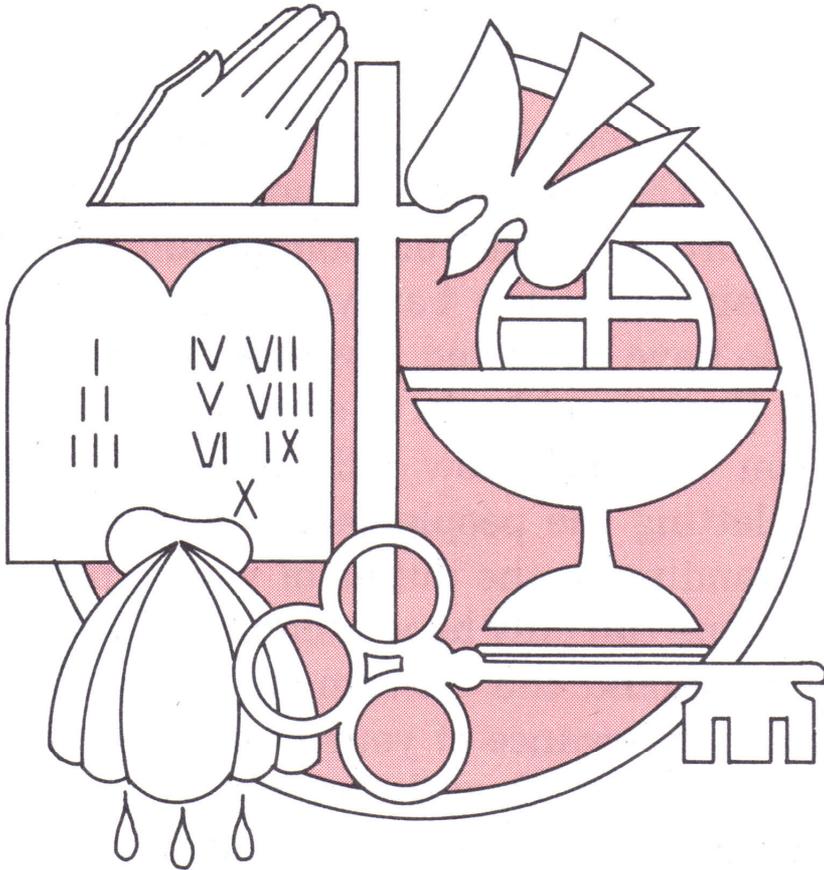


# Introducing Our Confirmands



**Sunday, May 2, 2021  
9:00 a.m.**

**Trinity Lutheran Church  
Lombard, Illinois**

**My Confirmation Verse:**

**Jeremiah 29:11**

*“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future”.*

**What my Confirmation Verse means to me:**

I’ve always been somewhat afraid of the future. I’m scared that I’m going to be unsuccessful or make bad choices. So hearing that God has plans for me comforts me a lot.

**Hymn:** LSB 547, “The Lamb”

**Bio:** I am Naomi Angela Pulli. I am the 5th child out of 6 kids, and I have 3 little nephews and one niece on the way. I came to really know God when I was 11 years old and was baptized last week.



**Naomi Pulli**

**My Confirmation Verse:**

**Philippians 4:13**

*“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me”.*

**What my Confirmation Verse means to me:**

This verse gives me encouragement and makes me feel strong through God. The verse makes me feel invincible because I have Christ on my side.

**Hymn:** LSB 849, “Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness”

**Bio:** I love my family and friends, and love doing things with them and spending time with them. I love to swim, play badminton, and paint. I also love running and participating in track. I also love bike riding with my dad and playing chess and video games with him.



**Abigail Schnittker**

**My Confirmation Verse:**

**Psalm 56:3**

*“When I am afraid, I put my trust in you”.*

**What my Confirmation Verse means to me:**

My verse means to me that even in the most difficult time, and when I am afraid, I can still trust that God will help me through it.

**Hymn:** LSB 744, “Amazing Grace”

**Bio:** I enjoy going to school at Trinity. I love doing anything with art. My favorite show series are Law and Order, SVU, and Chrisley Knows Best. My parent’s names are Richard and Dawn. My birthday is April 5, 2007. My favorite fast food restaurant is Chick-Fil-A. I think Pastor Wagner is amazing.



