

# The Seventh Sunday of Easter 24 May 2020

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# We Set Our Minds on the Things of God

Most celebrations in our world last a few hours—or in the case of some great professional sports win, maybe a week. Here in church we have celebrated Easter for seven Sundays—a week of weeks! The Easter season concludes today with powerful words from Jesus. He is praying for His people in the world—for us! His prayer for us is at the same time comforting and challenging: "Holy Father, keep them in Your name, which You have given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one" (John 17:11). How comforting it is to know that Jesus' prayer is for the Father to hold on to us no matter what. How challenging it is—in light of the ways that we divide and scatter—that Jesus wants His followers to be one. Today, in Holy Communion, we catch a glimpse of both. The Lord holds on to us by drawing us together to receive Christ's body and blood; at the same time, we who gather to receive are in that moment one, a foretaste of the feast to come. The Lord is risen! What a celebration!

# **Collection of Prayer Requests**

# **ENTRANCE**

#### Stand

## Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

## **Easter Acclamation**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- G He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# **Opening Sentences**

Psalm 101:1: Psalm 100:1-5

- **P** I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
- to You, O Lord, I will make music.
- P Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
- Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!
- **P** Know that the Lord. He is God!
- It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people.

- P The Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever.
- His faithfulness endures to all generations.

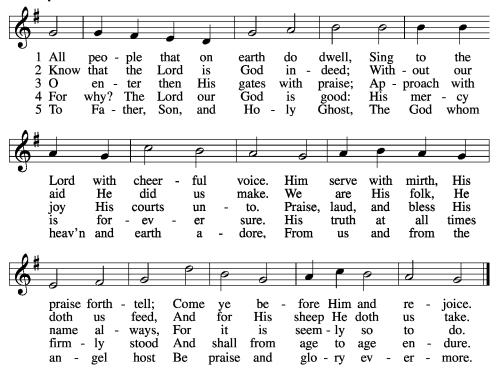
## **Confession and Absolution**

- P Lord, You teach us to be sober-minded, to be watchful, and to resist the devil firm in faith. You give us the gift of listening to our cries as we confess our sins, and You promise abundant forgiveness. So we come to You today in repentance and sorrow for our sins. We confess to You,
- our wavering trust in Your promises, especially in times of difficulty and suffering.
- P We confess to You,
- all of the ways in which we have participated in evil in thought, word, and deed.
- **P** We confess to You,
- the many ways in which we have acted divisively in our families and in our church.
- P Jesus is glorified when a sinner repents and when a lost sheep is found. Jesus gave His life on the cross and was raised from death, so that sinners such as you and I may be forgiven, restored, and set on a new path of righteousness. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

# All People That on Earth Do Dwell

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# **EXHORTATION**

## **Salutation**

- **V** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

# **Collect of the Day**

**V** 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.

# **Old Testament Reading**

Acts 1:12-26

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.

And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"'Let another take his office.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

- **V** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

**Epistle** 1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And

"If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**V** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Verse Rom. 6:9; John 14:18

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia.

Stand

Holy Gospel John 17:1–11

 $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$  The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

- **V** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- 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.

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## O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

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O Christ, the apostles' Lord,

The crucified and risen King

The martyrs' strength and song,

To whom the saints belong:

Sermon Resurrection Witness

Though generations pass,

Our lives an offering.

Our tribute still we bring,

Our hymns a sacrifice of praise,

# **EUCHARIST**

#### Stand

# **Prayer of the Church**

- For the Church in this place and throughout the world: for Christians suffering persecution at the hands of unjust governments; for any among us who are experiencing fiery trials; for all Christians, that we may seek the oneness for which our Lord prayed. Risen Lord,
- hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- For our nation's president, our state's governor, and for our local elected officials: may they uphold justice and goodness and wield their power in responsible ways. Risen Lord,
- **(C)** hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- P For those who serve in the armed forces and are far away from home and family: may they lean on Your promise never to leave them nor forsake them. Risen Lord,
- hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- **P** For those who are poor, unemployed, or struggling every day just to make ends meet, use us as Your servants to help them, and by Your Holy Spirit, grant them hope and perseverance. Risen Lord,
- **G** hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- P For all those who mourn: may they put their hope in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love, so that their loneliness may be overcome by Your presence and grace. Risen Lord,
- hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- P For those who are sick, facing surgery, convalescing, and for the dying: may they find in the Scriptures all the stories of rescue and deliverance in the midst of trouble, and put their hope and trust in You who—whether there is healing or death—will not leave them nor forsake them. Risen Lord,
- **(2)** hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- P For the families of our congregation: that in the daily struggles to communicate with one another, forgive one another, and honor one another, they may daily turn to Jesus' cross and resurrection for inspiration and guidance. Risen Lord,
- **©** hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- P For all who travel for business or pleasure: that they may arrive safely at their intended destinations. Risen Lord,
- **(C)** hear us in Your abundant mercy.

