

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

May 5, 2024 10:30 AM

Trinity Lutheran Church, Faribault, MN

We rejoice this day as a number of our young people say "Amen" publicly to their baptismal vows and confirm their faith in the Lord. Today's service focuses on the content of that faith.

- --PRESERVICE SONG "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"
- --WELCOME & WORDS OF PEACE (Please fill out Friendship Pads)
- -- ANNOUNCEMENTS
- --WORSHIP SONG "God With Us"

<u>Verse 1</u>...Who are we, that You would be mindful of us? What do You see, that's worth looking our way?

<u>Verse</u> 2...We are free, in ways that we never should be. Sweet release, from the grip of these chains.

<u>Channel</u>...Like hinges straining from the weight, my heart no longer can keep from singing.

<u>Chorus</u>...All that is within me cries. For You alone be glorified. Emmanuel, God with us. My heart sings a brand new song. The debt is paid these chains are gone. Emmanuel, God with us.

<u>Verse 3...</u>Lord, You know, our hearts don't deserve Your glory. Still You show, love we cannot afford. <u>Channel and Chorus....</u>

<u>Bridge</u>...Such a tiny offering, compared to Calvary, nevertheless we lay it at your feet. Such a tiny offering, compared to Calvary, nevertheless we lay this at your feet.

Chorus...

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--INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

-- CONFESSION OF SINS

- P. Let us confess our sins to God and ask for His forgiveness.
- C. Almighty God, we live in the light of our Savior, but we are tempted by the darkness of sin. We follow our selfish desires. We turn from Your Word to listen to the temptations of the world. We fail to love others as we should because we do not let Jesus' light shine through our lives. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sins and turn our hearts and minds to the light of Jesus.

--FORGIVNESS OF SINS

--FIRST LESSON Acts 10:34-48

³⁴Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, 40 but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 And he

--SECOND LESSON 1 John 5:1-8

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.

commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

⁴⁴While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. 46For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

L. Here ends the first reading.

And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

(continued...)

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there

are three that testify: 8the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

L. Here ends the second reading.

--GOSPEL LESSON John 15:9-17

⁹[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵No longer do I call you

servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

--OFFERING/MESSAGE SONG "How Deep The Father's Love For Us" (Galatians 6:14) (Please bring your Offerings forward during the song.)

<u>Verse 1</u>...How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the chosen One bring many sons to glory.

<u>Verse 2</u>...Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders; Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished.

<u>Verse 3...I</u> will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom; But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer; But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

<u>Tag...</u>Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom.

--MESSAGE OF THE DAY "THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE FULL" (Text: John 15:11) ~The Rev. Matthew Lane

-- CONFIRMANDS STATEMENTS OF FAITH

-- RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Address to the Confirmands; Response of Faith; Statement of Vows; Individual Blessings

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Out of respect and reverence for the worship setting, we request that <u>no flash pictures</u> be taken during this Service.

⅓ Isabelle Lynn Bauer

1 John 4:19

"We love because he first loved us."

→ Jillian Elizabeth Buffington

Psalm 78:32-38

- "32 In spite of all this, they still sinned; despite his wonders, they did not believe.

 33 So he made their days vanish like a breath, and their years in terror.
- ³⁴ When he killed them, they sought him; they repented and sought God earnestly.
- ³⁵ They remembered that God was their rock, the Most High God their redeemer. ³⁶ But they flattered him with their mouths; they lied to him with their tongues.
- ³⁷ Their heart was not steadfast toward him; they were not faithful to his covenant.
- ³⁸ Yet he, being compassionate, atoned for their iniquity and did not destroy them; he restrained his anger often and did not stir up all his wrath."

Psalm 100:5

"For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

→ Samuel Galen Johnson

Matthew 4:19

"And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

→ Coleman Joseph Lane Lewis

1 Peter 5:7

"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."

→ Noah Christopher Negaard

Deuteronomy 31:6

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

☆ Andrew Gary Peterson

Joshua 1:9

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

--PRAYERS

(Sung at beginning of prayers)

"The Spirit Intercedes For Us" (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us, with sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

The pastor will conclude the prayers with: "Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray..."

(Sung at end of the prayers)

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--THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

--WORDS OF INSTITUTION

-- SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION

"Family Prayer Song (As For Me and My House)" (Joshua 24:15)

<u>Verse 1</u>...Come and fill our homes with Your presence; You alone are worthy of our reverence.

<u>Chorus</u>...As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord; As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord; We will serve the Lord.

<u>Verse 2</u>...Lord, we vow to live holy, bowing our knees to You only; <u>Chorus</u>...

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<u>Bridge</u>...Staying together, praying together any storm we can weather, trusting in God's Word. We need each other, fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers in harmony and love.

Sing Chorus, then...We will serve the Lord.

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"Jesus, Messiah" (Psalm 18:2; 2 Corinthians 5:21)

<u>Verse 1</u>...He became sin, Who knew no sin; that we might become His righteousness; He humbled Himself, and carried the cross. Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

<u>Chorus</u>...Jesus, Messiah; Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel. The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

<u>Verse 2</u>...His body the bread, His blood the wine broken and poured out, all for love. The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn. Love so amazing, Love so amazing. *Chorus...*

<u>Bridge</u>...All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You; all the glory to You, God, the Light of the world.

Sing Chorus, then...Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

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"All Who are Thirsty" (Revelation 21:6b; John 7:37-39)

<u>Verse</u>...All who are thirsty, all who are weak, come to the fountain dip your heart in the stream of life. Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away in the waves of His mercy as deep cries out to deep.

Chorus...Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Repeat Verse and Chorus, then...Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.

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-- COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

→ in peace.

C. Amen

--BENEDICTION

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

C. Amen.

--CLOSING SONG "Same Power" (1 Corinthians 15:57; 1 John 4:4)

<u>Verse 1</u>...I can see waters raging at my feet. I can feel the breath of those surrounding me. I can hear the sound of nations rising up. We will not be overtaken; we will not be overcome.

<u>Verse 2</u>...I can walk down this dark and painful road. I can face every fear of the unknown. I can hear all God's children singing out: We will not be overtaken; we will not be overcome.

<u>Chorus</u>...The same power that rose Jesus from the grave, the same power that commands the dead to wake lives in us, lives in us. The same power that moves mountains when He speaks, the same power that can calm a raging sea lives in us, lives in us! He lives in us, lives in us!

<u>Verse 3...</u>We have hope that His promises are true. In His strength, there is nothing we can't do. Yes, we know there are greater things in store. We will not be overtaken; we will not be overcome. *Chorus...*

<u>Bridge</u>...Greater is He that is living in me! He's conquered our enemy. No power of darkness, no weapon prevails; we stand here in victory. Repeat Bridge, then...Oh, in victory!!! Chorus...

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- P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God!

* * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * *

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