

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 30th, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Theme: The Greatness of God

As We Gather

Today is a special day in the lives of those students who have prepared themselves for the Rite of Confirmation. Today they will profess their faith in Jesus Christ and embark upon a special journey in the Church for the remainder of their lives. As important as this day is for them, this day can be a day of reflection for all of us. We can take this opportunity to reflect upon the meaning of our own confirmation experience and how the Holy Spirit has guided us toward a fuller understanding of the Scriptures and how He has guided us toward a more complete participation in this congregation and the Church at large.

Prayer Before Worship

Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits thou hast given me, for all the pains and insults thou hast borne for me. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly, day by day. Amen. *Prayer of Saint Richard of Chichester (1197 – 1253) that inspired the song from Godspell “Day By Day.”*

Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

Opening Hymn

All Creatures of our God and King
(Class hymn of the Confirmation Class of 2017)

1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice with us and sing:
Alleluia, alleluia! O burning sun with golden beam
And silver moon with softer gleam:

Refrain:

Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. O rushing wind and breezes soft, O clouds that ride the winds a loft:
Oh, praise him! Alleluia! O rising morn, in praise rejoice,
O lights of evening, find a voice. *Refrain*

3. O flowing waters, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear.
Oh, praise him! Alleluia! O fire so masterful and bright,
Providing us with warmth and light. *Refrain*

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

P: Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!

C: He is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!

Gospel Announcement

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

John 21:1-23

(The questioning of Peter)

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. “I’m going out to fish,” Simon Peter told them, and they said, “We’ll go with you.” So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, “Friends, haven’t you any fish?” “No,” they answered. He said, “Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.” When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, “It is the Lord,” he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish you have just caught.” So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” None of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” “Yes, Lord,” he said, “you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” Again Jesus said, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep.” The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my sheep. Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, “Follow me!” Peter turned and saw that the disciple whom Jesus loved was following them. (This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, “Lord, who is going to betray you?”) When Peter saw him, he asked, “Lord, what about him?” Jesus answered, “If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? You must follow me.” Because of this, the rumor spread among the believers that this disciple would not die. But Jesus did not say that he would not die; he only said, “If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you?”

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn

Lift High The Cross

(Class hymn of the Confirmation Class of 2022)

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim

‘Till all the world adore His sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*
2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine. *Refrain*
3. All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. *Refrain*

Sermon

Text: John 21:1-23

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Rev. Randall J. Schlak

Prayer of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

Rite of Confirmation

Spiritual Preparation for Receiving the Eucharist

Holy Communion for Confirmands and their Families

Communion Hymn

I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

1. I was there to hear your borne cry. I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.
2. I was there when you were but a child with a faith to suit you well,
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.
3. When you heard the wonder of the word I was there to cheer you on,
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
4. When you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I’ll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk ‘till rising sun.
5. In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young
I’ll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I’ve begun.
6. When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,
I’ll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.
7. I was there to hear your borne cry, I’ll be there when you are old,
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

Benediction and Response: Amen! Amen! Amen!

Easter Proclamation

P: Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!

C: He is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!

Closing Hymn

Thy Strong Word

(Class hymn of the Confirmation Class of 2021)

1. Thy strong Word did cleave the darkness; at Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee, while Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation, breathed Thine own life-giving breath.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

3. Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist

The offerings will be received at the door.



Sanctuary altar flowers were placed in honor of our Confirmation Class of 2022. God bless their continued journey in the Faith.

Audio/Video Operator
David Hardoin

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- Colin Alexander Amos** Psalm 34:18
"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."
- Kelly Jennifer Bloom** 2 Corinthians 5:7
"For we walk by faith, not by sight."
- Quinn Davis Elliott** Psalm 62:2
"He alone is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress, I will never be shaken."
- John Colin Friedrich** Luke 1:37
"For with God nothing shall be impossible."
- Reagan Jean Greenwalt** John 11:35
"Jesus wept."
- Cecilia Jean Hurst** Matthew 5:14
"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden."
- Grace Louanna Kamm** 1 Peter 1:8-9
"You love Him even though you have never seen Him, though not seeing Him you trust Him; and even now you are happy, and filled with the inexpressible joy, for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls."
- Alexis Christine Klaus** Joshua 1:9
"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."
- Thomas Matthew Lewis Jr.** Joshua 1:9
"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."
- Lauren Jane Lund** Exodus 14:14
"The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still."
- Maximus Michael McCulloch** Psalm 100:4-5
"Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations."
- Abigail Ella Murphy** Psalm 16:8
"I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken."
- Daniel Jeffrey Schultz** 1 Peter 5:7
"Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you."
- Ava Lorraine Tafel** Matthew 6:34
"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."
- Matthew Ethan Wiegand** Psalm 118:24
"This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."



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