

Upper St. Croix Parish UMC
Grantsburg: Central, Atlas, St. Croix Falls
“Confirmation Service”

This bulletin is for both in-church and drive-in service (outdoor).

*please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE GREETINGS

The passing of the Peace is a time to briefly greet your family members with the peace of Christ. “Peace be with You!”

We Celebrate New Life in Christ

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Responsive

Brothers and sisters, from time to time we experience a new beginning in our faith journey, when the Holy Spirit breaks into our lives to inspire us, to lead us, and to deepen our commitment to Christ.

Today, we praise the Lord for what has been happening in the confirmands’ lives.

We rejoice in their experiences of the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

In the Love of Christ we encourage the confirmands, and pray that God will continue to bless them. To God’s name be glory and praise. Hallelujah! Amen!

***OPENING HYMN** *Jesus Calls Us* **UMH 398 (vs. 1 & 5)**

OPENING PRAYER Unison

O God, like a good shepherd searching for a lost lamb, like a woman looking for a lost coin, like a father redeeming his son, your love is rich beyond our deserving. You never forsake us, no matter how far we move from you. We thank you for all you have done for us. Strengthen us by the Holy Spirit, that we may grow in faith and increase in love for you. May our service and witness bring you honor and glory; in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Proclamation of God’s Word

***THE GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 1:9-11

9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 11 And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

Matthew 17:1-8

17 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. 3 Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” 5 While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” 8 And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Help Us Accept Each Other

UMH 560 (vs. 1 & 4)

SERMON “You are the Children of God” Pastor Jenny Lee

(If you are not able to join us for Service, one of your family members may read the written sermon.)

We Respond to God’s Word

RESPONDING PRAYER

With God’s help, we promise to commit to the Holy Church as the children of God in the life of praise and thanksgiving, and in the faithful use of the means of grace that God has given us.

By the divine grace, we promise to join the church ministries in the life of learning, in the nurturing of God’s people, and in the seeking of that oneness in Christ. Amen.

BIBLE PRESENTATION (A)

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

(See Insert)

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Unison

Loving God, sometimes we are like little children who resent having to share their toys. In this mood we are as grudging with our offerings as we are with paying taxes. Help us to see your intention that we be faithful stewards of all you entrust to us. As we “contribute to the needs of the saints,” may we hold one another accountable for the wise use of your resources so all we give and all we retain may be used according to your purpose. Amen.

We Go Forth to Love God and Serve One Another

*HYMN *O Jesus, I Have Promised* UMH 396 (vs. 1 & 4)

*BENEDICTION Pastor Jenny Lee

POSTLUDE

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ONE Parish THREE Churches:
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September 13th, 2020
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



The United Methodist Church
8:15 am: In-Door Service at Central-Grantsburg
10:00 am: Drive -In-Service at Atlas Park

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