

May 2, 2021

Confirmation Sunday

9:30 am

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Here in this place of worship, with the congregation of the faithful,

**P: we lay down our fears, to boldly sing God's praise.**

L: Here in the vineyard of the Lord, with our sisters and brothers in Christ,

**P: grandparents tell stories of faith to little ones sitting on their laps.**

L: Here where God waits to serve us at the Table:

**P: filled with love, we will run to serve others. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #707**

*"Hymn of Promise"*

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Gracious God, who created us in God's own image, we are grateful for all that you have done for us, for all that you are doing in us, and for all that you will do through us. Open our eyes to see your presence among us, moving in powerful ways at all times and in all places. Open our ears to hear familiar words in new ways—ways that will change us and challenge us to become the people you created us to be. Grant us the power and the courage to come out of the darkness and into the light of Jesus Christ that we may serve you by serving others. We love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*"I Am a Child of God"*

Maria Forde

**CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Father of Compassion: called to be one body, we fragment ourselves into a million selfish pieces; your children of love, we insist on the right to despise our sisters and brothers; though your perfect love was broken for us, we are afraid to give of ourselves to the world. Abide in us, dear Lord. Forgive us of our sins, so we may live boldly, love fearlessly, and proclaim unceasingly that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

\*Gloria Patri

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** Please sing *"Jesus Loves the Little Children"* as the children come and go.)

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalms 22:25-31

**SERMON**

*Confirming Our Faith*

**HYMN #572**

*"Pass it On"*

**THE OFFERING**

Offertory

\*Give Thanks

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**From you comes every gift we need, every blessing we have. May we not hoard them for ourselves, but offer them back to you, that the poor might be fed, the lonely befriended, and the despairing be filled with hope. This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS:** John Ashton, Trip Postmus, Herby Nielsen, Tim Danielson, Sandy Triggs, Michael Trembly, Roxie Stevens, LaVonne Kilmer, Angie Montandon, Monty Montandon, Ed Peterson, Terry Lutzow, Randy Yackle, Carol Swartz and Mona King.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (TRESPASSES)**

**THE PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES**

**THE RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**CONFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(Faith statements read at this time have been written by each confirmand and are being read by faith friends. Scripture verses read have been selected as a favorite by the student.)

**PROFESSION OF FULL MEMBERSHIP**

**THE COMMENDATION AND WELCOME**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #593**

*"Here I Am Lord"*

**\*BENEDICTION/\*POSTLUDE** (\*Please stand if able.)

**Shalom!**



## Estherville United Methodist Church

### THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday, May 2</b>	<b>Confirmation Sunday</b>
9:30am	Worship
10:30am	Fellowship/Coffee Time
11:00am	Centro De Vida Worship in Chapel
<b>Monday, May 3</b>	
9:00am	Staff Meeting
2-4pm	Disciple I Class
7:00pm	UMW and Susanna Wesley Circle
<b>Tuesday, May 4</b>	
12:00pm	Office Closed
<b>Wednesday, May 5</b>	
5:30pm	Meal for Youth
6:00pm	Youth group for 7-12 <sup>th</sup> Grades
7:00pm	Remix Contemporary Worship Service
<b>Thursday, May 6</b>	<b>National Day of Prayer</b>
9:00am	Coffee with Kevin devotional via Facebook
4-6pm	FREE Mobile Food Pantry at Good News church
<b>Friday, May 7</b>	Pastor Kevin's Day Off
12:00pm	Office Closed
<b>Sunday, May 9</b>	<b>Mother's Day, Sr. Recognition &amp; Communion Sunday</b>
9:30am	Worship
10:30am	Fellowship/Coffee Time
	Trustees
11:00am	Centro De Vida Worship in Chapel

### **SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE**

Shirley Fain and family would like to give a one-time scholarship to one of our United Methodist seniors in memory of her husband, Eldon Fain. He was a teacher at Estherville High School. The scholarship is for \$500 to Iowa Lakes Community College. If you would like to apply, please send an essay about your faith to the church office by May 5<sup>th</sup>. One recipient will be selected for the scholarship.



**Pastor Kevin Moore**  
**Confirmation Sunday**  
**Julie Montandon, Worship Leader**  
**Sunday, May 2, 2021**

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**Song Leaders:** Tom Anderson, Joan Eveleth, Amy Moore, Denny Ross  
**Acolytes:**  
**Cross Bearer:** Taye Hanby  
**Camera Operator:**  
**Choir Director:** Diane Blom  
**Worship Accompanist:** Randy Yackle  
**Praise Team Accompanist:** Randy Yackle  
**Praise Team Director:** Nancy Danielson  
**Media Specialists:** Terry & Edna Lutzow, Larinda Mueller,  
 Chet & Tara Pyawasit, & Julie Montandon

**USHERS/DOOR PERSONS:**

Captain, Jack Schoon  
 Steve Lauritsen  
 Steve Planting  
 Brian Miller  
 Cathy Miller

**OUR PRESENCE**

Membership to date	654
Sunday	69
Wednesday Remix	10
Total Worship	79
Remix Last Year	-0-
Same Sunday Last Year	10
Total Worship Last Year	10

**People Reached by Facebook:**

Wednesday Remix Service April 21 - NA  
 Sunday, April 25 - 547  
 At Home Edition Sunday School – 374 (Last Day)  
 Coffee with Kevin Thursday devotional – 548

**Financial Status:** Deposit April 26 \$1,423

**RADIO BROADCAST:** Is sponsored by Shirley Custer in honor and celebration of her daughter, Sherry Lair’s May 5<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Are sponsored by Dennis & Betty DeVary in honor and celebration of their wedding anniversary today!!

**Radio Sponsors**

Sponsors for the **radio broadcast** needed for: July 4; August 1, 8, 22 & 29; September 5, 12, 19 & 26. Call the church office to reserve your date! It is only \$65.

**Senior Sunday Graduation Recognition**

**NEXT Sunday, May 9th**

We will be honoring our high school graduates on Sunday, May 9th during worship. The UMW Scholarships will be awarded. All seniors are encouraged to wear their robes. Cake will be provided during Fellowship time in their honor. Congregants are invited to bring cards to help celebrate this milestone in their lives: Emily Bethune, Carly Grange, Alex Jensen, Bryan Peterson, and Emma Ross.

**Youth Jewelry Fundraiser**

The Wednesday night youth group are having a fundraiser to help with their events and outing during the year. Amy Moore is helping them sell Park Lane Jewelry and they receive 50% back of all sales. You may go to the church Facebook page to order online, or go to [parklanejewelry.com/rep/amymoorejewels](http://parklanejewelry.com/rep/amymoorejewels), or see Amy or Julie Montandon or stop in the church office to fill out your handwritten order. There are also some books and order forms on a table in Fellowship Hall. Get your orders in right away. The deadline is May 5<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for helping our youth!!

**OFFERING PLATES**

We will be placing offering plates by each door in the sanctuary now for your convenience. You may place your offering there as you come or leave. There will still be plates on the tables by the south and west entrance doors. At this time, there will be no passing the plates in the pews.

**NEEDED FOR INGATHERING KITS**

**(Personal Dignity Kit)**

Hand towels (no kitchen towels), washcloths (no dish cloths), toothbrushes (no multipacks), shampoo 15-18 oz., deodorant 3-4 oz., 100 resealable gallon baggies. Our goal is to send 100 kits to Ingathering. We also need to send along \$200 so they can buy toothpaste and a razor for each kit. See lists on tables at each entrance.