

Welcome to Wilton Presbyterian Church

May 23, 2021

Pentecost Sunday ~ Confirmation Sunday

We are glad that you found us and that you are here. We are a progressive, welcoming and inclusive congregation seeking both to know Christ and to make Christ known to people from all walks of life.

We pray that we will become better acquainted with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Shannon White

PRELUDE On Eagles Wings Zachary Wright

Michael Joncas

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The journey of faith is a journey through life. **People:** We are pilgrims, travelers, making our way.

Leader: But for each generation, in each place and time, the road may be different.

People: Today we celebrate tomorrow's leaders, courageous ones who take the

next step in their lives of faith. We hold out our hands to them and beckon

them to join us on the journey.

Leader: As they walk beside us, we may tell them our stories,

People: But we may not tell them the way forward.

Leader: We will listen to their questions and add our own,

People: But the answers must come from within their own hearts. We make a

place for them and want them know that the family of God's household of

faith is their family too.

All: Let us worship this God who leads us on our unique paths and still

connects us as one!

* OPENING PRAYER

MISSION SPOTLIGHT Cathy Ratcliffe

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Alison Wood

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

When this symbol (*) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit

Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit[e] intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

OVERVIEW OF CONFIRMATION

Julie Fowler

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

Presentation of Candidates

Lily Archibald
Matthew Darien
Charlie Greene
Benjamin Mrakovcic
Grace Ratcliffe
Aiden Sharp
Caleb Sharp

Questions to Candidates

Reading of Faith Statements by Confirmands

Blessing of the Confirmation Class of 2021 by Mentors

Unison Prayer of Commitment

I give You my hands to... create something of beauty, build something of strength, serve the broken and needy. I give You my feet to... lead by example, go where You lead, carry me to worship. I give You my mind to... learn more of Your world, learn more of Your Word, see my work as service to You. I give You my voice to... speak kindly of others, share Your story with children, sing Your praise. I give You my time to... work for You, rest and play, worship and pray. Gracious God, thank you for the work You have given me, and for Your work of grace on the cross. May my work be Your work. Through Jesus I pray. Amen.

Written By: Rev. John Hamilton

WELCOME

ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision Arr. Lloyd Larson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sonny Kern

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

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!

- * BENEDICTION
- * POSTLUDE

This Little Light of Mine Arr. Mark Hayes



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Class of 2022 Bryan Campbell Patty Connor Jock Wright	Class of 2022 Rachelle Bernabei Liz Archibald
Class of 2023 Cathy Ratcliffe Reshan Richards Alison Wood	Class of 2023 Patti Dormer Julie Stein Ann White Marianne Wilson