

(Spoken) L: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**C: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

(Sung) *A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper frees us from the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe, forsworn to work us woe,
with guile and dreadful might is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no equal.*

(Spoken) L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

**C: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.**

(Sung) *If we in our own strength confide, our striving turns to losing;
the righteous one fights by our side, the one of God's own choosing.
You ask who this may be: Christ Jesus, it is he,
the Lord of hosts by name. No other God we claim! None else can win the battle.*

(Spoken) L: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; God speaks and the earth melts.

C: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

L: Come, behold the works of the Lord!

**C: God makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
God breaks the bow, shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.**

(Sung) *Though all the world with devils fill and threaten to devour us,
we tremble not, we trust God's will: they cannot overpower us.
Though Satan rant and rage, in fiercest war engage,
this tyrant's doomed to fail; God's judgement must prevail! One little word shall triumph.*

(Spoken) L: Be still, and know that the Lord is God!

C: God is exalted among the nations; God is exalted in the earth.

L: The Lord of hosts is with us;

C: The God of Jacob is our refuge.

(Sung) *God's Word shall stand above the pow'rs, shall end all their thanksgiving.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, for God with us is living.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; though all of these be gone,
they yet have nothing won. The kingdom's our forever!*

Gospel Reading

John 8:31-36

Reflection

Song

All Are Welcome

ELW 641 vs. 1, 3, 5

Affirmation of Baptism

Michelle Weiss- Children, Youth & Family Coordinator: The following people have been instructed in the Christian faith and desire to make public affirmation of Baptism:

Stella Brutger

Caiden Mahn

McKenna McDowell

Alyssa Streling

Profession of Faith

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

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

**C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: 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.
Amen.**

Blessing Laying on of Hands & Presentation of Stoles

(During the laying on of hands: parents and families are invited to come forward and participate. All others raise a hand in blessing.)

Stir up in *(name of student)* the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

(Congregational blessing as students move to center of sanctuary)

Prayer of Blessing

L: Let us rejoice with these sisters and brother in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world. Thanks be to God! Amen!

Offering

Thanksgiving at the Table

L: The Lord be with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

L: Holy God, Creator of all that exists,

L: The universe declares your praise:

L: within each cell; with every breath.

L: Generations bless your faithfulness:

L: across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

L: We give you thanks for your dear Son:

L: who is near to those who suffer;

L: among the poor;

L: And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

C: you alone are holy, you alone are God.

C: beyond the stars; beneath the sea;

C: We praise you, O God.

C: through the water; by night and day;

C: We bless you, O God.

C: who is at the heart of human life;

C: beside the sinner;

C: who is with us now. We thank you, O God.

Communion Music *(Communion will be served at altar rail for students, parents, and family. All others are welcome to participate via walk-thru communion thereafter.)*

Closing Hymn *Rise, Shine, You People* ELW 665

Bell / Postlude

You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love and respect and God is using you to care for the world.

Ushers / Sound / Screens; Organist: RaNae Martinson; Readers / Communion: Confirmation Class

Today 9:15 / 9:30	Confirmation Pictures, sanctuary / Education & Fellowship Hour
10:30 am	Communion Worship, Reformation Sunday with Affirmation of Baptism
11:30 am	Fellowship Hall Reserved: Mahn Family
Wed. 6 / 6:30 pm	Wed. Meal / Halloween Party & Trunk or Treat in the parking lot
Sun. 9:15 am	Education & Fellowship / 10:30 am Worship. All Saints Sunday

Farwell Sunday for Pastor Mark will be Nov. 9, cake & coffee at 9:30 am; Worship at 10:30 am; and a Nordland Community Dinner at 11:30 am. If you have a picture to add to a slide presentation of Pastor Mark's time at Nordland please email it to the church office at nordland@tds.net

Trunk or Treat at Nordland on Wed. Oct. 29, 6/ 6:30 Spooky Meal/ Activities. We need volunteers to do participate in the trunk or treat, outside or you can use a table and be indoors. Contact Michelle to help!

The youth are planning a Mission Trip to Seattle Washington next summer. To help keep cost down they are looking help you out. If it's fall clean up or another task, the youth are here to help. In return for their help a donation toward their mission trip would be greatly appreciated. Contact Michelle 320-260-4028 or office.

We are having a Krumkaka baking day on Sat., Nov. 15, 9 am. The Christmas program this year has a Scandinavian theme. So, we would like to give these treats out after the program. If you have krumkake irons we could borrow? Please let Michelle W., or Becky T. know, thank you for all your help and support. And, we need cookies for the shut in if you would want to bring for that on November 15 also.

West Central Singers presents 'A Bit of Norway' on Sat., Nov. 1, 4 pm at First Lutheran Norway Lake, New London and Nov. 2, 4 pm at Calvary Lutheran Church, Willmar. Director Naomi Powers-Baker, Accompanist Kari Stadem, and Special Guest Fiddlers from Sunburg Community Music. Tickets at the door, Adults \$10.