

Service of Confirmation

May 8, 2016
United Parish

Presentation of this year's candidates for confirmation:

Dylan Contarino, Dakota Contois and Nicole Becotte

Today is a special day for these three young people. They are here to declare their faith in Jesus Christ and express their desire to commit themselves to a strong spiritual life through this community of faith at the United Parish. They each have completed the course of study. Have met with and are approved by the Deacons to become members of the United Parish.

The Introduction of the Candidates

Questions to confirm their faith:

1. Do you believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ, The Redeemer?
2. Do you believe the Bible is God's revealed truth?
3. Do you confess and confirm your faith and belief in the Savior, the work of his Church and the fellowship of the believer?
4. Will you contribute to the work of God in time, talent and finances?
5. Will you endeavor to lead a life pleasing to God in faith and conduct?

Let us now confirm our faith along with these young people.

† The congregation stands and joins in with the candidates.

The Confirmation Covenant

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

People:

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He 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,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People:

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.

Pastor: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Pastor: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Pastor: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Pastor: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Pastor: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

The congregation may be seated

Pastoral Prayer and the Laying On of Hands

Presentation by the Deacons:

Now upon your confession of faith and determination to follow the Bible and fellowship with people of like precious faith, we welcome you into the fellowship of the Church in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

