



**Sunday, August 30, 2020**  
**13th Sunday after Pentecost/  
Confirmation Sunday**  
**10:00 a.m. Service**  
St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
Olathe, Kansas

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## **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God  
We join together in prayer, praise and song*

## **INTRODUCTION**

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

## **WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**And also with you.**

## **OPENING SONG** ELW 396

### **Spirit of Gentleness**

#### *Refrain*

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the  
sea.

- 1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain*
- 2 You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,

then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *Refrain*

- 3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*
- 4 You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.  
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions your people arise.  
*Refrain*

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## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

### Gospel

**Matthew 16: 21– 28**

*After Peter confesses that Jesus is “the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a “rock.”*

*The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the 16th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.***

<sup>21</sup>From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." <sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? <sup>27</sup>For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**



**CONFIRMATION FAITH STATEMENTS** (see insert)

2020 Confirmation Class

**PARENTAL REFLECTIONS**

**AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM** (see insert)

## PRAYERS

*Trusting God's promise of new life, we pray for the renewal of the church, the world, and all of creation.*

*A brief silence.*

After each petition...

... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray ...

**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 forever. Amen**

## COMMUNION

*All who seek the Crucified and Risen Christ in bread and cup are welcome to dine at this table. Please form a line and proceed to the Fellowship Hall, where Communion will be served. Everyone will be served a Communion wafer, and you may choose an individual cup of wine or white grape juice from the tray. Those who do not commune will receive a word of blessing.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Friends of Jesus, come to the table.  
Receive nourishment for your journey.



## COMMUNION SONGS ELW 574

### **Here I am Lord**

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?"

### *Refrain*

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.

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The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God of the welcome table,  
in this meal we have feasted on your goodness  
and have been united by your presence among us.  
Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts  
so that we may share your neighborly love with all,  
through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.

**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.  
God, the creator, ✚ Jesus, the Christ,  
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,  
bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**Amen.**

### **SENDING SONG**

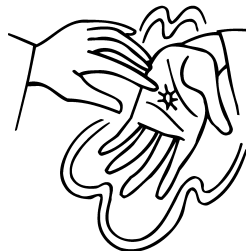
*My Lighthouse*

*by Rend Collective*

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**



## August 30, 2020 Confirmation Sunday

### Confirmands' Faith Statements

#### **Conner Michael Doherty**

Son of Justin and Joni Doherty  
Date of birth: November 10, 2005  
Baptized at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on January 8, 2006  
Baptismal sponsors: Jeff and Anita Poynter  
Confirmation Mentor: Mark Schmideskamp  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Proverbs 3: 5-6  
<sup>5</sup>Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and do not rely on your own insight.  
<sup>6</sup>In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make straight your paths.

#### **Kiefer Ewy**

Son of Kelly Gigstad and Austin Ewy  
Date of birth: January 22, 2006  
Baptized at Prince of Peace Catholic Church on October 8, 2006  
Baptismal Sponsors: Bob Ewy and Theresa Davenport  
Confirmation Mentor: Andrew Krievins  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Deuteronomy 31:6  
<sup>6</sup>Be strong and bold; have no fear or dread of them,  
because it is the LORD your God who goes with you;  
he will not fail you or forsake you."

#### **Ashlyn Gaughan**

Daughter of Doug and Lesley Gaughan  
Born on December 12, 2005  
Baptized at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on April 30, 2006  
Baptismal Sponsors: Brad Gaughan,  
Jammie and Amy Landin  
Confirmation Mentor: Ainsley Gaughan  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Galatians 3:28  
<sup>28</sup>There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer  
slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for  
all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

#### **Margaret Joan Schott**

Daughter of Todd and Vanessa Schott  
Date of birth: October 12, 2005  
Baptized at First Lutheran Church Fremont, Nebraska  
on March 19, 2006  
Baptismal sponsors: Amelia (Smith) All and Brian  
Schott  
Confirmation Mentor: Mary Mindrup  
Confirmation Bible Verse: 2 Chronicles 15:7  
<sup>7</sup>But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be  
weak, for your work shall be rewarded."

