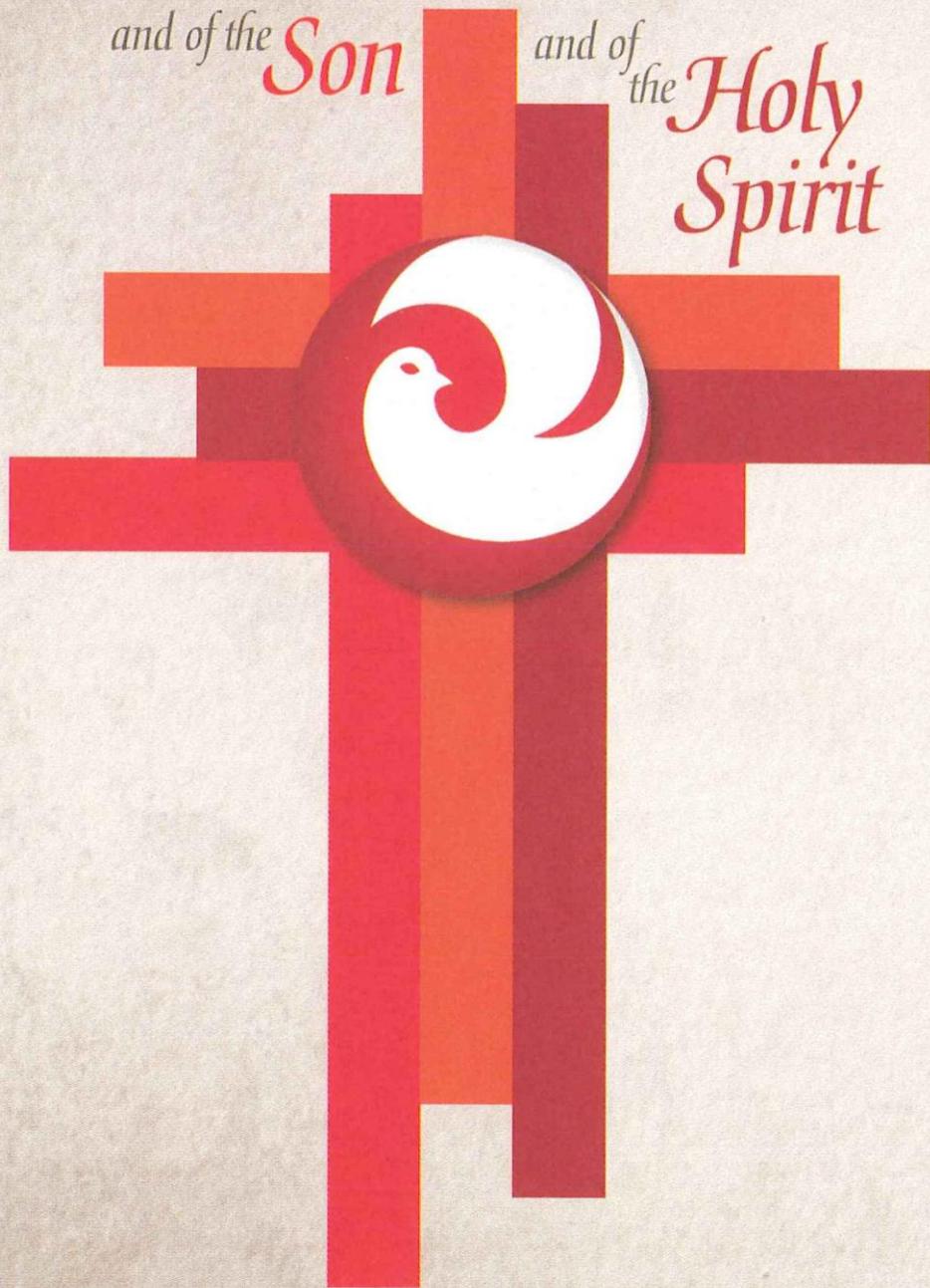


CONFIRMED

In the name of the *Father*

and of the *Son*

and of the *Holy Spirit*



St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

May 5, 2018

9:30am

CONFIRMATION

Today, each of our young confirmands stands before God and family to promise faithfulness to Him until his or her life's end. They know that death leaves no one to stand, that sinners deserve damnation, and that hell brings incomprehensible eternal torment. Even so, by God's grace and Spirit, our confirmands know the One from whom salvation comes, Jesus the Lord. He defeated for them the powers of sin, death, and hell – Alleluia! To them, washed and recreated in the waters of Baptism, He gives the victory. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We offer this prayer before worship:

Dear Lord Jesus, guard the faith of our confirmands. Increase their knowledge and understanding of Your love for them in Christ. Give them courage to confess what they believe by their words and actions. Turn them to You in their times of need for forgiveness and for strength to face every trial and temptation. Build up their faith through Your living Word and the Holy Supper this day and throughout their lives. Amen.

