

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

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✠PREPARATION✠

CALL TO WORSHIP (Jack & Becky – Songs for the Saints – blue folder)

to be announced

AS WE GATHER

This Sunday is a bridge between the Ascension of Our Lord and Pentecost. Upon the Lord's Ascension, the disciples were not left alone. They had the Word of the Lord and the promise of the Spirit to make known to them all that Jesus said and did. With the testimony of God's Word and the witnesses to the Lord's resurrection and ascension, the Church learned to trust in what the Lord had accomplished for their salvation and to be bold in witness to the truth of this Gospel. The Lord is still working in us through the testimony of His Word so that we may be His witnesses emboldened by the Spirit.

The peace of the Lord is exchanged according to local custom.

OPENING HYMN LSB 837 v. 1-4 "Lift High the Cross"

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?.

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear Gods Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in

the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

☩WORD☩

INTROIT (see insert – spoken full verse by full verse – Pastor begins)

KYRIE (sung) **Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (sung)

- 1. To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**
- 2, To You, O sole-be-gotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heart-felt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high-**
- 3. For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 1:12-26

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: **God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.**

P: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

C: **He has put all things under His feet.**

THE EPISTLE 1 John 5:9-15

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God**

VERSE (sung)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe

**that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God
Alleluia, alleluis, alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 17:11b-19

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the seventeenth chapter,

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB 829 “Christ the Eternal Lord”

SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: In Your great mercy, O Lord, You have accomplished all things for our salvation and bore upon Your Son the cost of our redemption. Deliver us from doubt and fear that we may know with courage the Gospel of Christ crucified and risen and be made bold to confess this truth before the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: In Your mercy You sustained Your church in the time of waiting for the promise of the Spirit to be fulfilled. Sustain us in our wait for the completion of all that Christ began by His death and resurrection that we not grow weary of trusting You nor betray the hope You planted in us in our Baptism. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Guide Your church, O Lord, that we be united in faith and proclaim with one voice Him whose death, resurrection, and ascension have delivered us from sin and its death. Make us of one mind and one heart that we serve our neighbor with joy to the glory of Your holy name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Deliver us from war and violence, and bless us with good and honest leaders who will hear the voice of Your Word and act on our behalf that we may live holy, upright, and godly lives in this place. Bless those who protect us here and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: In the midst of temptation, make us strong, and in the midst of trials help us endure with patience and conviction the days of trouble. Bless

especially those who suffer illness or infirmity, grief, or pain. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Keep Your church and the work of the Kingdom ever before us that we may daily pray to the Father even as our Lord continues to intercede on our behalf. Uplift us in hope that what we pray for we may be willing to work toward, until that day when all our enemies and trials shall end and we shall be united with the saints who went before us, once and forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Prepare our hearts, O Lord, that we may approach Your altar with repentance and the confession of Your body and blood and here receive to our blessing the very body and blood of Christ, our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: All these things and whatever else You know that we need we pray You to grant us for the sake of and in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OFFERING plate will be passed. Please sign the Record of Fellowship folder at this time.

✠SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT✠

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for all the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (sung)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav`n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest , sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

C: 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI –Lamb of God

(sung) **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray**

Distribution

LSB 618 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

LSB 702 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

NUNC DIMITTIS

(sung) **O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'n ly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, Forevr Three in One;
Far as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resoudndng Through all eternity.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray:

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

SALUTATION and BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN LSB 837 v.5-6 “Lift High the Cross”

SILENT PRAYER

+THIS WORSHIP IS ENDED.

LET THE SERVICE BEGIN+

“...whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” Colossians 3:17

Dates to Remember

May 12 – Council Meeting after Service/Mother’s Day

May 19 – Altar Guild after Service

BIBLE STUDY & CHURCH SERVICE

Bible Study will meet at 9:15 am in the fellowship hall,

Church Service at 10:30 am.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Rick Burd – cancer treatments

Randy Burd – also cancer treatments

Deb Sparks – tumors on thyroid

Hazel Younglove – many health issues

Birthdays

Alisha VanderLoop – May 4

Ethan Heegeman – May 25

Margaret Hummel – May 26

Gerald Hummel – May 23

Deborah Sparks – May 25

Anniversary

Dennis & Diane Schlak – May 9

Jack & Becky Priami – May 12