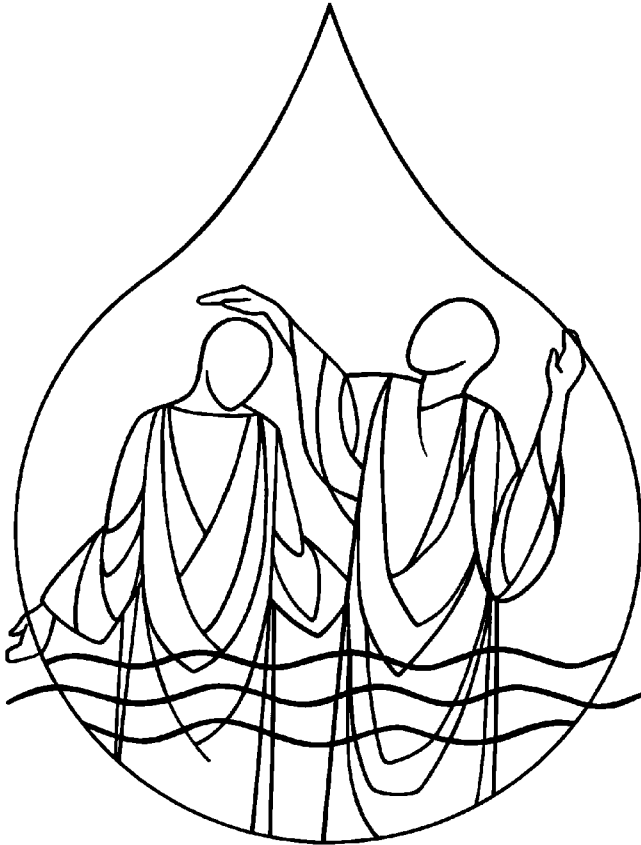


**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
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*"I have baptized you with water; but he will  
baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Mark 1:8*

**A Service of Affirmation of Baptism**

# Affirmation of Baptism

\* Stand As You Are Able

**P:** Pastor

**Y:** Youth

**C:** Congregation

## *Prelude*

**\*PROCESSIONAL**

*Choir*

*“Crown Him With Many Crowns”*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*INVOCATION**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the fountain of living water, the  
rock who gave us birth, our  
light and our salvation.

**C: Amen.**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 23*

**P:** The Lord is my shepherd;

**C: I have everything I need.**

**P:** He lets me rest in green pastures.

**C: He leads me to calm water.**

**P:** He gives me new strength.

**C: He leads me on paths that are right for the  
good  
of His name.**

**P:** Even if I walk through a very dark valley, I will  
not be afraid,

**C: because you are with me. Your rod and your  
walking stick comfort me.**

P: You prepare a meal for me

**C: in front of my enemies.**

P: You pour oil on my head;

**C: you fill my cup to overflowing.**

P: Surely your goodness and love will be with me  
all

my life,

**C: and I will live in the house of the Lord  
forever.**

### **\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, holy and gracious God,  
for you created the waters of the earth:  
wide oceans, rushing streams, clear lakes, mighty  
rivers.

You led your people through the sea  
and called them to life in covenant with you.  
Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan  
to begin his mission among us.  
You pour out your Holy Spirit to renew the  
face of the earth.

Through this water remind us of the gift of  
baptism.

Renew us in your promise  
so that we may serve this world in all its need;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **BLESSING OF BLANKETS**

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

#### **\*GREETING**

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

**C: And also with you.**

#### **\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

#### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Eternal and all-merciful God,

**C: with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

#### **FIRST READING**

*Acts 2:14a, 36-41*

**Psalms** 116:1-4, 12-19

#### **SECOND READING**

*1 Peter 1:17-23*

#### **\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*"Alleluia..."* P. 142

#### **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 24:13-35*

#### **THE SERMON**

## **CLASS PROCLAMATION OF FAITH**

## **Elected Reader:**

Izabelle Hulzebos & Riece Sanow

### ***Presentation of the 2023 Confirmands***

**President Dee Benson:** These persons have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of their Baptism.

*[Confirmands, please stand as your name is read.]*

**Kyson Arndt**

**Isaac Bollerud**

**Trayten Eischens**

**Harper Groenhoff**

**Sophia Hanson**

**Brynn Kockelman**

**Emily Nelson**

**Jadyn Schmitt**

**Genevieve Beutler**

**Kelci Eischens**

**Rona Engesmoe**

**Grace Hansen**

**Izabelle Hulzebos**

**Keith Miller**

**Riece Sanow**

### **\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

P: Dear friends, we rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume a greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world.

