



CONFIRMED IN
FAITH

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

May 10, 2026 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.

The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 10:30 service today. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder or Worship Assistant.

--PRESERVICE SONG

--WELCOME & WORDS OF PEACE *(Please fill out Friendship Pads)*

--ANNOUNCEMENTS

--SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING “I Am Thankful” & “God, Bless Our Family”

--WORSHIP SONG “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” LSB 790, sts. 1-5

(Please stand)

--INVOCATION

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

C. Amen

CONFESSIO

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C. **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.**

ABSOLUTION

P. 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.

C. Amen. (Please sit)

--FIRST LESSON Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbling wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?" ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in

temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

"In him we live and move and have our being";

as even some of your own poets have said,

"For we are indeed his offspring."

²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

L. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

--SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 3:13-22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in

(Please stand)

--GOSPEL LESSON John 14:15-21

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. John, from the fourteenth chapter.

C. Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will

the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

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live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to You, O Christ.

FIRST COMMANDMENT

P. You shall have no other gods. What does this mean?

C. **We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.**

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C. **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

(Please sit)

--TITHES AND OFFERING *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Piano*
*(While the music is playing, please bring your offerings forward
and place them in the plate.)*

--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**--SERMON SONG "King of Kings"**

King of kings and Lord of lords,

Glory, hallelujah!

King of kings and Lord of lords,

Glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace,

Glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace,

Glory, hallelujah!

(Repeat verse...)

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--SERMON "TO AN UNKNOWN GOD" (Text: Acts 17:16-31)

The Rev. Alex Slotter

--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 no flash pictures be taken during this Service.*

✠ **Summer Jo**

Proverbs 4:23

"Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life."

✠ **Claire Elizabeth**

Matthew 6:34

"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself.
Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

✠ **Bentley Douglas Kane**

Isaiah 43:1

"But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.'"

✠ **Paduam (Ty)**

Romans 10:9

"Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

✠ **William Dennis****2 Samuel 22:31**

“This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true;
he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.”

✠ **Abigail Marie****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.”

(Please stand)**--PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH****--THE LORD’S PRAYER****--WORDS OF INSTITUTION****(Please sit)****--SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION****“In Christ Alone”**

Verse 1...In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my Light, my Strength, my Song;
This Cornerstone, this Solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

Verse 2...In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe;
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
‘Til on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

Verse 3...There in the ground His body lay, Light of the World by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

Verse 4...No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
‘Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand!

Tag...No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
‘Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand!

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” *LSB* 709, sts. 1-6

(Please stand)

--COMMUNION DISMISSAL

--POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P. Let us pray... one God, now and forever.

C. Amen

--BENEDICTION

P. The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C. Amen.

(Please sit)

--CLOSING SONG “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” *LSB* 924, sts. 1-3

P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God!

*** * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * ***

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