#### **Julia Ann Sibson**

Daughter of Scott and Amanda Sibson  
Date of birth: January 24, 2006  
Baptized at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on April 2,  
2006  
Baptismal sponsors: Michael Dvorak  
Confirmation Mentor: Maggie Vandenburg  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Philippians 4:13  
<sup>13</sup>I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

#### **Caleb Michael Swanson**

Son of Keith and Rosemary Swanson  
Date of birth: August 14, 2006  
Baptized at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on November  
26, 2006  
Baptismal Sponsors: Oscar and Mary Rivera  
Confirmation Mentor: Doug and Sheri Campbell  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Hebrews 4:12  
<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper  
than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides  
soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge  
the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

#### **Veronika Vancsa**

Daughter of Anna Zolnai  
Born on October 18, 2005  
Baptized in Budapest, Hungary on June 5, 2006  
Baptismal Sponsors: Böhm Géza and Sarkadi Mária  
Confirmation Mentor: Jami Schmideskamp  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Ephesians 4: 32  
<sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiv-  
ing one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

### **Affirmation of Baptism**

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

I present Conner Doherty, Kiefer Ewy, Ashlyn Gaughan, Margaret Schott, Julia Sibson, Caleb Swanson & Veronika Vanca, who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and these brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

### **Profession of Faith**

*The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**Response: I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**Response: I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**Response: I renounce them.**

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly.*

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

You have made public the profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God

and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ

through word and deed,

to serve all people,

following the example of Jesus,

and to strive for justice and peace in all the Earth?

**Response: I do, and I ask for God to help and guide me.**

*The minister addresses the assembly:* People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

**We do, and ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

*The blessing is repeated for each person. The minister lays both hands on the head of the person and says:*

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Conner, Kiefer, Ashlyn, Margaret, Julia, Caleb & Veronika) the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm her/his faith, guide her/his life, empower her/him in her/his serving, give her/him patience in suffering, and bring her/him to everlasting life.

**Amen.**

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ!

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.**

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**



## PRAYER REQUESTS & CONDOLENCES

Contact Janet Anderson at 913.780.6408 to add names to the prayer chain or to join the prayer chain. Please contact the church office to make changes to this list.

### **St. Mark's members:**

Ginny Schwartzbeck,  
Shane Paulson,  
Pete Cagle,  
Jeanette Cain,  
Ron & Ann Gardner,  
Darrell Strampe,  
Janet Schmidt,  
Susan Roberts,  
Phyllis Dettmer,  
Jerry Kay Lage,  
Madison Young

### **Family & friends:**

Family of Olathe Mayor, Mike Copeland,  
Chris, friend of the Andersons,  
Lena Shelton, friend of the Schmideskamps,  
Crissy, cousin of Tom Bryer ,  
Caroline, aunt of Nancy Bryer ,  
Marie Carlin, friend of Barbara Strampe,  
Neil Wray, Son of Lynn and Tom,  
Brian Lynn, cousin of Amy Hackler,  
Jeff Needham, friend of St. Mark's, Peggy Hinkle,  
Step-Mother of Kathy Hinkle,  
Stephanie Herndon, friend of Kathy Hinkle,  
Wally Tschopp, Brother of Barbara Strampe,  
Judy Wagner, Sister-in-law of Paula Quade,  
Tim Eiter, Father of Todd Eiter,  
Rebeka Gillette, friend of Janet Nichols, Jackie  
Warriner, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart,  
Shirley, neighbor of Mary Weeg ,  
Don Thun, Father of Matt Thun,  
Ken Liesche, Brother of 'Sam' Ham, Don Ham,  
Brother of Hollie Ham,  
Kelly Franks, Daughter of Hollie and 'Sam' Ham ,  
Janice Ham, Sister-in-law of Hollie Ham,  
Aeris, Great Niece of Tom Bryer,  
Sammy Schreiman, friend of Kathy Hinkle,  
Catherine Dial, relative of Anne Gardner,  
Karen Bannister, friend of Jane Scherrer,

"Our little friend",

Catherine Tietjen, Mary Mindrup's sister ,  
Rob Boulter, friend of Mark Schmideskamp,  
Matt Warriner, Great Nephew of Linda Goodheart,  
Joan Nelson, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart,  
Dean Taake, Joyce Johnson's brother,  
Gibby, friend of Erica Bryer,  
Joanne, Amy Fisher's sister,  
Neil Warriner, Linda Goodheart's brother,  
Bob Hinkle, Kathy Hinkle's dad,  
Judy Wendt, Jeannine Matthew's  
sister-in-law,  
Paul Heath, Don Anderson's cousin, Donna  
Poppe, friend of St. Marks, Rosemary Williams  
and her sons Wayne & Wade Beck,  
Brooke Harris, friend of Gretchen Goodheart  
Stewart,  
Dan Ostergaard - friend of the Goodhearts,  
Frank Heckadon, Linda Goodheart's brother-in-  
law,  
Bruce Dawson, friend of the Goodhearts,  
Gary Pellogrom, friend of the Goodheart's,  
Jackson Werth, friend of the Bott/Bollinger Families,  
Kirk Wheeler, cousin of Verna McMullin,  
Ivan, brother of Jane Stresewski  
All People affected by natural disasters

### **Those in the Military:**

A.J. Simons, nephew of Stan and  
Karen Thompson,  
Logan Peck, nephew of Karen and  
Stan Thompson,  
Zack Moran-Prichard, grandson of  
Hollie and Sam Ham