(With respect and reverence for our Lord, please refrain from taking pictures during worship.
An opportunity to take photographs will be available after the service.)



The Service of the Word

Processional Hymn 941 *We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God (1–2)*

Invocation

He is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

He is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Hymn 941 *We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God (stanza 3)*

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, through the power of Your Word and Spirit, You call to faith young and old, rescuing them from the darkness of death and hell. Guide the confirmands, increase their faith, trust, and joy in Jesus' name, and empower them to live in such a fashion so that their lives reflect Your sacrificial love for them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading — Acts 9:1–22

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something

like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized;¹⁹ and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus.²⁰ And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, “He is the Son of God.”²¹ And all who heard him were amazed and said, “Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?”²² But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading — Revelation 5:8–14

And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.⁹ And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.”

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,¹² saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

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Alleluia and Verse



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature (C) and contains the melody for the Alleluia. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the". The second staff continues the melody and lyrics: "words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The piece ends with a double bar line.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the twenty-first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together.

³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish.

¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn 490 *Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won (1, 3, 5)*

Sermon He's Alive!

Offering *Please complete the friendship register found on the end of each pew.*

Prayer of the Church

The Rite of Confirmation

Presentation of the Confirmands

These students: Abigail Ard, Mason Bohm, Isabella Delzer, Patiance Downs, Ayden Dunst, Kayla Klosterman, Reiley Kroening, Wesley Lemke, Braiden Mott, Thomas Rindt, Andrew Schauder, Karter Schroeder, Abigail Stoltenow, Gaven Vance, Trey VandenBrook, and Zackary Zuleger, have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public declaration of their faith and commitment to Christ and His Church. We present them to this congregation and to the Church in the name of Christ, whom they here confess, to be accepted as communicant members of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Address to the Confirmands

Affirmation of Baptismal Faith

The Blessing of the Confirmands

The Litany of Commitment

(Parents and Godparents stand.)

Parents and Godparents, give now your promise of continual encouragement to your children.

We, your parents and Godparents, know you are God's gift to us.

We have provided for you while giving our thanks to God for you.

We will continue to encourage you to always fear, love, and trust in Him.

(Remain standing.)

(Congregation stands.)

Members of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, you are the congregational family that is receiving these newly confirmed. Give them the assurance of your continued commitment to them.

We are your congregation, your brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. We welcome you as fellow servants and workers for the Lord. Together we gladly kneel before Him for His forgiveness and strength. We pledge to you our care and support.

The Service of the Sacrament

Note for those desiring to commune... Our practice of close communion is the Biblical and historic practice of the Christian church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for His people since it seeks to prevent spiritual damage to those who do not recognize the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine in this Holy Supper (1 Corinthians 11:29). Furthermore, it does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17) and the Bible's witness that the Lord's Supper is the highest expression of fellowship and doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42). For this reason, guests who are not a member of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "This is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns 618 465 575 461

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Recessional Hymn 803 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You*



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Confirmation Class — 2019

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Patience Mae Downs

Ayden Douglass Dunst

Kayla Mae Klosterman

Reiley James Kroening

Wesley Wayne Lemke

Braiden Robert Mott

Thomas Robert Rindt

Andrew Michael Schauder

Karter Allen Schroeder

Abigail Ann Stoltenow

Gaven Joseph Vance

Trey George Allen VandenBrook

Karlee Rose Ziemer

Zackary Donald Zuleger

Judah Gary Griesbach is also part of St. Paul's 8th grade class, is our brother in Christ, is worshipping today, but not confirming his faith Lutheran.

