



# Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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## Confirmation Saturday – May 1, 2021 – 10:30AM

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### ~Opening Prayer

(ELH p. 41)

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

### ~Opening Hymn 509 *Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*

*1. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Bless the young before Thee;  
Thou their wants and dangers know'st  
Watch them, we implore Thee.  
Here they stand,  
Hopeful band,  
Faith in Thee confessing,  
Waiting for Thy blessing.*

*2. Gentle Savior, they are Thine,  
Thou wilt never lose them;  
May Thy life and love divine  
Melt their tender bosom.  
Lord, we pray  
That they may  
All like Thee, be holy,  
Loving, meek, and lowly.*

*3. Giver Thou of gifts to all,  
No good thing deny them:  
Hear, O hear our earnest call,  
Life and light supply them.  
Strength renew,  
Keep them true;  
All that stand before Thee,  
Bless them, we implore Thee.*

## ~Sermon Text

**Luke 24:28-35** Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them. Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.

## ~Sermon Theme

*Abide with Us!*

1. *Having come to know Jesus better, we ask Him to stay with us.*
2. *And we trust that He always will stay with us.*
3. *Moved by our thanks to Him, we share the Good News with others.*

## ~Rite of Confirmation

*~Exhortation and Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant*

*~Confirmation Vows*

*~Blessing and Announcement of Confirmation Passage*

*~Welcome and Benediction*

*~Confirmation Prayer*

## ~Hymn 444, vv. 1, 4, 6 **Take My Life and Let It Be Sung by the 2021 Confirmands**

1. *Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days;  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

4. *Take my silver and my gold,  
Not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect and use  
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.*

Congregation may join for verse 6.  
**6. Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all, for Thee.**

~Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.**

~Collect — *In appreciation of God's gifts*

*(ELH p. 118-119, Form II)*

P: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your boundless grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel, and have instituted the Holy Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and forgiveness of sin; we beseech You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may believe Your Word; and through the holy Sacraments day by day establish our faith, until we at last obtain salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

~Benedicamus — *Call for blessing*

*(ELH p. 119; 2 Cor. 13:14)*

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C: ♪ Thanks be to God.**

~Benediction — *Final blessing for God's people*

*(ELH p. 119; Num. 6:24-26)*

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 Hymn 511 *Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide*

*1. Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide,  
For round us falls the eventide;  
Nor let Thy Word, that heav'nly light,  
For us be ever veiled in night.*

*2. In these last days of sore distress  
Grant us, dear Lord, true steadfastness  
That pure we keep, till life is spent,  
Thy holy Word and Sacrament.*

*3. Lord, Jesus, help, Thy Church uphold,  
We are so sluggish, thoughtless, cold,  
O prosper well Thy Word of grace  
And spread its truth in ev'ry place!*

4. *O keep us in Thy Word, we pray;  
The guile and rage of Satan stay!  
O may Thy mercy never cease!  
Give concord, patience, courage, peace.*

5. *O God, how sin's dread works abound!  
Throughout the earth no rest is found,  
And falsehood's spirit wide has spread,  
And error boldly rears its head.*

6. *And ever is there something new  
Devised to change Thy doctrines true;  
Lord Jesus! As Thou still dost reign,  
Those vain presumptuous minds restrain;*

7. *And as the cause and glory, Lord,  
Are Thine, not ours, to us afford  
Thy help and strength and constancy,  
And keep us ever true to Thee.*

8. *Thy Word shall fortify us hence,  
It is Thy Church's sure defense;  
O let us in its pow'r confide,  
That we may seek no other guide.*

9. *O grant that in Thy holy Word  
We here may live and die, dear Lord;  
And when our journey endeth here,  
Receive us into glory there.*

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