



# Celebrating Their Confirmation

## **Pre-Service Meditation:**

**1 Peter 2:10** <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, You have shown Your love and mercy toward us through Your Son, who gave up His life for us. You called us to be Your people through faith in the Gospel. Preserve us in that faith, from now until we reach eternal life where our faith will be realized. In this week of Jesus' Holy Passion, give us contrite hearts that we may be filled with joy upon Easter's dawning. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit, One God now and forever. Amen.

# REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Confirmation Sunday

**Opening Hymn**

**TLH 161 Hosanna Loud Hosanna**

**Examination**

**Hymn:**

**TLH 337 O Lord and God, O Bless This Day**

**Scripture Reading**

**Matthew 21:1-9**

**Hymn:**

**WS 725 No Tramp of Soldiers Marching Feet**

**Sermon:**

**1 Peter 2:1-10 NKJV**

Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, <sup>2</sup> as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious. <sup>4</sup> Coming to Him *as to* a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God *and* precious, <sup>5</sup> you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame." <sup>7</sup> Therefore, to you who believe, *He is* precious; but to those who are disobedient, "The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone," <sup>8</sup> and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed. <sup>9</sup> But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; <sup>10</sup> who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

**God is Building You Up for Life**

**Offertory:** **Speak, O Lord, Thy Servant Heareth**

Speak, O Lord, Thy servant heareth, To Thy Word I now give heed; Life and spirit Thy Word beareth, All Thy Word is true indeed. Death's dread power in me is rife; Jesus, may Thy Word of Life Fill my soul with love's strong fervor That I cling to Thee forever.

Precious Jesus, I beseech Thee, May Thy words take root in me; May this gift from heaven enrich me So that I bear fruit for Thee! Take them never from my heart Till I see Thee as Thou art, When in heavenly bliss and glory I shall greet Thee and adore Thee.

**Hymn:** **TLH 333 Blessed Savior, Who has Taught Me**

**Offering of Thankful Hearts**

**The Rite of Confirmation**

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**1 Peter 2:9:** But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; (NKJV)

**Words of Institution**

**Distribution**

**Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer [Insert]**

**Benediction**

**Hymn:** **TLH 334 Let Me Be Thine Forever**

**Silent Prayer**

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# Announcements

## Upcoming Events:

- **Holy Week Schedule:**
  - Good Friday Service at 7pm
  - Easter Sunday service at 9 am
  - Easter Brunch after Church ~ 10:15 am
- **Reception:** The Penwell family invites you to join them for refreshments in the basement following the service.

## Call News:

- Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Spokane Valley, WA ***has received the call*** to Messiah Lutheran Church of Eau Claire, WI
- Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church of Loganville, GA ***has received the call*** to St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Mountain View, CA
- Pastor Paul Tiefel of Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, WI ***has announced his retirement*** effective August 2025.

## Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup> Redemption Easter Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Redemption Sunday Service at 9

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