Faith Confirmation Class of 2026

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Special Music: Love Divine All Loves Excelling arranged by Mark Edwards, The Greatest Commandment by Pepper Choplin

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We lift up in prayer...

- Gloria Schultz
- Roger & Bev Valentine
- Peggy Morrison
- Michael "Mic" Mickelson
- Phyllis Jacobson
- Darlene Lind
- Joyce Paulson
- Loni Bultman
- Judy Wohlin
- Bev Bahr
- Mylo Gjerde
- Laurie Brothen, mother of Joy White
- Don Bloomquist, father of Joy White
- Katherine Ragan and family on the death of her cousin, Maggie Troxel

OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: Faith Quilters

Nursery care is available. Our nursery is staffed on Sundays from 8:30am to 11:00am and on Wednesdays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. **For our nursing mothers**, there is a private nursing room in the back of the nursery available for use.

Interested in becoming a member here at Faith Lutheran Church? Please connect with a staff member and our main office will reach out to you to answer any questions and get you any information needed!

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

Faith Lutheran Church of Spicer, Minnesota is delighted to have you join us for today's worship service. We are a congregation of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA. Faith Lutheran seeks to live out this mission:

God gathers us as a family of Faith to nurture, inspire, and share the love of Jesus with all people

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Reformation Sunday

Affirmation of Baptism Celebration

Faith Lutheran Church
Spicer, Minnesota
October 25th, 2026



"I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Mark 1:8

A Service of Holy Communion with "Affirmation of Baptism"

** Please Stand As You Are Able*

P: Pastor *Y: Youth* ***C: Congregation***

WELCOME

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**
P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **C: Amen.**

P: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

[Silence for reflection and self-examination.]

P: Compassionate God, **C: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

P: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ✠ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* ELW 504

***GREETING**
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**
P: Almighty God, gracious Lord, **C: we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC *Love Divine All Loves Excelling* Faith Chancel Choir

1ST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34
PSALM (Read responsively): Psalm 46
2ND READING: Romans 3:19-28

***GOSPEL READING:** John 8:31-36
P: The holy gospel according to John. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**
P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* ELW 596

Presentation of the 2026 Confirmands

Council President: These persons have been instructed in the Christian Faith and desire to make public affirmation of their Baptism.

[Confirmands, please stand as your name is read]

P: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **C: Amen.**

P: Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises? Y: We do.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?
Y: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
Y: 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 into hell. 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? Y: 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.

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear his word and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?
Y: We do and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: People of God, do you promise to support these Confirmands and pray for them in their life in Christ.
C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**
P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.
C: And also with you.

OFFERING - *To give online, scan QR Code:*

OFFERING SPECIAL MUSIC
The Greatest Commandment Faith Chancel Choir

OFFERING PRAYER
P: God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. **C: Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING
P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.** P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.** P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER
C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE
Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!
(Gluten free wafers & grape juice are available - simply ask your server)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
P: Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. **C: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING
P: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus. **C: Amen.** P: The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit. **C: Amen.** P:The God of grace ✠ bless you now and forever. **C: Amen**

SENDING SONG *Rise, Shine, You People* ELW 665

DISMISSAL
P: Go out in joy! Be led forth in peace! **C: Thanks be to God!**