He Makes All Things New

Confirmation Sunday
November 1, 2026 – 11:00 AM

AS WE GATHER

Today at our 8 and 11 am worship services seven young people stand together to profess their faith and trust in our Lord God. (Gavin Brosnahan, Brayden Danley, Brianna Danley, Ethan Gugel, Addalyn Meier, Isaac Maxwell, Finn Rosenbaum) We celebrate all that God has done to join Himself to them and call them His very own children. And we stand together with them as one in the Body of Christ However, like those that have come before us, we still take every step forward not knowing exactly what lies in wait for us tomorrow. All we can do is step faithfully and boldly forward…Trusting in His promises.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE SING **"Child Of Love"**

WORDS OF PREPARATION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-9)

(silent time for reflection on God's Word)

CONFESSION OF SINS

THROUGH JESUS, GOD DECLARES US TO BE FORGIVEN

WE SING **"Chosen"**

We Hear God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING **Isaiah 66:18-23**

18 "And I, because of what they have planned and done, am about to come and
gather the people of all nations and languages, and they will come and see
my glory. 19 "I will set a sign among them, and I will send some of those who
survive to the nations—to Tarshish, to the Libyans and Lydians, to Tubal and
Greece, and to the distant islands that have not heard of my fame
or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory among the nations. 20 And they
will bring all your people, from all the nations, to my holy mountain in
Jerusalem as an offering to the Lord—on horses, in chariots and wagons,
and on mules and camels," says the Lord.
"They will bring them, as the Israelites bring their grain offerings, to the
temple of the Lord in ceremonially clean vessels. 21 And I will select some of
them also to be priests and Levites," says the Lord. 22 "As the new heavens
and the new earth that I make will endure before me," declares the Lord, "so
will your name and descendants endure. 23 From one New Moon to another
and from one Sabbath to another, all mankind will come and bow
down before me," says the Lord.

EPISTLE READING **Hebrews 12:14-29**

[14]Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. [15]See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.

[16]See that no one is godless like Esau, who for a single meal sold his inheritance rights as the oldest son. [17]Afterward, as you know, when he wanted to inherit this blessing, he was rejected. He could bring about no change of mind, though he sought the blessing with tears.

[18]You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; [19]to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, [20]because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned." [21]The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear."

[22]But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, [23]to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect, [24]to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

[25]See to it that you do not refuse Him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused Him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from Him who warns us from heaven? [26]At that time His voice shook the earth, but now He has promised, "Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." [27]The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

[28]Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, [29]for our "God is a consuming fire."

GOSPEL READING **Luke 13:22-30**

[22]Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as He made His way to Jerusalem. [23]Someone asked Him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" He said to them, [24]"Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. [25]Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Sir, open the door for us.'

"But He will answer, 'I don't know you or where you come from.'

[26]"Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with You, and You taught in our streets.' [27]"But He will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from Me, all you evildoers!' [28]"There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out. [29]People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. [30]Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last."

KIDS' TIME *DCE Liz Peters*

MESSAGE **"Mountaintops"** *Pastor Doug Slavens*

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

PRAYER OF DEDICATION | PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

CANDIDATES PROFESS THEIR FAITH

COMMITMENT & PRAYER | THE CONFIRMATION BLESSING

WE SHARE THE LORD'S SUPPER

Because Holy Communion is an expression of our oneness in faith, and in keeping with the concern expressed in God's Word (especially 1 Cor. 10 & 11) that each person who receives communion would understand that he/she is receiving Jesus' very Body and Blood, we request that each person desiring to receive the Lord's Supper examine himself on the basis of these points of faith:

I believe that…

- *Jesus Christ is true God and true Man. He is my Lord and Savior from sin.*
- *I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness, given only through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*
- *Jesus Christ is really present in this Sacrament. With the bread and wine of Holy Communion I also receive Jesus' true Body and Blood.*
- *This Sacrament brings to me the assurance of forgiveness through Jesus. I recognize that as a forgiven child of God in Christ, my life is made new. I intend to trust Him and His Word, and to follow His ways in all things.*

PREPARATION | COMMUNION PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION | SHARING OF PEACE

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

WE SING **"Graves Into Gardens"**
"Great Are You Lord"

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYERS

CLOSING BLESSING

WE SING **"Praise You Anywhere"**

OUR OFFERINGS

All that we have and all that we are, belong to the Lord. He fills us with what is good! We pray: "Fill us, Lord, to overflowing, that others may receive blessed through the blessings we ourselves have received from You."

You can give online **memoriallutheran.net** or drop in the offering boxes located throughout the worship center.