God! Neither the mistakes we make, nor the good deeds we fail to do. By the power of the living God, the love of + Jesus Christ, and the mystery of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven and free to live our faith in all that we do.

ALL: Amen.

GREETING

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

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray,

God of grace and mercy, thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit who has called, sanctified, and enlightened each of these beloved children of God. Help them to shine the light that you have given them so that their gifts may be used in service to a world that needs to receive the love, hope and peace that come from you.

Strengthen all your children in faith so that our lives and our witness bear the mark of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

READING

John 8:31–36

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’”

Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

Pastor: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SONG “Lead Kindly Light” (Audrey Assad)

Elliana Meier, Tim Graf

SERMON “You Are Worthy”

Pastor Sarah Fike

PRESENTATION OF THE CLASS

Jim Smiley

PROFESSION OF FAITH (Congregation stand as able)

Pastor: 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?

All: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

All: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

All: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

(Please be seated. Confirmands remain standing)

AFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL PROMISE

Pastor: Confirmands, you have made a 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, and to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmation students respond: "I do, and ask God to help and guide me."

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support these women and men and pray for them in their life in Christ?

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

BLESSING *(Families are invited to join students for the individual blessing. Join the pastors around the altar as their names are called.)*

OFFERING

OFFERING OF MUSIC "The Faithful Love of Jesus" (Hillary Scott) Elliana Meier, Tim Graf

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE *(Congregation stand as able)*

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.

(Please be seated)

HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" *(Words projected)*

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen.

SENDING

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *“Thy Strong Word” (arr. Tim Graf)*

Tim Graf

2022 CONFIRMANDS

Aidan Altmann
Leah Anderson
Jackson Bakkum
Cameron Barnes
Noah Barnes
Hannah Bischoff
Katherine Bischoff
Ella Brazil
Emma Breyer
Emerson Carlston
Saunie Checco
Anna Christensen
Allie Dahl
Evonne Domyahn
Amelia Droen
Addison Dvoracek
Olivia Dyson
Carson Ehlers
Matthew Fandrey
Erica Forsyth
Carter Gilbert
Nicholas Graf
Leah Gschwendtner

Logan Gunnerud
Loghan Gustad
Luke Henry
Benjamin Hepper
William Holk
Hailey Holm
Colton Iverson
Dylan Johnson
Parker Johnson
Isaiah Jorgenson
Edward Junttila
George Junttila
Savannah Kohls
Logan LaVelle
Rylee Lorton
Milo Lovely
Alexander McKeever
Victor Missling
Aiden Murphy
Jonathan Murphy
Olivia Murphy
Camryn Olberding
Clara Olson

Cael Oppegaard
William Palmer
Brityn Paul
Madeleine Pieper
Cole Pitzl
Ruby Reding
Britta Rekstad
Lydia Renney
Avery Robinson
Nash Saterdalen
Addison Schneider
Kiera Schramm
Carson Stidger
Luke Stineman
Aiden Stoner
Cooper Strezo
Nolan Tangen
Lila VanGoethem
Lillian Werlinger
Kaelyn Willems
Anna Woods
Lillian Woods

THANK YOU TO OUR SMALL GROUP GUIDES

These people have dedicated countless hours, supporting the faith formation of these confirmation students. Thank you for your love of the gospel and for shepherding these young people through this time of spiritual education and renewal. Your efforts have helped to instill a love for God, a dynamic faith, and a life that will serve God's world. Please take a moment to thank the small group guides for their work.

Sarah Christensen
Lydia Gschwendtner
Christy Gunnerud
Sarah Hernandez
Tony James

Wendy Markman
Becky Perkins
Claudia Stein
Amy Strezo
Kayden Werlinger

OUR THANKS TO PARENTS!

Thank you for the commitment you made to your confirmation student. Your continued nurture and support of your child's faith life remains important now more than ever. The people of St. Andrew Lutheran Church are excited to walk with you in that journey.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Preacher:

Worship Assistants:

Worship & Music Director:

High School Coordinator:

Outdoor Ministry & Youth Leadership Director:

Pastor Sarah Fike

Pastor David Lillejord

Pastor Gail Bach

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Pastor Peter Johnson

Tim Graf

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