

## Rite of Confirmation

### Prayers of the Church

*L: Lord, in your mercy,*

**C: Please hear our prayer.**

### The Lord's Prayer

*L: Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.*

**C: 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.**

### Benediction

*L: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

### Hymn No. 660

**“Lift High the Cross”**

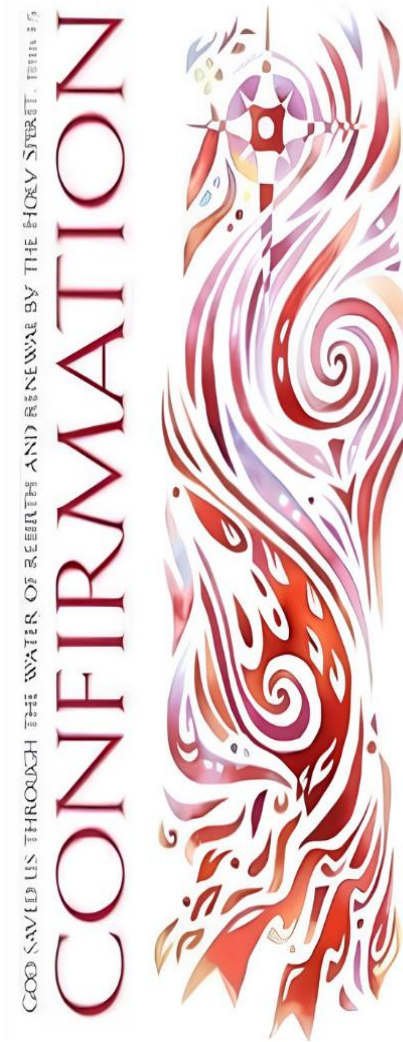
### Dismissal

*L: Alleluia! Christ is risen*

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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## **Affirmation of Baptism**

**April 26, 2026**

### Prelude

### Announcements and Welcome

**Processional No. 504 “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”**

### Recognition of Volunteers

### Confession and Forgiveness

*L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit*

**C: Amen.**

*L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are 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.*

**C: Amen.**

*L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Most merciful God,*

**C: 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.**

*L: 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.*

**C: Amen.**

### Hymn No. 805

**“Lead On, O King Eternal!”**

### Greeting

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

**C: And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

*L: O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

**First Reading**

**Acts 2:42-47 – Page 886**

**Second Reading**

**1 Peter 2:19-25 – Pages 984-985**

**Gospel**

*L: The Holy Gospel according to John.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*L: The Gospel of our Lord.*

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**John 10:1-10 – Page 872**

**Hymn No. 732**

**“Borning Cry”**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Joel Remmers**

**Hymn No. 821 (sing 3x)**

**“Shout to the Lord”**

**Offering**

**Organ Offertory**

**Affirmation of Baptism**

*L: These persons have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.*

Ava Sheryl Bonifas	Grace Karen Hohlen	Jackson Ryan Reimers
Olyvia Hermosa Sue Craddock	Peyton Glen Hohlen	Emma Mary Kathryn Rust
Lucy Mae Cerveny	Cole Mason Mlady	Dawson William Savage
Sophie Lynn Dack-Loudon	Beckman Richard Onken	Amelya Marie Schardt
Liam Paul Dooley	Mary Lucille Ortegren	Kinsley Riann Stuehrenberg
Carter Joseph Dean Hajny	Autumn Rae Peper	Thatcher Kade Walston
Drake William Hohlen	Jordyn Lynn Powell	Bryce Paul Willicott

*L: Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, 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 the Holy 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 for the sake of Jesus Christ.*

**C: Amen.**

**Profession of Faith**

*L: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize.*

*L: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?*

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

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

*L: Do you believe in God the Father?*

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

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

**C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.**

*L: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?*

**C: 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 in the Presence of the Assembly**

*L: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the promises God gave to 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 our Lord Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth? (I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.)*

*L: People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?*

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