**Katherine (Kate) Schreiman**

## Prayer from Parents

Naomi—

Dear Heavenly Father,

We pray that Naomi will always be sure of herself and have God first in her life. Keep her confident in Your love for her, and may she be used to share Your Word with others. We pray that You would give her Your strength, that through You, she would always be kind, loving, be filled with happiness, and make everyone else feel special. May You bless all her endeavors and may she always love her heavenly Father. In Jesus' Holy Name,  
Amen

Abigail—

Dear Heavenly Father,

You have blessed our family with Abigail Ruth. She has grown to be beautiful in everyway. We express my gratitude to you, dear Lord, for giving us a daughter with a heart full of love. May she follow in the path You have for her as she walks

through life, and may she find strength in Your Word, beauty in Your work, and be confident in her faith to share your bounty. In Jesus' Holy Name, Amen

Kate—

Dear Heavenly Father,

We thank you for blessing Kate and all these student with the promises of Jesus Christ. We thank you that Jesus will always watch over them, and guide them in every circumstance, and to renew their faith when they become discouraged.

Thank you for giving Kate the strength to overcome temptations and difficulties.

Guide her with Your grace so that they may persevere courageously in the hope of reaching Your kingdom. And mostly,

Lord Jesus, thank you for the eternal promise that You will always love Kate, so that she may give herself to be Your faithful servant for all her life. In Jesus'

Holy Name, Amen

## Confirmation Guidelines

As established by the Board of Elders for  
Trinity Lutheran Church

For Lutherans, youth confirmation ministry has always been, and continues to be, a high priority. Many congregations continue to perform this ministry very much the way that their parents and grandparents did in previous generations. Other congregations are trying new ways to reach and teach young **catechumens**.

Both groups, however, have this in common: They strive to articulate the Gospel to their youth in the most effective and God-pleasing way possible. Therefore, all Lutherans are united in their commitment to the Lord's Great Commission, as they see their children as God's gift to the church.

With this understanding in mind, the Board of Elders of Trinity Lutheran Church, in devotion to both the Lord and to the mission of this congregation and its members, establish the following guidelines and requirements for the **catechumens** of this parish:

The primary texts for use in our adult and junior confirmation classes will be Luther's Small Catechism and Biblical text studies as presented in "Old and New Testament Catechesis" by Rev. Peter Bender of the Lutheran Catechetical Academy.

**Catechumens** will participate in a two (2) year program of instruction under the control of the Board of Elders, taught by the Pastor, assisted, if needed, by the day school teachers of Trinity Lutheran School.



**Catechumens** will be required to participate in the worship service, serving as acolytes. There will be a designated number of times an individual must serve in this capacity, depending on how many confirmands are in the program and the date of confirmation.

Students will be required to submit a series of sermon reports during their course of confirmation studies, both in the 7th and 8th grade years, along with an extensive memory work requirement consisting of the contents of the Small Catechism.

A series of written exams will be given to each student during their two year course work over the material taught in class, and confirmands will also be required to make a public statement of faith as well as passing a private verbal examination with the pastor and representative(s) from the Board of Elders.

Church attendance is vitally important for all members of the parish, especially for **catechumens** as they begin to develop their adult habits and commitments. Therefore, **catechumens** are required to attend church services at least twice each month during their course of study for confirmation.

### **The Rite of Confirmation**

Confirmation is a public rite of the church preceded by a period of instruction designed to help baptized Christians identify with the life and mission of the Christian Community. Prior to admission to the Lord's Supper, it is necessary to be instructed in the Christian faith (1 Corinthians 11:28).

The rite of confirmation provides an opportunity for the individual Christian, relying on God's promise given in Holy Baptism, to make a personal public confession of the faith and a lifelong pledge of fidelity to Christ.

**Matthew 10: 32-33** Whoever acknowledges Me before men, I will also acknowledge him before My Father in heaven. But whoever disowns Me before men, I will disown him before My father in heaven.

**Revelation 2:10** Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life.

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## Trinity Lutheran Church Mission Statement

*"The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church, Lombard, IL is to proclaim the truth about God's saving Grace, given freely through the life, death and resurrection of His son Jesus Christ; to actively encourage our members to grow in faith, fellowship and love for one another; and to reach out to others so that they may hear the Gospel of Salvation, find forgiveness, reconciliation and a new life in Christ."*

## Trinity Lutheran Church and School Ministries

Rev. Steve Wagner, Senior Pastor

Director of Music, Handbells and Choir - Kurt Linstead

Children's Christian Education Ministry - Principal, Julie Messina

Mary Martha Ministry - President, Arlene Solyom

Sunday School Ministry - Superintendent, Lori Solyom

High School Youth Ministry - Hannah Solyom

Urban Linkage - Harlan Schmidt

Prayer Partners Ministry - Leader, Nadine Anderson

Congregation President - Kris Johansen

Congregation Vice President - Rich Eggert

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Board of Evangelism - Chair, Hannah Solyom

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