[Received petitions are added here.]

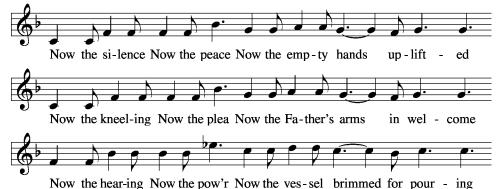
- Profourselves: as You promise in the Scriptures: restore us, confirm us, strengthen us, and establish us firm in faith. Risen Lord,
- **©** hear us in Your abundant mercy.
- To You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we entrust our prayers, relying on Your promise that You hear us for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ in whose name we are bold to pray:

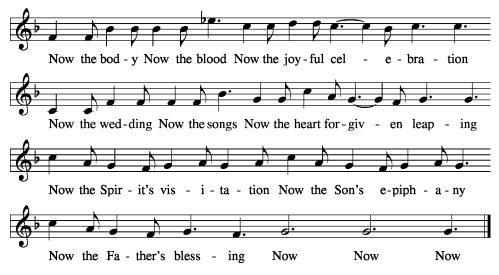
## **Lord's Prayer**

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.

You may be seated as the Altar is prepared.

Now the Silence





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#### Stand

## **Preface**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## The Sacrament of the Altar

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."

Who receives this Sacrament worthily?

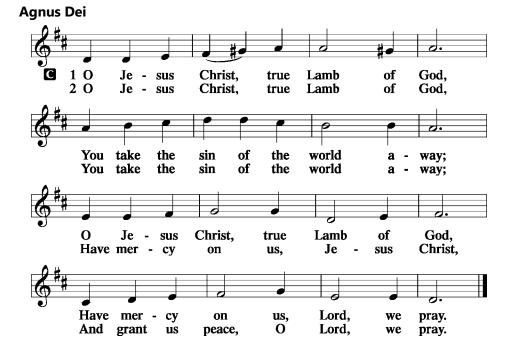
Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

## The Words of Our Lord

P 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 +I+ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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You may be seated until invited forward by the Vicar.

# Distirbution

## Stand

Nunc Dimittis



# **Post-Communion Prayer**

**P** Let us pray.

Father, in this Holy Communion, You bring us together as one, and You give us strength for our daily struggle against the evil foe. Restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish us, that our lives may show forth Your ways to the world around us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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Amen.

## **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and → give you peace.

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Then let us now draw near,
 Washed in that precious flood
 And enter the Most Holy Place
 By Jesus' blood.
 From hearts that are sincere,
 Let tongues our hope profess,
 And trust anew God's faithful grace
 That we confess.

All praise to Christ we bring,
 Our Lord who intercedes,
 Our great High Priest enthroned above
 Who knows our needs;
 And to the Father sing
 Our songs of thankful praise,
 Who with the Spirit reigns in love
 For endless days.

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## **Announcements**

**Birthday** this week: Tommy Cruz 30<sup>th</sup>

The **church council** is looking for someone to maintain the two large planters on either side of the lift door. These were donated as a memorial for Lillian Alspach and contain ornamental pines that need to be trimmed on a regular basis. If you can serve in this way, please contact the church office.

This is a reminder that there will be an **Elders' meeting** this Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

"It was many long years before Elizabeth had the joy of seeing, in her own body, that God had not forgotten her. 'He looked on me,' she said. The proof was the baby growing inside her, though she was an old woman by that time. But you and I don't need to wait so long. God has looked on us, too. The proof is the baby growing inside of Mary—God's own dear Son Jesus, Who came to be your Savior. In Jesus, you can see that God has remembered you. He has looked on you with love—He has even made you His own child. You are not forgotten. You are beloved." Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

