

Confirmation Sunday  
Sunday, April 28, 10:15am



# The Risen Savior Fuels Faithful Living

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# OPENING HYMN #283

*"Speak, O Savior, I Am Listening"*

*(Stand for final verse)*



1 Speak, O Sav - ior; I am lis - t'ning, As a ser - vant  
2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you And to lis - ten  
3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing Where I quench my  
4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let your words in



to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or  
to your voice! Let me ev - er love and fear you;  
thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;  
me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me



To your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, That each day, my  
Let your Word still be my choice. Man - y hard - ened  
On your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will  
That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly



whole life through, I may serve and fol - low  
sin - ners, Lord, Flee in ter - ror at your  
be my light Through death's cold and drear - y  
sing your praise, From my heart glad an - thems



you. Let your Word e'er be my plea - sure  
Word, But to all who feel sin's bur - den  
night; Yes, they are my sword pre - vail - ing  
raise, Till my high - est praise is giv - en



And my heart's most pre - cious trea - sure.  
You give peace and words of par - don.  
And my cup of joy un - fail - ing.  
In the end - less joy of heav - en.

## INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C: Amen.**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### **Oh Taste and See**

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -".

ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

**Acts 2:14a, 36-47**

*Christians continue to gather around God's Word*

<sup>4</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them... <sup>36</sup>“Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.” <sup>37</sup>Now when the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Gentlemen, brothers, what should we do?” <sup>38</sup>Peter answered them, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far away, as many as the Lord our God will call.” <sup>40</sup>He testified solemnly with many other words and was appealing to them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” <sup>41</sup>Those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand people were added. <sup>42</sup>They continued to hold firmly to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of the bread, and to the prayers. <sup>43</sup>Awe

came over every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup>They were selling their possessions and property and were distributing the proceeds according to what anyone needed. <sup>46</sup>Day after day, with one mind, they were devoted to meeting in the temple area, as they continued to break bread in their homes. They shared their food with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup>as they continued praising God and being viewed favorably by all the people. Day after day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

## PSALM OF THE DAY

*Psalm 67*

*Refrain*

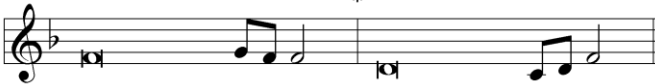


Let the peo - ple praise you, O God.



Let all the peo - ple praise you.

*Psalm tone*



May God be gracious to us and bless us\*  
and make his face shine upon us;

may your ways be known on earth,\*  
your salvation among all nations.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,\*  
for you rule the peoples justly  
and guide the nations of the earth.

*Refrain*

Then the land will yield its harvest,\*  
and God, our God, will bless us.

God will bless us,\*  
and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

**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.

*Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON

**2 Timothy 3:14-16**

*God's Word shapes and guides life*

<sup>14</sup> As for you, continue in the things you have learned and about which you have become convinced. You know from whom you learned them <sup>15</sup> and that from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, and for training in righteousness.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. Alleluia. (John 14:6)



## GOSPEL

**John 15:1-8**

*Rooted in Jesus, produce fruits of faith*

<sup>1</sup> "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. <sup>2</sup> Every branch in me that does not bear fruit, he is going to cut off. And he prunes every branch that does bear fruit, so that it will bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> "You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

<sup>4</sup> Remain in me, and I am going to remain in you. A branch cannot bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Likewise, you cannot bear fruit unless you remain in me. <sup>5</sup> "I am the Vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him is the one who bears much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not remain in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers. Such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> My Father is glorified by this: that you continue to bear much fruit and prove to be my disciples.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

### HYMN OF THE DAY #385

*"Chief of Sinners Though I Be"*



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed his  
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the  
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Com - fort to a  
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in  
 5 Strength - en me, O gra - cious Lord, By your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,  
 heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,  
 wound - ed heart: Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,  
 all to me. All my wants to him are known;  
 and your word. When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is  
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty, Love that found me—  
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to  
 All my sor - rows are his own. Safe with him in  
 Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am his and he is mine!  
 won - drous thought!— Found me when I sought him not.  
 walk with God In the way that È - noch trod.  
 earth - ly strife, I a - wait the heav'n - ly life.  
 need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

**Remain in Jesus!**

1. Pruned.
2. Productive.

**APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**OFFERING**

*At this time our offering will be brought forward and presented to the Lord. For those still desiring to give an offering, an offering plate remains near the Usher's Cart at the back of the church.*

**THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION**

**Benjamin David Colrud**

born: March 12, 2010  
baptized: June 6, 2010

Confirmation verse:

*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. (John 8:12)*

**Jordan Jerome Feit**

born: October 23, 2009  
baptized: December 13, 2009

Confirmation verse:

*"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. (Romans 12:12)*



**Blake Jeffery Hoiby**

born: August 14, 2009  
baptized: October 4, 2009

Confirmation verse:

*"How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. (Psalm 119:9)*

**Carter Russell Nechuta**

born: October 12, 2009  
baptized: November 7, 2009

Confirmation verse:

*"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. (Jeremiah 17:7)*

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

M: Lord Jesus, author and perfecter of our faith, in mercy you joined Ben, Jordan, Blake, and Carter to your Church when they were born again of water and the Spirit. In mercy you taught them your saving truth. Grant that they may offer themselves as living sacrifices to you as their spiritual act of worship. Transform them by the renewing of their minds so that they will not conform to the pattern of this world. Help all of us to live in love and harmony with one another and to work together in serving you. Keep us united in your Spirit, and bring us at last to your eternal kingdom, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

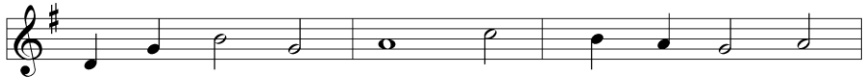
**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## HYMN #462

*"Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways"*



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To  
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your Word, And  
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A  
4 Make me to walk in your com - mands— 'Tis



keep his stat - utes still! Oh, that my God would  
make my heart sin - cere; Let sin have no do -  
strict - er watch to keep; And should I e'er for -  
a de - light - ful road— Nor let my head or



grant me grace To know and do his will!  
min - ion, Lord, But keep my con - science clear.  
get your way, Re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.  
heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace. We pray this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

## BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

# CLOSING HYMN #332

## "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"



1 Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing,  
2 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en,  
3 Go, my chil - dren, and nour - ished,  
4 I the Lord will bless and keep you



Nev - er a - lone. Wak - ing, sleep - ing,  
At peace and pure. Here you learned how  
Clos - er to me; Grow in love and  
And give you peace; I the Lord will



I am with you; You are my own.  
much I love you, What I can cure.  
love by serv - ing, Joy - ful and free.  
smile up - on you And give you peace;



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; Here you  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here his  
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior,



made you mine for - ev - er. Go, my chil - dren,  
touched him, saw his glo - ry. Go, my chil - dren,  
ten - der com - fort stilled you. Go, my chil - dren,  
Com - fort - er, and Broth - er. Go, my chil - dren;



with my bless - ing— You are my own.  
sins for - giv - en, At peace and pure.  
fed and nour - ished, Joy - ful and free.  
I will keep you And give you peace.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday (4/28)	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM 5:45-8:30 PM	Worship - Examination Reception and Fellowship between services Worship – Confirmation WELS Youth Night @ Northland Luth. HS
Wednesday (5/1)	6:30 PM	Bible Study
Friday (5/3)	11:00 AM	Devotion @ Acorn Hill
Sunday (5/5)	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship (w. Holy Communion) Sunday School / Bible Study Worship (w. Holy Communion)

**GOD’S BLESSINGS, CONFIRMANDS** Ben Colrud, Jordan Feit, Blake Hoiby, and Carter Nechuta, as you continue to grow in His word. May the Lord bless and keep YOU in His grace forever! All are invited for refreshments and fellowship between services.

**WELS YOUTH NIGHT-** at NLHS is today, April 28th from 5:45-8:30pm. This event is free, and we are inviting all area teens (WELS and their guests) from 8th to 12th grade to join us. There will be pizza, devotion and a Nerf war in the gym set up for you to enjoy. This "war" be like "paint ball" but with nerf guns. Eye protection is encouraged. Both guns and ammo will be provided.

**WORK DAY SCHEDULED** for Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00am. Work will be done removing stone from the belltower flowerbed. Please bring a shovel, gloves, and yard rake. Come as able, leave when needed. Thank you for considering your availability and ability!

**SUMMER LAWNMOWING** Thank you to the many who have committed to help mow our campus this summer! Many names help spread the workload. If you wish to help, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board. A schedule will be drafted soon.

On **Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**, Terry Landwehr will meet with volunteers at the shed after each service in order to show equipment, show property lines, and discuss any miscellaneous needs. Contact Nathan Nechuta if you are unable to attend this meeting.

