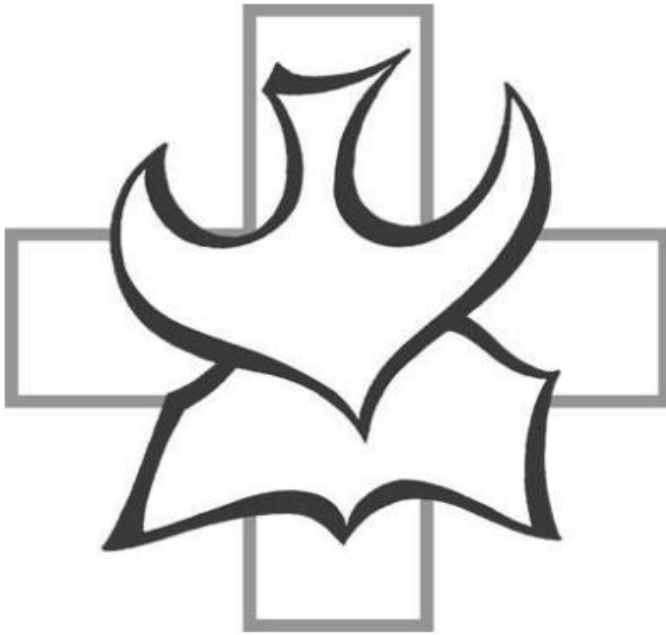


Confirmation Sunday - Examination  
Sunday, April 28, 8:00am



# The Risen Savior Fuels Faithful Living

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## OPENING HYMN #282

*"Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"*

*(Stand for final verse)*



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through your  
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants  
3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the



Word to me draw near. Let me your Word e'er pure re -  
heal - ing from my sin. Your Word has pow'r to guide and  
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or



tain; Let me your child and heir re - main.  
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.  
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

## 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 e - ter - 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.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six lines of music. The first line begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of the sixth line.

## 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 musical score for 'Amen' is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a single line of music. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.



O my people, hear my teaching;\*  
listen to the words of my mouth.

I will utter things from of old,\*  
what we have heard and what our fathers have told us.

We will not hide them from our children;\*  
we will tell the next generation  
the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD.

**Refrain**

The LORD decreed statutes for Jacob\*  
and established the law in Israel,  
so the next generation would know them,\*  
and they in turn would tell their children.

Then they would put their trust in God\*  
and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.

**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**

*Continue growing in what you have learned*

<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)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that  
 Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**GOSPEL**

**John 15:1-8**

*God's Word in our ears and hearts connects us to Jesus*

<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 #509

*"How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts"*



1 How shall the young se - cure their hearts And  
2 Your Word is like a heav'n - ly light That  
3 The star - ry heav'ns your rule o - bey; The  
4 But still your law and gos - pel, Lord, Have  
5 Your Word is ev - er - last - ing truth; How



guard their lives from sin? Your Word, O Lord, the  
guides us all the day, And through the dan - gers  
earth main - tains its place; And these your ser - vants  
les - sons more di - vine; Not earth stands firm - er  
pure is ev - 'ry page! That ho - ly Book will



truth im - parts To keep the con - science clean.  
of the night A lamp to lead our way.  
night and day Your skill and pow'r ex - press.  
than your Word Nor stars so no - bly shine.  
guide our youth And well sup - port our age.

## SERMON

**John 15:1-8**

### **Remain in Jesus!**

1. Connected.
2. Nourished.

## 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.*

**EXAMINATION OF CONFIRMANDS**

**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 God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for your great goodness in bringing these sons of yours to the knowledge of your Son, Jesus Christ, and in giving them both hearts to believe and mouths to confess his saving name. Enable them to bring forth the fruits of faith and to continue steadfast and victorious until the day comes when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness, that is ours through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## 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 #514

*"Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain"*



1 Lord, help us ev - er to re - tain The Cat - e -  
2 Help us your ho - ly law to learn, To mourn our  
3 Hear us, dear Fa - ther, when we pray For need - ed  
4 Lord, when we fall or go a - stray, Ab - solve and



chism's doc - trine plain As Lu - ther taught the  
sin and from it turn In faith to you and  
help from day to day That as your chil - dren  
lift us up, we pray; And through the sac - ra -



Word of truth In sim - ple style to ten - der youth.  
to your Son And Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One.  
we may live, Whom you in bap - tism did re - ceive.  
ment in - crease Our faith till we de - part in peace.

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## 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.

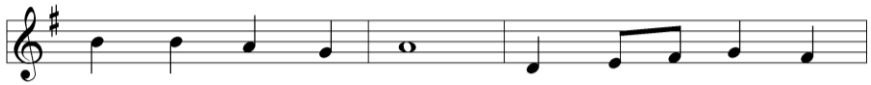


# CLOSING HYMN #504

## "Bless Our Loved Ones, Holy Father"



1 Bless our loved ones, Ho - ly Fa - ther;  
2 Je - sus, Sav - ior, let your pres - ence  
3 When in sor - row, when in dan - ger,  
4 May the joy of your sal - va - tion  
5 Ho - ly Spir - it, let your teach - ing



Hear our anx - ious prayer; By your mer - cy  
Be their light and guide; Keep, oh, keep them  
When in lone - li - ness, In your love look  
Be their strength and stay! May they love and  
Sanc - ti - fy their life; Send your grace that



keep them al - ways In your care.  
in their weak - ness At your side.  
down and com - fort Their dis - tress.  
may they praise you Day by day!  
they may con - quer In the strife.

6 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
God forever true,  
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them  
Close to you.

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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 14th at Immanuel Lutheran in Mosinee at 11:30am. 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.