



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM DAY OF PENTECOST 2018

PRELUDE

"Rondo Festivo" Cynthia Dobrinski
Bellissimo

OPENING READING Acts 2:1-21

Before the reading:

Lc Fire words, found in the Book of Acts, about the history of the church.

Following the reading:

Lc The Spirit of God is still moving, setting us ablaze.

Please rise, in body or spirit.

OPENING HYMN ELW 400

GREETING

P The Grace of the risen Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

P WELCOME

PRAYER

P Let us pray:

God who is continually creating, your Holy Spirit kindles in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise. On this day may all of your creation speak words of love, hope and peace. Amen.

The community is seated.

WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT THESE 8TH GRADERS?

FIRST READING Acts 9:1-9, 19b-22

Before the reading:

Lc Our first reading comes from the Book of Acts. This is the story about when Saul becomes Paul. For the 8th graders, the story of Paul was important to their confirmation experience, particularly how God called him into something new and how Paul worked to make God's tent bigger and bigger.

Following the reading:

Lc Words of God.

Lc Please rise, in body or spirit, to welcome the Gospel.

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GOSPEL READING Luke 18:1-8

Before the reading:

Lc Hear another reading selected by one of our confirmands. This text reminds us, that God's grace is always there. God always hears the cry of God's people, even teenagers.

Following the reading:

Lc Words of wisdom.
Words of longing.

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 581

The community is seated.

SERMON

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

THE COMMUNITY BLESSES THE CONFIRMANDS

The community is invited to raise their hands in benediction toward these young persons and pray.

P Holy One,
Stir up in Daniel, Olivia, Caroline, Aubrey, Bella, Ella and Maya the gift of the Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and compassion, and the spirit of joy. Amen.

Pastor and family then lay hands on each young person as the Pastor prays over them. Each confirmand is then marked with oil with the words "You have been sealed with the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever." Each one is then given a red stole and a certificate.

At the invitation of the Pastor, please rise in body or spirit.

SHARING THE PEACE

PThe peace of the living Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another.

The community is seated.

OFFERING OF MUSIC

"I Thank My God" J. Aaron McDermid
Chancel Choir

OFFERING OF GIFTS

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POST OFFERING PRAYER

P Please rise, in body or spirit.
Let us pray:

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love.
Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P May God be with you.
And also with you.
Let us lift our voices in an act of praise.
Great God, we praise you!
Let us thank God as well.
Thanks be to God forever.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P On the night he was betrayed Jesus sat and ate with his disciples:

some doubting, some arrogant, one betraying, and all broken. We too are welcomed to this table, not because we are perfect, but because this is where God chooses to meet us, feed us, and give us the healing love we so desperately need. At this table we are invited to receive the living God in bread and wine and see the face of God in all who gather with us.

During this meal...

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as 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.**

The community is seated.

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P COMMUNION BLESSING

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Please rise, in body or spirit.

CLOSING HYMN ELW 543, vs. 1 & 3

SENDING

As teens who have just shared our relationship with God with all of you, we bless you with the courage and strength to share your faith with others.

**The Spirit washes over us with love
and boldness.**

Now go in Peace to be God's hands in the world!

POSTLUDE

"Wade in the Water" arr. Chuck Marohnic



GOSPEL HYMN

TAKE, OH, TAKE ME AS I AM

Sung twice

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be;

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The key signature has four flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, D-flat). The melody in the upper staff begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B-flat4, and C5. The bass line in the lower staff begins with a half note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B-flat2, and C3. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

The second system of musical notation also consists of two staves in the same clefs and key signature as the first system. The melody in the upper staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F5, followed by a half note G5. The bass line continues with quarter notes D2, E2, and F2, followed by a half note G2. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

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