

CONFIRMATION of Samson Lingenfelter - September 25, 2022

SENTENCES:

Pastor: Hear the words of Jesus: I am the vine, you are the branches. Anyone who abides in me, and I in that person, is the one who bears much fruit. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

QUESTIONS OF THE CANDIDATE:

Pastor: Do you desire to affirm your baptism into the faith and family of Jesus Christ?

Candidate: I do.

Pastor: Do you renounce the powers of evil and desire the freedom of new life in Christ?

Candidate: I do.

Pastor: Do you profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

Candidate: I do.

Pastor: Do you promise, by the grace of God, to be Christ's disciple, to follow in the way of our Savior, to resist oppression and evil, to show love and justice, and to witness to the work and word of Jesus Christ as best you are able?

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Candidate: I promise, with the help of God.

Pastor: Do you promise, according to the grace given to you, to grow in Christian faith and to be a faithful member of the church of Jesus Christ, celebrating Christ's presence and furthering Christ's mission in all the world?

Candidate: I promise, with the help of God.

ACT OF CONFIRMATION:

Pastor: The God of mercies multiply grace and peace in you, enable you truly and faithfully to keep your vows, defend you in every time of danger, preserve you to the end, and finally bring you to rest with all the saints in glory everlasting.

Candidate and Congregation: Amen

PRAYER OF CONFIRMATION:

Pastor and Congregation: We rejoice, O merciful God in the gift of the Holy Spirit, and in the Spirit's power to awaken us to new truth and to inspire us to venture into fullness of life. We give you thanks that he has been moved to affirm his baptism. Help him to live not for himself but for Christ and those whom Christ loves. Keep him steady and abounding in hope, never giving up, pressing toward the goal of life with you in Jesus Christ. Amen.