

Victoria Isabella Ochoa

Thanksgiving to God for 15 years of life















Quinceañera Court

Godparents:

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie & Yvette Valenzuela Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy & Sarah Whitely

The Lucky Charms: Scarlett Ann Whitely Jordan Nevaeh Ochoa

Grandparents:

Mr. and Mrs. Jose Luís Ochoa Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Carreon Sr.

Honor Court:

Alí Cole-Ochoa Kellyn Gonzalez Shauntayvía Clark Haley Nathan Kathy Ochoa

Parents:

Mr. and Mrs. Jose Luís Jr. & Yvonne Ochoa

The Chambelan of Honor:
Alexander McIlvaine

The Quinceañera: Víctoría Isabella Ochoa

QUINCEAÑERA SERVICE OF VICTORIA OCHOA

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

STANDING STRONG + GROWING TOGETHER + REACHING OUT

Affirmation of Baptismal Promises

May 22, 2021

GATHERING MUSIC WELCOME

Pastor Stephen Heimer

PROCESSION

INVOCATION

The sign of the Holy Cross may be made by all in remembrance and celebration of their baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

ADORATION Psalm 16

- P Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- **I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;**
- P I have no good apart from you."
- C The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
- P The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;
- C you hold my lot.
- P The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
- c indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- P I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- **I have set the Lord always before me;**
- P because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- C Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
- P my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
- c or let your holy one see corruption.
- P You make known to me the path of life;
- c in your presence there is fullness of joy;
- P at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

PRAYER

- P Lord, we thank you for the fifteen years of life You have given to Victoria. She has been baptized in your name, has confirmed her faith, and today wishes to give you thanks and reaffirm the promises made at her Baptism. Help her so that she will continue to be faithful to you, today and always. Guard the hearts and minds of all in her family, so that they may guide Victoria in your ways, and so that there may be love and unity in the family. We ask these things in Jesus' name, for His sake.
- c Amen.

+ READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE +

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-8

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord GoD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." ⁷But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 3:12–17

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

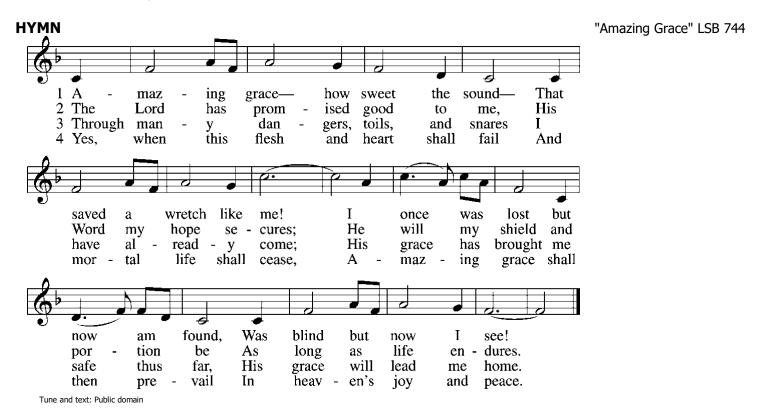
GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 5:13–16

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.



HOMILY

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

As a child, you were baptized in Christ. Now you have grown and matured and have confirmed your Christian faith. Today and everyday of your life, remember your Baptism. Remember the one who has forgiven your sins, who has rescued you from sin, death, and the power of Satan, and who has given you eternal life.

P Rejoicing in Christ's work in your life, do you this day in the presence of God and of this gathering of your family, friends, and church, acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

- R Yes, I do.
- P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- R I renounce the devil and all evil in my life.
- P Do you believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- R Yes, I believe and place my life in His care and keeping.
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into Hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?
- R Yes, I believe and confess Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.
- P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?
- R Yes, I believe and pray my friend and comfort, the Holy Spirit, to fill my life with His peace, power, and purpose.
- P Trusting in God's goodness and grace, in this new season of life, do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?
- R Yes, I do, with the help of God.
- P Will you proclaim, by word and deed, the Good News of God in Jesus Christ?
- R Yes, I will, with the help of God.
- P Will you serve Christ by loving your neighbor as you love yourself?
- R Yes, I will, with the help of God.
- P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life T everlasting.
- C Amen.
- P Just as in your Baptism God gave you new life through faith in Christ, so now continue in the ways of the Lord. Show Christ's love wherever you go, and use your abilities and energy to serve him. May God help you to resist every temptation and to give a good testimony in front of your friends and family. In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

BLESSINGS AND PROMISES OF PARENTS

- A Now that you are beginning a new stage in your life, may God guide and protect you from all evil! May God help you remain faithful in good times and bad times, and in the end may God bring you to his eternal life! For our part, we promise to continue to love you and support you and encourage you in the ways of the Lord.
- C Amen.

GIFT OF THE PROMISE RING

P Rings are symbols of promise, ongoing commitment, and love. The Bible says: "Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do it." (Psalm 37:5) Let this ring is a symbol of your commitment to follow God's path. With God's help, resist the temptations that will come in life. When temptations come, look at this ring and remember the love of God and the love of your family.

BLESSING AND PROMISES OF NEW GODPARENTS

From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors (Godparents) for baptismal candidates and students seeking confirmation. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church godparents are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them in frequent reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor. It is pure Christian love to pledge this type of support, encouragement, and

accountability to Victoria, a confirmed believer, as you walk together in Christian faith, worship, discipleship, and service.

Is it your intention to serve in this way as Godparents?

- C Yes, with the help of God.
- P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
- C Amen

GIFT OF THE CROSS

The Bible says: "The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." (1 Corinthians 1:18) May this cross remind you always that you are saved only through Christ, who died and rose again for you! When you look at this cross, remember that you belong to Christ.

GIFT OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P We commend all our cares and worries to God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **Hear our prayer.**
- P For Victoria, who is celebrating her birthday, grant that she continue in the way of Jesus Christ with joy and love. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **Hear our prayer.**
- P For her mom and dad, grandparents, and other relatives, help them so that they may always be able to sustain love and unity in the family. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **Hear our prayer.**
- P For the youth, particularly Victoria's friends who are here today, touch their hearts so that they have faith in you and follow your footsteps always. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **Hear our prayer.**
- P For all of our needs, for those who are suffering sickness or loneliness or danger or sadness, or any problem, we beg your mercy and your help. Lord, in your mercy,
- C **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYER OF THE QUINCEAÑERA

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.
- C Amen.
- L Go in peace and joy.
- c Amen.

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