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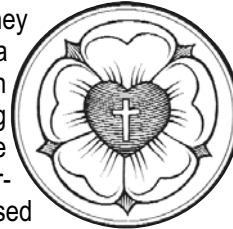
Pentecost/Confirmation

23 May 2010

8 & 10:30 a.m.

*"... for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go ..."*

The disciples faced a daunting task: Jesus had told them to "go and make disciples of all nations." They surely wondered how they could ever do such a thing! At the time of the Reformation, Martin Luther faced the daunting task of simply asking Christians to return to the word of God — we know that he often felt inadequate. So Joshua surely felt inadequate and overwhelmed at the death of Moses and as the mantle of leadership over Israel was passed to him. Yet those men before us lived under God's promises. And God teaches us to live thus, too. Be blessed this morning as Pastor preaches on **JOSHUA 1:1-9** on the theme: **"I PROMISE!"** †



- † Pre-Service Music
- † The Ringing of the Bells & Lighting of the Candles
- † Pastoral Welcome & Announcements
- † The Call to Worship

**WELCOME, GUESTS!** We are delighted to have you

join us for worship this morning. Please avail yourself of the chance to "sign in" on our attendance pad. The people around you, and Pastor, look forward to meeting you! Please come worship with us again — and often!

- P** *"And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matt. 28:20) So Jesus had told the disciples at His ascension.*
- C** **But they must have wondered how they could ever make salvation known to the whole world.**
- P** *Our fears hold us back and sometimes keep us from lives of service. Painfully aware of our inadequacies and of our failures, we wonder how we can ever serve God.*
- C** **And then we are kept from the things — and the gifts! — of God.**
- P** *But God, by His grace, with His promises, comes to us as He came to His people of old. He gives us faith and keeps us in faith.*
- C** **May the Lord continue His work in us by His Word and Sacraments!**

We are:

*"A Family of God's People Dedicated to Bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to Everyone!"*

**OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:** Sunday School & Bible Classes: **Sundays, 9:10 a.m.**  
**DIVINE WORSHIP: Sundays, 8 & 10:30 a.m.**

Many other worship, Bible study, and fellowship opportunities.

**Worship Services BROADCAST LIVE: Sundays, 10:30 a.m. on Radio KYMO FM 105.3**  
**THE LUTHERAN HOUR — Sundays, 8:00 a.m. on Radio KSIM AM 1400**

✠ **The Hymn** — “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying” — LSB 826

✠ **The Divine Service, Setting Three** — LSB 184 ✠

✠ **The Invocation, Confession, and Absolution** — LSB 184

**PLEASE NOTE:** Because of the Rite of Confirmation at the **10:30A Service**, the parts marked with an asterisk (\*) will be omitted from the 10:30A Service.

✠ **The Introit** — (Ps. 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text)

**P** *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,*  
**C** **and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.**

**P** *O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom have You made them all;*  
**C** **the earth is full of Your creatures.**

**P** *These all look to You,*      **C** **to give them their food in due season.**

**P** *When You give it to them, they gather it up;*  
**C** **when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.**

**P** *When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,*  
**C** **and You renew the face of the ground.**

**ALLL** **GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE ✠ SON AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT, AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN.**

**P** *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,*  
**C** **and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.** (Please remain standing.)

✠\* **The Gloria Patri, Kyrie, and Gloria in Excelsis** — LSB 186-189


✠ **The Salutation and Collect of the Day** — LSB 189

**ALLL** (spoken) **O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (sing) Amen.** (Here all may be seated.)

✠ **The Old Testament Reading** — **Genesis 11:1-9** — *Man’s sinful pride builds the Tower of Babel, and God confuses speech.*

<sup>1</sup> Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup> And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup> And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup> Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” <sup>5</sup> And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, “**Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.** <sup>7</sup> Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” <sup>8</sup> So

the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup> Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth. And from there the Lord dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

**P** *This is the Word of the Lord.*  **C** **Thanks be to God!**

†\* **The Gradual**

**P** *I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh,*

**C** **and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,**

**P** *with the heart one believes and is justified,*

**C** **and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.** (Acts 2:17b; Rom. 10:10)

†\* **The Second Reading — Acts 2:1–21** — *The outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the preaching of Christ.*

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost arrived, [the disciples] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.


<sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does

this mean?” <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “*Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.* <sup>15</sup> *For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.* <sup>16</sup> *But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:*

<sup>17</sup> *‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; <sup>18</sup> even on My male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.*

<sup>19</sup> *“And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup> the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”*

**P** *This is the Word of the Lord.*  **C** **Thanks be to God!**

†\* **The Alleluia and Verse** (At Pastor’s invitation, please stand.)

**P** *Alleluia. Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.* (Liturgical Text)


**A L L** (sing) **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

✝ **The Holy Gospel — John 14:23–31** — *Jesus answering the question, “How is it that You will manifest Yourself to us, and not to the world?”*

**P** *The holy Gospel written in the Gospel according to St. John, the 14<sup>th</sup> Chapter:*

**C** (sing) **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<p><sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love Me does not keep My words. And the word that you hear is not Mine but the Father’s Who sent Me.</p> <p><sup>25</sup> “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you.</p>	<p>Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard Me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved Me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. <sup>30</sup> I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on Me, <sup>31</sup> but I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.”</p>
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**P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.* 

**C** (sing) **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

✝\* **The Creed — The Nicene Creed — LSB 191**

✝ **The Hymn of the Day** — “Children of the Heav’nly Father” — LSB 725

✝ **The Sermon** — Text: JOSHUA 1:1-9      Theme: “I PROMISE!”

✝\* **The Offertory** — LSB 192-193

✝ **The Offering** — DURING THE OFFERING, WE INVITE ALL OUR WORSHIPERS TO PLEASE PASS AND AFFIX THEIR NAMES TO THE ATTENDANCE PAD (located at the center aisle end of each pew), passing it down the pew for others to sign, and then returning it to the center aisle end again. Be sure to note those who are worshiping with you and greet them in the Lord! **Those who will attend the Lord’s Supper at this worship service are invited to please mark the appropriate column/space for that.** Visitors, we especially delight in your presence with us here — if you will kindly include your full mailing address, Pastor will send you a personal note. Do you desire a pastoral visit? Kindly check the appropriate column and include your telephone number, and Pastor will contact you. Members, please use this as a way to update your mailing address, telephone number, and/or e-mail address. Thanks to all for their help and cooperation!

✝ **The Offering Hymn** (stand to sing) — “I am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus” — LSB 729:1, 4, 6

1. I AM TRUSTING THEE, LORD JESUS,  
TRUSTING ONLY THEE;  
TRUSTING THEE FOR FULL SALVATION,  
GREAT AND FREE.

4. I AM TRUSTING THEE TO GUIDE ME;  
THOU ALONE SHALT LEAD,  
EV’RY DAY AND HOUR SUPPLYING  
ALL MY NEED.

6. I AM TRUSTING THEE, LORD JESUS; NEVER LET ME FALL.

I AM TRUSTING THEE FOREVER AND FOR ALL. ( 8:00A - Please remain standing.)  
(10:30A - All may be seated.)

✝ **The Rite of Confirmation** (NOTE: The Rite of Confirmation is printed in the Hymnal, p. 272ff.)



✠ **The Communion Distribution** — Both the individual cups and the common cup are offered to our communicants. One of our elders will distribute the bread; he will be followed by another elder with the individual cups; those who desire the common cup may simply let the elder with the individual cups pass by, and Pastor will follow with the chalice.

**OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE** is that we ordinarily offer the Lord's Supper only to those who are communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of congregations which are part of a church body which is in altar & pulpit fellowship with the LCMS. Scripture teaches that Holy Communion is to be a confession of a common faith (1 Cor. 10:17; Acts 2:42) and that those who are unprepared may do themselves spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:23-32). We do not thereby presume to question another's faith in Christ, but hold this historic position out of love for God's Word and in care for souls. Inviting all Christians to Communion would imply a oneness which does not yet exist but for which we must all pray. Even as we try to respect the practices of other Christian denominations, so we ask others to please respect our practice. If there are some whom we do not commune who would like to come forward, they may do, crossing their arms over their chests — then the elders who distribute Communion will pass them by, but our Pastor will speak a blessing over those persons. Any who would like to discuss this practice at more length may make an appointment with our pastor to do so. ✠



✠ **The Distribution Hymns** — Some or all of the hymns will be sung as time and the number of communicants present permit.

