

Reformation Sunday  
October 31, 2021

† Confirmation †  
The Affirmation of Baptism  
for  
Karl Krueger



# ✝ Gathering

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are  
clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your Spirit moved over the waters and by your  
Word you created the world, calling forth life in  
which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered  
Noah and his family. Through the sea you led  
your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and  
anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your  
Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of  
all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains  
life, and above all we praise you for the gift of

new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Gathering Song**

GOD IS HERE ELW 526

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Word

### **Karl's Bible Verse**

HEBREWS 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day** FAITH OF OUR FATHERS ELW 812

# **Affirmation of Baptism**

## **Presentation**

*Parents and Sponsors:* I present Karl, who desires to make public affirmation of his baptism.

## **Karl's Faith Statement**

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for our brother Karl, who you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called him to yourself, enlightened him with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished him in the community of faith. Uphold your servant Karl in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite his heart with all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

**Amen.**

## **Profession of Faith**

*The assembly may stand and join in the responses.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*All Respond:* **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*All Respond:* **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*All Respond:* **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

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

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

*Congregation may be seated.*

## **Affirmation in the Presence of the Assembly**

Karl, 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 the word of God 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?

*If so please respond:* I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support our brother Karl and pray for him in his life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

*Karl kneels at the altar; his parents and sponsor place their hands on him.*

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in Karl 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.**

*Karl stands and faces the assembly.*

Let us rejoice with Karl, our brother in Christ.

**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.**

**Hymn**

BAPTIZED IN WATER ELW 456

*Please stand.*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

...Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. **Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please wave a sign of peace to your brothers and sisters in Christ.*

*Please be seated.*

Offering Prayer

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## Meal

### **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,



through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest,  
hosanna in the highest.**

Holy One, the beginning and the end,  
the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,  
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready.

*Karl, his family and sponsors will come to the altar first, followed by the congregation.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

Lord of life,  
in the gift of your body and blood  
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of  
salvation. Send us forth into the world with  
shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance  
of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

# ✝ Sending

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and  
mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor  
and ✝ give you peace. **Amen.**

## Chimes of Blessing

**Sending Hymn** A MIGHTY FORTRESS ELW 504

## Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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