Serving the Lord in Worship

Liturgy Rev. Timothy J. Shoup **Sermon** Rev. Mark R. Palmer
Organist Mrs. Lorraine Doell
Acolyte Owen Ullmer

Prayers

In Need of Healing . . . *Raul Aldana, June Bethke, Jackie Brassfield, Victoria Cook, Diane Genke, Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Reiley Kroening, Janice Kuehn, Judy Manthei, Audrey Moede, Donald Mueller, Jim Mueller Joann Neitzel, Brittany Slack, Tracy Sundstrom, Deb Tinlin, and Roger Wood.*



Baptism . . . *Jordy Ron Rank*, son of Tim and Michele Rank, who was born on April 29, will be baptized during the 8:00am service this weekend. His sponsors are *Carter Kurey, Craig Nowak, and Shaya Swanson.*

Wedding Prayer . . . *Blake Koch and Karisa Pedersen* will be joined in holy matrimony on Saturday, May 11, 2019, at St. Paul.

Altar Flowers . . . are placed to the glory of God by the *Confirmation Class of 2019.*

Prayer . . . for her 96th birthday celebrated by *Doris Buchholz* on May 4.

Announcements

The Lutheran Hour . . . "Home" (John 14:1-7)

With Jesus, we have a home. That's the good news for today. Tune in next Sunday to hear guest speaker, Dr. Dean Nadasdy at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM, at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7 FM, or at lutheranhour.org.

Altar Guild . . . Are you looking for a new way to serve the Lord? Altar Guild is looking for new members who only serve two months out of the year. Our next Altar Guild meeting is Monday, May 6, at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. Committees will be selected for the following six months. Annual dues of \$5 will be collected. Please consider attending to learn more about this important church organization.

SPYRT's Papa Murphy's Pizza Day . . . will be on Wednesday, May 8.

If you don't feel like cooking, support our youth! Buy any pizza of your choice, and SPYRT will receive 15% back from your purchase! Proceeds will help defray costs for the National Youth Gathering this summer. Thank you to all for supporting our youth group.



Our Church Worker Scholarship Committee . . . will be sponsoring a fundraiser at Culver's in Shawano on **Wednesday, May 8, 2019**. Culver's will donate 10% of that day's sales in support of students from our congregation who are preparing for full time church work careers. Last year we made a profit of over \$300. *Customers will need to present a special "coupon" at the time of their purchase on May 8 for us to get this 10%.* We will make these "coupons" available in the church narthex and church/school office. You may take as many as you want to share with family and friends. Your support of this fundraiser is appreciated!



Booster Club Golf Outing . . . Saturday, June 1, 2019, at Golden Sands Golf Club — 1:00pm shotgun with 4-person scramble. Cost is \$60 person, includes 18 holes of golf, cart, dinner, and \$15 donation towards the St. Paul gym floor maintenance, bleachers, and athletic activities. Dinner only \$20.00 and hole sponsorships are available. Pick up form for golfing entry or sponsorship from table in the narthex.

Bring it Home – May 5-11, 2019 . . . The page numbers refer to *The Story Bible*. Bible references are also provided.

1. Peter and Cornelius: Pages 437 – 439; Acts 10
2. Peter's Escape from Prison: Pages 440 – 442; Acts 12
3. Paul's First Missionary Journey: Pages 445 – 446; Acts 13 – 14
4. Paul and Timothy: Pages 447 – 449; Acts 15-16; 1 Timothy 1; 2 Timothy 4
5. Lydia: Pages 450 – 452; Acts 16; Philippians 1



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EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sun. 5/5** 8:00am Worship – Holy Communion
9:00am Fellowship – Confirmation Class
NO Bible Study
9:30am Confirmation Worship – Holy Communion
- Mon. 5/6** 7:30am Strong Bones
11:00am Volunteer Ministry Workshop Webinar
6:00pm Board of Trustees
6:00pm Board of Parish Fellowship
6:30pm Altar Guild
- Tues. 5/7** 7:00am Bible Study
8:00am Quilting
6:00pm Board of Evangelism
- Wed. 5/8** 4:00–6:00pm Food Pantry
6:00pm Bell Choir
6:30pm SPYRT
7:00pm Board of Elders
7:05pm Choir
- Thurs. 5/9** 2:00pm Women’s Bible Study
5:30pm Board of Parish Education
- Fri. 5/10** 7:30am Strong Bones
- Sat. 5/11** 2:00pm Pedersen-Koch Wedding
7:00pm Worship
- Sun. 5/12** 8:00am Worship
9:00am Fellowship – Altar Guild
9:15am Bible Study
10:15am Worship

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

May 11 Ella Thornborrow
May 12 Griffin Uelmen Reegan Kocherer

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

Patti Hermann
Patti Rosin Peggy Buchholz