



## St. Paul Lutheran Church 2020 Confirmands Confirmation Verse and Biography

**Ethan Wayne Biondo**—*I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world (John 16:33).* Ethan selected this verse because it helps him to know that Jesus is there for him no matter what he faces in life. He attends Western High School and is the youngest in his family. He enjoys the St. Paul Fall Festival and Quiet Christmas Service. He likes playing basketball and video games with his friends. Ethan also enjoys math and hopes to become an architect in the future.

**Catherine Meeson Bond**—*The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth (Psalm 145:18).* Cate says Jesus is important in her life because He gives her hope and keeps her safe. She enjoys volunteering at LifeNet4Families food pantry and at the annual Fall Festival. Cate likes to play lacrosse, crochet, and watch T.V. She hopes to become an accountant in the future.

**Ella Micci Bond**—*I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life (John 8:12).* Ella selected this verse because it means whatever happens God is always with you. She says her faith gives her hope. Ella attends Cypress Bay High School and enjoys volunteering at LifeNet4Families and coming to teen night at St. Paul. Ella also plays softball and likes to paint and draw.

**Cameron Nicole Crawford**—*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your path (Proverbs 3:5-6).* Cameron chose this verse because whenever she is troubled she prays and she knows that Jesus will steer her in the right direction and she can make good choices. Cameron says her faith is important because she knows she is saved and it brings her hope. She is a student at Cypress Bay High School. Cameron enjoys running, reading and playing the bass guitar. She hopes to pursue a career as a biochemist or something in medical science.

**Casey Elizabeth Cross**—*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want (Psalm 23:1).* Casey says she is grateful and thankful to the Lord for all she has. She is a student at American Heritage School and enjoys playing tennis and volleyball. Her hobbies also include listening to music, reading and painting.

**Emma Nicole Ecarius**- *Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in the newness of life (Romans 6:4).* This verse tells Emma that Jesus died for our sins so that we may have eternal life. Emma says having faith in Christ is the only way to have eternal life in heaven. She enjoys horseback riding, traveling, animals, hiking and biking. She would like to pursue a career in healthcare as a nurse or dietician. She also has ambitions to compete in horseback show jumping.

**Charles Anthony Faso**- *Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go (Joshua 1:9).* Charlie says this verse means that God is always by his side and his faith helps him believe in something bigger than himself. Charlie enjoys teen nights at church. He participates in track and field and likes to play video games with his friends. He hopes to have a career in computer programming one day.

**Patricio Javier Flores** – *Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path (Psalm 119:105).* Patricio says being a Christian is important because he knows that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. Patricio likes youth retreats at church and playing basketball. His hobbies include video games, cooking and swimming. He hopes to one day become a lawyer.

**Juan Pablo Garcia** – *Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:27).* This verse tells JP that he should have good character and imagine that Christ is always watching him. He says Jesus is his friend and he can always talk to Him when he needs. Following Christ helps him to be a good role model in all he does. JP enjoys coming to Spirit Night, working out and playing video games.

**Sofia Isabel Gerstenecker-Sierra** – *Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you (Hebrews 13:5).* Sofia chose this verse because she is comforted that Jesus will always be with us. Her faith helps her know that Jesus sacrificed himself for us to free us from sin. She enjoys attending Spirit Night at church and playing the bells. Her hobbies include swimming, art, music, piano, and fishing. She would like to become an animator one day.

**James John Griffin**- *Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you (Hebrews 13:5).* James says that this verse means that God is always there for him and he will never forsake him. He enjoys going on youth trips at St. Paul. James also enjoys playing hockey, basketball, guitar, drums and marching band. He hopes to become a professional musician one day.

**Shannon Natalie Gruber** – *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose (Romans 8:28).* Shannon attends Cypress Bay High School and has one older brother. She enjoys helping at Vacation Bible School. Her hobbies include horseback riding, drawing and singing. She hopes to find a career that allows her to travel and meet new people.

**Matthew Peter Khan** - *So do not fear, I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you (Isaiah 41:10).* Matthew says this tells him that he can always count on the Lord to get him through any situation. Jesus is important to him because he gives him hope. Matthew enjoys volunteering at Vacation Bible School and playing soccer. He also collects coins, plays guitar, and drums and goes fishing. He hopes to have a job in technology one day.

**Caroline Rose Kluesner**- *Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me (Psalm 23:4).* Caroline says this verse makes her feel safe and protected from the evil in the world. Her faith is important to her because when she feels alone she knows Jesus is always there to call on. Caroline enjoys playing lacrosse and hopes to play in college. She intends to have a career in business management one day.

**Andrew Lacambra** – *Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path (Psalm 119:105).* Andrew says this means that God’s word will light his path and guide him. He says Jesus is important because his teachings show Andrew the best way to live. Andrew enjoys soccer, playing the guitar and piano. He hopes to become a professional musician.

**Nicole Loddo**- *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).* Nicole was born in Miramar, FL and baptized in Venezuela. Her faith is important to her because it leads her on the right path and to her Jesus represents love, hope, and peace. She attends Cypress Bay High School and is the oldest in her family. She enjoys helping with Vacation Bible School, acting and playing volleyball. Nicole hopes to one day become an interior designer or an actress.

**Ava Michelle Stone**- *Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go (Joshua 1:9).* This verse is important to Ava because it shows her that the Lord is always by her side. Faith in Jesus brings her peace, hope and strength. Ava enjoys volunteering at Vacation Bible School here at St. Paul. She plays volleyball and enjoys calligraphy. She hopes to continue to grow her relationship with God.

*Congratulations Confirmands  
May God Bless you Always*