

# Confirmation and Communion Services

Last Sunday was a day long to be remembered by the Norwegian Lutheran congregation at Binford. Nine young people, three girls and six boys reviewed their baptismal vows and partook for the first time in communion. Although the weather was not very propitious a large concourse of people gathered to witness the solemn ceremony, and the church was filled to its utmost with interested listeners, and although the services lasted three hours, nobody seemed to lose interest.

The church was nicely decorated for the occasion with. An organ played by Mrs. Albert Alfson added also to the solemnity and life of the occasion. Extra seats were placed in to accommodate the large number expected, but every seat was taken and several stood during the service.

During the short period of rehearsal, conducted by Rev. Jenson, the young people sat a part of the time, but in order to make the responses more audibly to the questions asked them by the pastor, they were requested to stand. Considering the short time these young people have been instructed, we can only say that they did credit to themselves. It takes considerable composure of mind to stand such a test, even for the brightest, and so we have only congratulations and best wishes to offer our young christians, and we furthermore wish and hope that the instruction received may increase in strength for the good of the church and the honor of the Lord whom they have promised fealty.

Two young people from Cooperstown joined the class, this makes the number eleven. We give their names below as follows:

Laura Josephine Krogfoss,  
Laura Tureua Ness  
Guri Matilda Dahl  
Osmund Willie Olson  
Siger Eli Olson  
Oscar Alfred Alm  
Alfred Selmer Alfson  
Nils Thune  
John Holsdon Kebsgaard  
• Edna Louisa Heitmann  
Selmer Hellerk Larson.

The two last mentioned were from Cooperstown. May the Good Lord bless the young and the old of the Binford Lutheran church, may the young especially receive many happy and blessed returns of the day.