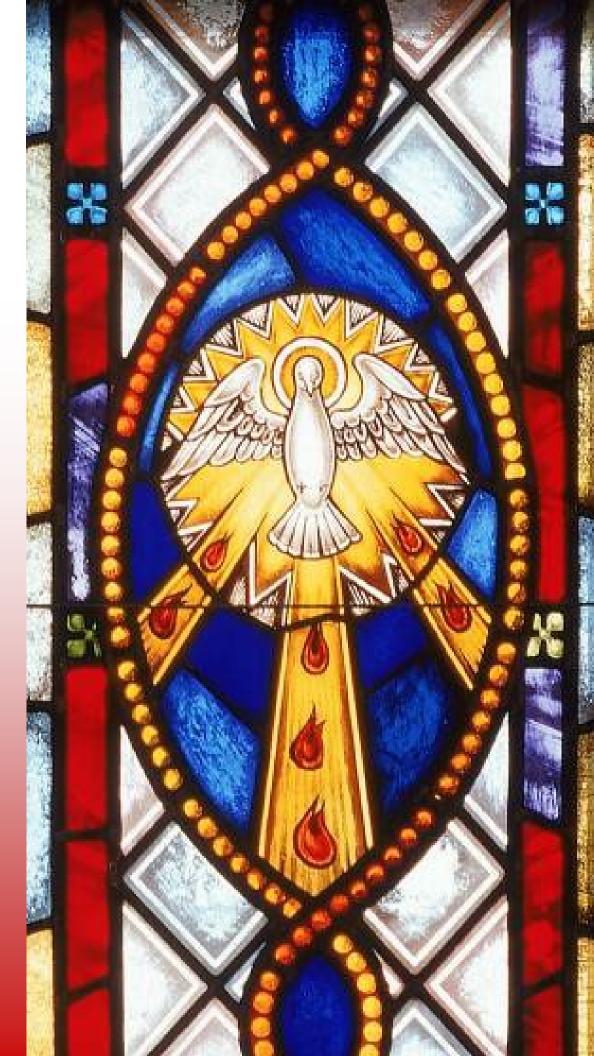


# CONFIRMATION April 24, 2021 + 2:00 pm + St. Andrews Episcopal Church + Kansas City, Missouri



# CONFIRMATION

#### with forms for Reception and the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

(凸 indicates "Stand as you are able")

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, all singing will be done by the choral musicians.

Prelude Scherzetto on "Down Ampney" Richard T. Gore

Hymnal 370

I bind unto myself today the strong Name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.

I bind this day to me for ever, by power of faith, Christ's Incarnation; his baptism in the Jordan river; his death on cross for my salvation; his bursting from the spicèd tomb; his riding up the heavenly way; his coming at the day of doom: I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the power of the great love of cherubim; the sweet "Well done" in judgment hour; the service of the seraphim; confessors' faith, apostles' word, the patriarchs' prayers, the prophets' scrolls; all good deeds done unto the Lord, and purity of virgin souls.

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the Name, the strong Name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three. Of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word: praise to the Lord of my salvation, salvation is of Christ the Lord.

## Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 413

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

### • The Collect of the Day

**BCP 254** 

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ or Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Lessons (please be seated)

First Reading 1 Kings 19:19-21

So Elijah set out, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 1, BCP 585

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \* nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \* and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \* everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; \* they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes, \* nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \* but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Reading Galatians 5:16-25

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

<sup>♣</sup>Holy Gospel Matthew 16:24-27

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. 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? "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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon (please be seated)

The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field

# Presentation and Examination of the Candidates BCP 415

The Bishop says

The Candidate(s) will now be presented.

Presenters I present these persons for Confirmation.

I present these persons to be Received into this Communion.

I present these persons who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate(s) I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate(s) I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their

life in Christ?

People We will.

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

#### BCP 416

# • The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of

bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent

and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the

dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

## Prayers for the Candidates

**BCP 305** 

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

A period of silence follows.

#### Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in *these* your *servants* the covenant you made with *them* at *their* Baptism. Send *them* forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before *them*; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

The people may be seated

#### **For Confirmation**

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N*. with your Holy Spirit; empower *him* for your service; and sustain *him* all the days of *his* life. **Amen.** 

Or this

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N*. with your heavenly grace, that she may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until she comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen**.

#### For Reception

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

*N.*, we recognize you as a member of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen**.

#### For Reaffirmation

The Bishop says

*N.*, may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. **Amen**.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over *these* your *servants*; let your Holy Spirit ever be with *them*; and so lead *them* in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that *they* may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Peace is then exchanged

Bishop The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. Instructions for receiving Holy Communion will be shared. Other announcements may be shared.

# The Holy Communion

The offering collected at today's service will go to the diocesan fund that provides scholarships for continuing education for Christian Formation workers around the diocese. Thank you for your generosity.

Choral Offertory Alleluia! Ralph Manuel

#### ☼ The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

**BCP 367** 

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord Hymnal S-130
St. Andrew's Singers

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

**BCP 364** 

A period of silence is kept.

Bishop Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died

for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### The Ministration of Communion

#### Music during Communion

#### Prayer After Communion

**BCP 366** 

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

#### The Bishop Blesses the People

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his well, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Choral Procession Go forth for God Hymnal 347

Go forth for God; go to the world in peace. Be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace, in God's good Spirit daily to increase, till in his kingdom we behold his face.

Go forth for God; go to the world in love; strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak; help the afflicted; richly from above his love supplies the grace and power we seek.

Go forth for God; go to the world in joy, to serve God's people every day and hour, and serving Christ, our every gift employ, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

The Deacon dismisses the people with the following words

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postude Toccata on "Down Ampney" Richard T. Gore

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# Those Being Confirmed

St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Bolivar

Amanda Joy Whatley Anna Catherine Williams
Matthew Aaron Whatley Jon Ryan Williams

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Kansas City

Janet Smith Sandy Rose Wallace

Timothy Smith

The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, Kansas City

Michael Ryan Barkema Kearnes Anne Kearnes

Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City

Zachary William Baker
George Billington Colburn

Jonah Christopher Fahnestock

Cynthia Pennington

Tiger Pennington

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Kansas City

Jonathan Root Michael Andy Segelquist

Grace Episcopal Church, Liberty

Porter Gideon Starek Christopher Robert Thomas

Jeffrey Hall Emily Kay Cargill-Thomas

Christ Episcopal Church, St. Joseph

Charles Isaiah Compton Zechariah Edward Compton

Those Being Received

Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City

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Sheri Dell Packett

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Kansas City

Chris Beal Jennifer Sackhoff

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Kansas City

David Michael Heiner David Joseph Kraemer

Grace Episcopal Church, Liberty

Shaunna Hall

# Those Being Reaffirmed

Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City
Richard Morse

# Those Leading Today's Liturgy

Celebrant
Bishop's Chaplain/Gospeller/Intercessor
Lectors, Altar Guild and Ushers
Choir
Organist/Choral Conductor

The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field, Bishop of West Missouri
The Ven. Bruce Bower
People of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
St. Andrew's Staff Singers
Dr. Thomas R. Vozzella

Bishop Field expresses his appreciation to the clergy, people and staff of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church for hosting today's liturgy; to the Confirmands' parishes and families for being a part of this service; and to the clergy and lay persons who helped with Confirmation preparations.



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