- ✠ **HYMN:** "Let Me Be Thine Forever" — LSB 689
- ✠ **HYMN:** "Wide Open Stand the Gates" — LSB 639
- ✠ **HYMN:** "Thy Body, Giv'n for Me, O Savior" — LSB 619

✠ **The Post-Communion Service** (All please stand to sing . . .)  
 ("AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING" - LSB 633:8)  
 8. **FATHER, WHO THE CROWN SHALL GIVE, SAVIOR, BY WHOSE DEATH WE LIVE, SPIRIT, GUIDE THROUGH ALL OUR DAYS: THREE IN ONE, YOUR NAME WE PRAISE. ALLELUIA!** (Please remain standing.)

- ✠ **The Post-Communion Collect** (Spoken by Pastor.)
- ✠ **The Benediction**
- ✠ **The Sending Hymn** — "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" — LSB 643
- ✠ **The Postlude/Recessional**

S **Vivit!** S  
 (He lives!)

## The Confirmation Class

All three confirmands are the children of **Gregory Roy and Jennifer Lee (nee Langton) Birk**. **Caleb Gregory Birk** was born 29 December 1995. He was born again in the washing of Holy Baptism on 28 January 1996, Pastor Robert L. Kriete officiating. His baptismal sponsors are: Daryl Birk and Cindy Mueller. Caleb has chosen as his confirmation verse: **Psalm 119:105** — "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Caleb also chose as a hymn for this morning's worship: "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" — LSB 633

**Rachel LeeAnn Birk** was born 29 December 1995. She was born again in the washing of Holy Baptism on 28 January 1996, Pastor Robert L. Kriete officiating. Her baptismal sponsors are: Jennifer Birk-Cook and (Rev.) Jim Mueller. Rachel has chosen as her confirmation verse: **Hebrews 11:1** — *“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”* Rachel also chose as a hymn for this morning’s worship: “Children of the Heavenly Father” — **LSB 725**

**Aaron Michael Birk** was born 7 September 1997. He was born again in the washing of Holy Baptism on 21 September 1997, Pastor Robert L. Kriete officiating. His baptismal sponsors are: Stan Cook and Sharon Collins. Aaron has chosen as his confirmation verse: **John 6:47** — *“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.”* Aaron also chose as a hymn for this morning’s worship: “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling” — **LSB 826**

**Text: Joshua 1:1-9      Theme: “I Promise!”**

**INTRO.:** We don’t know what tomorrow holds, . . . \_\_\_\_\_

What IS “confirmation?” confOrmatIOn? your promises? \_\_\_\_\_

**I. Joshua’s challenge/predicament and yours:**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. \_\_\_\_\_
- D. He’d be tempted to at least two things:
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- E. The only thing that could keep him close to God . . . \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Your future and what YOU now see is largely . . . \_\_\_\_\_**

What you don’t yet see but someday might see will be . . .

- A. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. OR, \_\_\_\_\_
- C. OR, \_\_\_\_\_

**III. But, by God’s grace, you are Christians! Therefore, your strength is in . . .**

- A. God’s strength to you is shared in . . . \_\_\_\_\_
- B. God’s \_\_\_\_\_ find their “\_\_\_\_\_” in \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )
- C. And \_\_\_\_\_ NEVER \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )
- D. And the Christ who died for your sins delivers Himself to you in:
  - 1. His \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )
  - 2. His \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )
  - 3. His \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

**CONCLUDING:** We pray the Lord to bless your vows/\_\_\_\_\_ because God is \_\_\_\_\_ and will always keep His \_\_\_\_\_. ✠