

# *Salem United Church of Christ*

*“We are God’s children called to seek, share, teach,  
and continue to experience the Word of God.”*

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## **PALM / CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**

**April 14, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.**

### *Today’s Worship Leaders:*

**John Mindrup, Assistant Pastor & Dawn Reinhardt, Music Director**

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### **Ringing of the Bell**

**Prelude / Lighting of the Candles**      **“A Festal Fanfare”**

### **Greeting / Life & Mission of Salem**

*Blue prayer cards are located in the pew racks for you to write and share your prayer concerns. These prayer cards will be collected during the first hymn of the service by the ushers.*

### **+Call to Worship**

The distant cries of hosannas are in our ears today; how quickly they faded on the week of Your passion. We are Your people; we praise You! You are Jesus, King of Kings, Lord of Lords. Your praise is ever upon our hearts.

**As we rise this morning, we rise in You, most bountiful Lord. We embrace the day, knowing that You make a way for us! Higher than a place of ease, You put us into the fray of Your kingdom purpose! We are taken by Your hope in us. Thanks be to our great God!**

We listen in the quiet for the wonder of Your Word upon our hearts. We trust in the commotion of our day for Your gentle peace. We open our minds to their full, and yet we cannot grasp the grandeur of You, most holy God!

**Eternity is forever, yet we question if forever will be long enough to speak of Your kindness, to recount Your blessings upon us, to thank You for the tender mercy that flows from the wounds You took for us. The Palm Sunday praises were short lived, yet You give us hearts to lift You high forever! Great is our Lord!**

**+Opening Prayer**

**+Processional Hymn**      *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”*      248

**+Passing of the Peace**

**Time with Children**

**The Rite of Confirmation**      (See Insert)

**Old Testament Reading**      Isaiah 50:4-9a

**Special Music**      *“Christ in Me”*      Tori Lynn  
Percussion – Donal Reagan

**Gospel Reading**      Luke 19:28-40

**Message**      *“Celebrating Jesus”*

**+The Apostles’ Creed (Unison)**      (Inside cover of the Hymnal)

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God**

**Invitation & Offertory**      *“The Holy City”*      Joye Brase

**+Doxology**      *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.*

**+Prayer of Dedication**

**+Closing Hymn**      *“All Glory, Laud and Honor”*      249

**+The Lord’s Prayer (Unison)**      (Please Hold Hands)

**+Benediction**

**+Response**

**“God Be with You ‘Til We Meet Again”**

God be with you ‘til we meet again,  
If life’s trials should confound you,  
God will put His arms around you,  
God be with you ‘til we meet again.

**+Postlude**

*The flowers worn by the Confirmands  
are in loving memory of Carol Dauderman  
given by Bob Dauderman.*

*The altar flowers are in honor of Riley  
Mansholt’s confirmation on her 14<sup>th</sup> birthday .*

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+ Indicates where you may stand, if able; **bold print** indicates where the congregation reads.

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Large print song sheets are available upon request. Please see an usher.

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**TODAY’S MINISTRY**

**Acolytes:** Adam Eyman, Cassidy Eyman

**Greeter:** Kathy Porter

**Liturgist:** Laura Muench

**Sound:** Ron Mindrup

**Ushers:** Lewis & Lorene Knackstedt, Steve Stille, Sue Liefer, Ken Gehrig



# *The Rite of Confirmation*

Sunday, April 14, 2019

## Invitation

## Presentation of the Candidates

## Questions for the Candidates

## +Affirming Baptism

## +Congregational Prayer (Unison)

Almighty God, who in baptism received these, Your servants, into the church; forgave their sins; promised them eternal life; increased in them the gifts of Your Holy Spirit. Grant: love for others, joy in serving You, peace in disagreement, patience in serving, kindness toward all people, goodness in evil times, faithfulness in temptation, gentleness in the face of opposition, and self-control in all things. Thereby strengthen them for their ministry in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

## Act of Confirmation

*All family members, godparents, and mentors are invited to come up and lay hands on their Confirmand.*

## Prayer of Confirmation

## Address

## Question about Participation

## Welcome (Unison)

We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. May the Holy Spirit fill us with power and all understanding as we grow together as the witnesses of our Risen Savior.

## Greeting of Christian Love

## Confirmation Hymn *"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"*

## Sharing of Confirmands' Gifts

## Prayer of Blessing



"Father,  
into your hands  
I commend my spirit."