**NEW BEGINNINGS BABY BOTTLE** – Ladies Aid is collecting money/loose change for New Beginnings, A Home for Mothers, sponsored by Christian Life Resources. This is a Christian-based home for single mothers which helps assist residents in becoming

responsible parents. We'll be collecting donations through May 12<sup>th</sup>. The baby bottle can be found on the Usher's Cart. See the bulletin board for additional information about NEW BEGINNINGS or contact Joy Peterson at 920-737-3147, Thank you.

**ORGANIZATION OF WELS SENIORS** The May meeting of the OWLS group will be on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at Immanuel Lutheran in Mosinee at 11:30. Pastor Ewald will be giving an interesting presentation on beekeeping and honey. Again, light snacks will be served and guests are encouraged to attend. Any questions please contact Evan or Sandy at 715-693-1337. Note: This will be the last meeting until September. Have a safe and blessed summer.

**2024 WELS NIGHT AT AMERICAN FAMILY FIELD** - There will be a Lamer's motorcoach traveling to American Family Park in Milwaukee to watch the Brewers play the Washington Nationals on Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:10 pm. The bus will pick up in Mosinee at 1:45 pm and return at approximately 2:00 am. Approximate price for transportation and game ticket is \$58-75 per person (depends on how many people go). Possible early departure so that we may tailgate. Payments are due on game day before getting on the bus. Sign up on the bulletin board by Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, to secure your spot!

**THE PASCHAL CANDLE**, the large candle standing beside the altar (and later, the baptismal font), symbolizes the living presence of Christ. 'Paschal' [pronounced: pa-skel] has to do with Passover, that event in the history of Israel when God spared the lives of those who spread the blood of a perfect lamb over the doorframes of their houses. (Exodus 14:1-30) The Bible calls Jesus our 'Passover Lamb,' slain for us. (1 Corinthians 5:7)

On the Paschal Candle are a variety of symbols: A depiction of Jesus as the Sacrificial Lamb of God; a cross, the means by which we are saved through our baptisms; and two Greek letters, an Alpha [Α] and an Omega [Ω], which remind that Jesus is the Beginning and the End. Most importantly, the Paschal Candle symbolizes the resurrection victory over the darkness of sin and death. It is lit during the Easter season and whenever there is a baptism (or funeral), serving as a visual reminder of the close connection between Jesus' resurrection and the new life he gives us at baptism.

<b>Serving You in Worship:</b>			
	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Live Streaming</b>	<b>Display</b>
<b>Today</b> <b>April 28, 8:00 AM</b>	Jim Nechuta	Tracy Pawlowski	Kayla Cihlar
<b>Today</b> <b>April 28, 10:15 AM</b>	Rod Sparby	--	Janie Dawson
<b>Next Sunday</b> <b>May 5, 8:00 AM</b>	Dan Cihlar	MaryBeth Cihlar	Kayla Cihlar
<b>Next Sunday</b> <b>May 5, 10:15 AM</b>	William Bandell		Amelia Kirchner

## NORTHLAND NOTES

**THANK YOU** to all who worked with, contributed to, and bid on the Together We Shine event! We appreciate your commitment to this ministry!

**DEBT REDUCTION:** Northland's total debt has now gone from \$3,500,000 to \$1,079,519. Can your Christ-compelled heart get us to the June 30 goal: only \$79,519 to get below \$1M! This is such an important step in moving from surviving to thriving in this ministry.

**BLOOD DRIVE!** Because our Blood Drive was canceled due to a snow day, we will be holding it on Thursday, May 2. Would you like to give the gift of life? Email Miss Stelter at [astelter@nlhs.org](mailto:astelter@nlhs.org) to participate.

**HOUSING FOR COMMUTING & FOREIGN STUDENTS, 24-25** - Would you consider hosting a commuting or a foreign student next school year? We are looking for several families who would open their hearts and homes to students who live a little too far away to travel each day or a student far from home. The bonus is that we are able to share Jesus with these students. You would receive a stipend for the student's room and board, as well as new experiences, warm memories, and often lifetime friendships. Call or email if you are interested in this unique opportunity, 715-359-3400 or [nlhsoffice@nlhs.org](mailto:nlhsoffice@nlhs.org).

**WHAT? WILDCAT OPEN?** You bet! August 10, 2024 Pencil it on your calendars now, and watch for registration information coming soon.