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ: In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his Church. In the community of God's people, you have learned from his Word God's loving purpose for you and all creation. You have been nourished at his holy table and called to be witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Now, therefore, 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.

P: Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

**Y: I do.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

**Y: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Y: 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**

**\*THE PRAYERS**

P: Let us pray for those who are affirming their  
Baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere:  
That they may be redeemed from all evil and  
rescued from the way of sin and death: Lord,  
in your mercy...

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to  
your grace and truth. Lord, in your mercy...

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That they may be kept in the faith and  
communion of your holy Church: Lord, in  
your mercy...

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That they may be sent into the world in  
witness to your love. Lord, in your mercy...

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That they may be brought to the fullness of  
your peace and glory. Lord, in your mercy...

**C: hear our prayer.**

***The Congregation May Be Seated.***

**Affirmation in the Presence of the Assembly:**

P: You have made public profession of your faith.  
Do you intend to continue in the covenant God  
made with you in Baptism: to live among  
God's faithful people, to hear his Word and

share in his 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?

*[Each Confirmand answers in turn.]*

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

**P:** 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.**

*[Each confirmand comes forward one at a time and kneels at the small kneeler. Parents, sponsors, mentors and others are invited to come forward with their Confirmand for the Laying on of Hands.]*

**[Confirmands will state their name to the Pastor as they place hands on the Confirmand's head.]**

**P:** Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in \_\_\_\_\_ the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his/her faith, guide his/her life, empower his/her serving, give him/her patience in suffering, and bring him/her to everlasting life.

**[Each Confirmand responds in turn]**

**Y: Amen.**

*After the Laying on of Hands Confirmation Verses will be read.*

**Confirmation gifts are received.**

**P:** Let us pray: We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from



sin, and raise them to eternal life. You have called them each by name: *Kyson, Genevieve, Isaac, Kelci, Trayten, Rona, Harper, Grace, Sophia, Izabelle, Brynn, Keith, Emily, Riece, Jady*n Continue to strengthen them with the Holy Spirit, and daily increase in them your gifts of grace. Stir up in them the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our lord.

**Y: Amen.**

**\*THE OFFERING** *Special Music by Isaac Bollerud*

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P:** God of all creation,

**C: we are yours in all we have belongs to you.**

**Accept these offerings and bless their use in your work among us. Amen.**

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**& WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**\*OUR LORD'S PRAYER**

**THE COMMUNION**

[The Ushers will assist you in coming forward in two continuous lines to receive the Sacrament.]

**\*THE BLESSING**

**\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P:** Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

P: Go in peace. May the Spirit of God be above you and below you, to the right of you and to the left, in front of and behind you.

May the Spirit inhabit your hearts and minds, and move through your hands and your feet.

May the Spirit fill your eyes and grace your lips to the glory of God our Father and Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior, both now and forevermore.

C: Amen.

### \*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

### \*RECESSIONAL “Here I Am, Lord” #574 ELW

*[Please rise and remain in your pews until all Confirmands and their families have exited the Sanctuary. Confirmands will form a receiving line to exchange greetings with you.]*

### *Postlude*

## Confirmation Class of 2023

**Kyson Arndt:** *John 14:6* - Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

**Genevieve Beutler:** *Romans 14:8* - If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

**Isaac Bollerud:** *Joshua 1:9* - Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”

**Kelci Eischens:** *Philippians 4:13* - I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

**Trayten Eischens:** *Isaiah 41:10* - So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

**Rona Engesmoe:** *Jeremiah 29:11* - For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

**Harper Groenhoff:** *Romans 8:38-39* - For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,<sup>[a]</sup> neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,<sup>39</sup> neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Grace Hansen:** *Isaiah 41:10* - So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

**Sophia Hanson:** *Psalms 118:14* - The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation.

**Izabelle Hulzebos:** *Matthew 22:37* - Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."

**Brynn Kockelman:** *Corinthians 9:24* - Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.

**Keith Miller: Proverbs 3:5** - Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;

**Emily Nelson: Proverbs 16:4** - The LORD works out everything to its proper end— even the wicked for a day of disaster.

**Riece Sanow: Luke 6:27** - But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.

**Jadyn Schmitt: Psalm 46:5** - God is within her, she will not fall.