

Affirmation of Baptism

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**Our Saviour's
Lutheran Church
Naperville**

Gathering and Procession

The order of worship is set out in this bulletin. Words are projected on the screen.
Unless noted otherwise, the page and hymn numbers are listed for the Red ELW Hymnal.
• Participation Guide: P = Pastor, L = Worship Leader, **All or C = Congregation**

Tolling of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

Call to Worship

- L: There is one Body and one Spirit;
C: There is one hope in God's call to us.
 L: One Lord, one faith, one Baptism;
C: One God, who gathers us all in love.
 L: Blessed be God, who sustains and renews the Church.
C: Blessed be God, who calls us to live the gospel with courage together.
 L: Blessed be God, who meets us with grace,
C: and guides us in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Processional of Confirmands *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW 504

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
 He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
 The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
 With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
 On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.
 But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.
 You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
 Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
 He holds the field victorious.
- 4 God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes who fear it;
 for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
 Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
 though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
 The kingdom's ours forever!

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God" Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship
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Invocation

- 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.

Canticle of Praise

This is the Feast

ELW p. 140

Refrain This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

- 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. (refrain)
- 2 Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his. (refrain)
- 3 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (refrain)
- 4 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (refrain)

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Prayer of the Day

The Word

First Reading

Psalm 46

NRSVue

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. ⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶ The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts. ⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. ⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. ⁹ The Lord makes wars cease to the end of the earth and breaks the bow and shatters the spear; the Lord burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth." ¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

ELW p. 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia

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The Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

NRSVue

P: The gospel according to John.

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

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³ 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'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Pastor Elisabeth Pynn Himmelman

Hymn of the Day

Here I Am, Lord

ELW 574

- 1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

- 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" (*Refrain*)

"Here I Am, Lord" Daniel L. Schutte Words & Music
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Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation)

Please do not take flash pictures during this portion of the Confirmation Service.

Presentation

Merciful God, we give you thanks that, through water and your Word, you have claimed each of us as your own beloved child. You call us into your presence, fill us with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourish us through the community of faith. Send us into the world to reflect your love. Strengthen these confirmands to live into the promises of baptism. Help them grow in faith, love, and courage, and remind them through your presence and the partnership of this community that they never walk this journey of life and faith alone. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Sign of the Cross

Receive the cross on your forehead, a sign of God's endless love and mercy for you.
Continue your journey to know and to follow Christ.

Receive the cross on your ears, that you may hear the gospel of Christ, the word of life.

Receive the cross on your eyes, that you may see the light of Christ, illumination on your path for deeper faith.

Receive the cross on your lips, that you may give praise to God in all you say and do.

Receive the cross on your heart, that God may dwell there by faith.

Receive the cross on your shoulders that you may bear the gentle yoke of Christ.

Receive the cross on your hands, that God's mercy may be known in your works.

Receive the cross on your feet, that you may walk in the way of Christ.

Hear the promise spoken over you at baptism: Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit + and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen.

Profession of Faith

P: To the confirmands, would you please stand. 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?

Confirmand: I renounce them.

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

Confirmand: I renounce them.

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

Confirmand: I renounce them.

P: Together as the body of Christ, we confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed, in three parts, as a response to three questions of belief. You are invited to rise in body or spirit:

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: 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 into hell. 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.

P: 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, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Affirmation of Baptismal Promises

P: Confirmands, 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?

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

P: To this community of faith, people of God, do you promise to support these siblings and pray for them in their life in Christ?

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

The congregation may be seated.

Confirmands and their families move to the altar

Blessing (Laying on of Hands)

Pastors, Mentors, and Families

Thanksgiving for Confirmands

Pastor Elisabeth Himmelman

P: Confirmands are invited to turn and face the congregation. Let us rejoice as the whole church with these siblings 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.

Clapping is appropriate.

Prayers and Sharing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Sharing of the Peace

L: May the peace of Christ be with you always!

C: And also with you.

Worship Through Giving

Offering Invitation

Music Offering

Go Ye Into All the World
Sanctuary Choir

Eugene Butler

"Go Ye Into All The World" Eugene Butler.
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Offertory

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather the harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be filled with the bread of life
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

"Let the Vineyards be Fruitful" Richard W. Hillert, © 1978
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Offering Prayer

The Meal

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

All are invited to come forward to receive the holy gifts. Those not receiving may come forward for a blessing. Please let an usher know if you need to receive communion at your seat.

Special Music

Canon in D
Caroline King, piano

Johann Pachelbel

"Canon in D" Johann Pachelbel, 1653 - 1706; arr. Brenda Dillon
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Communion Music

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Hillsong

Hannah King, song leader

Brayde Hoke, bell

- 1 You call me out upon the waters / The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery / In oceans deep, my faith will stand

Chorus And I will call upon Your name / And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise, my soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

- 2 Your grace abounds in deepest waters / Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail, and fear surrounds me / You've never failed, and You won't start now
(*Chorus*)

Bridge Spirit, lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Saviour (*repeat*)

Ending I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
My soul will rest in Your embrace
I am Yours, and You are mine

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) | Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, Salomon Ligthelm
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Prayer after Communion

Sending

Blessing

Sending Song

We Are Marching in the Light

ELW 866

- 1 We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching, we are marching in the light of God.
- 2 We are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing in the light of God.
We are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing in the light of God.
We are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, dancing, we are dancing in the light of God.
We are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, dancing, we are dancing in the light of God.
- 3 We are singing in the light of God, We are singing in the light of God.
We are singing in the light of God, We are singing in the light of God.
We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing, we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing, we are singing in the light of God.

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Dismissal

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. We will!

Postlude

Ode to Joy Brass Ensemble

arr. Fred Mills

"Ode to Joy" J.S. Beethoven/arr. Fred Mills
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Acknowledgments

Pastors	Brian Wise, Elisabeth Himmelman
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Cross & Bible Bearers	Jacob Chaussey, Jens Himmelman
Acolytes	Marshall Tonon, Joseph Hooper

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and all who gave of their time to plan, serve, and participate in today's worship.

Special Thanks to Our 8th Grade Mentors

Greg Nasman and Mandy Wise

Congratulations to our Confirmands

Annabell Grace Jackson	Caylee Faye Leppell	Jens Timothy Pynn Himmelman
Brayden Erick Hoke	Chloe Christina Carney	Joseph Scott Hooper
Caroline Grace King	Jacob Alexander Chaussey	Marshall Emerson Tonon

**After worship, you are invited to a special reception for the Confirmands
and their families in the Fellowship Center.**

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- Our Saviour's Campus, Traditional Worship, Saturday, 5:00 pm Sunday, 9:00 am
Blended Sunday, 11:00 am
- Celebration Campus, Contemporary Sunday, 10:00 am

Upcoming Events

Information for groups and events, as well as registration links, can be found on the
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