Luke 23:46, NRSV

# *About the Confirmands*

**Jordan Randall Briggs** is the son of Carolyn & Mike Hackethal and Josh Briggs. He has an older sister, Catlyn, and a younger sister, Morgan. His grandparents are Mark Briggs, Patti Briggs, Jackie Straube, and Jeff Straube. His confirmation mentor is Roger Reilson. Jordan's hobbies include baseball, football, history, and video games.

**Caitlyn Nicole Burton** is the daughter of Chad & Tammy Burton. She has a younger brother, Jimmy. Her grandparents are Jim Burton and Marilyn & Howard Eyman. Her godparents are Kim Burton and Troy Burton. Her confirmation mentor is Faye Brown. Caitlyn's hobbies include soccer, reading, art, and spending time outdoors.

**Blake Ryan Ernst** is the son of Chad & Richelle Ernst. Blake has two older sisters, Camie and Taylor. His grandparents are Wayne & Colette Schuetz and the late Kenneth & Judith Ernst. His godparents are Mathew Dale, Aaron Klenke, and Lisa Schuetz. His confirmation mentors are Lawrence Henschen and Lewis Knackstedt. Blake's hobbies include splitting and stacking wood, bowling and running. He likes to work and stay busy.

**Heath Michael Follwell** is the son of Jennifer Follwell and the late Michael Follwell. He has an older sister Brianna. His grandparents are Mary & Oswald Follwell, Carl Loyet, the late Kathie (Hosto) Loyet and the late Larry Hosto, His godparents are Douglas & Sue Follwell, Gail & John VanWinkle, and Yvonne Pirtle. His confirmation mentor is Donal Reagan. Heath's hobbies include band and basketball.

**Shayden Nicole Hogg** is the daughter of Shawn & Shannon Hogg. She has an older brother Syler, and a younger sister, Sayde. Her grandparents are Roger & Shirley Gall, Sue & Marty Wilson, and Stan Hogg. Her great-grandparents are the late Delmer & the late Norine Gall, the late Elmer Klenke, the late Marjorie Kline, the late Al and the late Felix Korte, the late Al & the late Georgia Hogg, and Bill & the late June Wilson. Her godparents are Shandy Klein and Shelby Bartoszkiewicz. Her confirmation mentor is Cindy Henschen. Shayden's hobbies include select soccer, track and cross country, crafts, fashionista, hanging with friends, 4-H secretary, and showing steers.

**Kylie Kendyl Ketcham** is the daughter of Kerry & Jessica Ketcham. She has a younger brother, Koy. Her grandparents are Dale & Gail Henkhaus and Kim & Joan Ketcham. Her great-grandmother is Rosemary Allen. Her confirmation mentor is Melanie Bonnell. Kylie's hobbies include softball, crafts, hanging out with friends, family activities, and showing sheep.

**Riley Anne Mansholt** is the daughter of Rhet & Krista Mansholt. She has a younger brother, Brandt. Her grandparents are Bill & Carol Reckman and Rolland & Raenae Mansholt. Her godparents are Scott Giesekeing and Ronna Renken. Her confirmation mentor is Nancy Heidbrink. Riley's hobbies include cheer and swimming.

**Destiny Elizabeth Odle** is the daughter of Christie Hampton and Edgar Odle. She has two older brothers, Christopher and Keith. Her grandparents are Betty & Phil Imboden. Her godparents are Vickie Johnson, Dearyle Walter, and Jennifer Yearian. Her confirmation mentor is Dawn Reinhardt. Destiny's hobbies include singing, dancing, drawing, painting, writing poetry, and playing the ukulele.

**Travis Christopher Porter** is the son of Amanda Porter and Chris (Kristal) Edwards. His siblings are Logan Edwards, Chanel Edwards, and Aiden Minar. His grandparents are Robin Porter and William & Jean Edwards. His great-grandparents are Jean & Allen Porter. His godparents are Rick & Kathy Porter. His confirmation mentor is Kathy Porter. Travis' hobbies include football and video games.

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*Kylie Ketcham*

*Caitlyn Burton*

*Riley Mansholt*

*Blake Ernst*

*Destiny Odle*

*Heath Follwell*

*Travis Porter*

*Shayden Hogg*

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		6:30 p.m.	Last Supper Rehearsal with Chancel Choir
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### **MISSION OPPORTUNITY**

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# *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry*

*I was there to hear your boring cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
I'll be there in case you wander off and find where demons dwell.*

*When you found the wonder of the Word,  
I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living God,  
to whom you now belong.  
Should you find someone to share your time and  
you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.*

*In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night,  
complete what I've begun.*

*When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.*

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