

SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION  
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MAY 14, 2017

**THE PRESENTATION**

Brothers and sisters in Christ, on behalf of the Session, I present **Jackson Noble Peck** to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

I also present:

**Julia Eleanor Bray  
Jatron Anthony Ellis  
Madeline Kay Hachtel  
Megan Carolyn Petti  
Natalie Anneliese Schulz  
and Adam Xavier Vega**

for the reaffirming of the covenant into which they were baptized.

These seven young men and women desire to profess publically their faith and to assume greater responsibility in the life of the church and God's mission in the world.

**STATEMENT ON BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION**

Noble, Julia, Jatron, Madeline, Megan, Natalie and Adam, we rejoice that you desire to declare your faith and to share with us in our common ministry. In your baptism you are joined to Christ, and made members of his church. We are confident that you have learned and are still seeking to learn God's purpose for your life and for all creation. You have been taught and nurtured and prayed for by members of this church, and you are called to be servants of our savior Jesus Christ.

Hear these words of Scripture:

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. No one, after lighting a lamp, puts it under a basket, but on a lampstand. And it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light so shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Now, as you publically declare your faith, I ask you to reject sin, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and to confess the faith of the church, the faith into which Noble is to be baptized, and into which the rest of you have already been baptized.

I have three questions for you:

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you renounce the evil in our lives and in the world?

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and savior, trusting in his grace and love?

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his Love?

**QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATAION**

When a child is baptized, a congregation is asked to take a vow on behalf of the whole church to tell the child the about the love and grace of our savior Jesus Christ through our love and fellowship. We promised to do our part to strengthen their family ties to the household of God. All but one of these young men and women have been baptized, and their profession of faith this morning is evidence that we are doing our job. However, their profession of faith does not release us of our vow to continue the good work of training them in righteousness, teaching them about Christ, and encouraging them through our fellowship. That is a lifelong commitment.

Our brother in Christ, Noble Peck, is being presented for baptism. Do you, the people of the church, promise to tell Noble the good news of the gospel, to help him know the good news of the gospel, to help him know all that Christ commands, and, by your fellowship, to strengthen his family ties to the household of God? If you do, say, "We do."

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM – Jackson Noble Peck**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**QUESTION TO CONFIRMANDS**

Adam, Natalie, Megan, Madeline, Jatron, Julia, and Noble, you have publically professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? If you do say, "We do."

**PRAYER**

Gracious God, by water and Spirit you claimed us as your own, cleansing us from sin, and giving us new life. You made us members of your body, the church, calling us to be your servants in the world. Be with these youths. Continue the good work you have begun in them. Send them forth in the power of your Spirit to love and serve you with joy, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**LAYING ON OF HANDS**

**RESPONSIVE WELCOME**

Minister: Adam, Natalie, Megan, Madeline, Jatron, Julia and Noble, by publicly professing their faith, have expressed their intention to continue in the covenant God made with them in their baptism. Let us welcome them as they join with us in the worship and mission of the church.

People: **With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us the ministry of Christ for we are all one in him. Amen.**