

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12 & 13, 2018

5:00 pm & 8:15 am



AS WE GATHER

On this final Sunday of the Easter season, the apostles are gathered to select as successor to Judas one who had been with them from the beginning to become a witness of Jesus' resurrection. In the Epistle, John teaches us the Good News that God testifies concerning Jesus, the Son: "Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life" (1 John 5:12). In the Gospel, Jesus, in His High Priestly Prayer, prays that all who have received His Word may be one and that His joy may be fulfilled in us. He sanctifies us together in the truth of His Word as we live as resident aliens in this world.

PRELUDE

Organ

RINGING OF THE BELLS - *We Prepare our hearts and minds for worship*



WELCOME

OPENING HYMN "By All Your Saints in Warfare"

LSB 517, v. 1, 13, 3

**By all Your saints in warfare, For all Your saints at rest,
Your holy name, O Jesus, Forevermore be blest! For You have won the battle That they might wear the crown;
And now they shine in glory Reflected from Your throne.**

**For one in place of Judas, The' apostles sought God's choice;
The lot fell to Mattias For whom we now rejoice.
May we like true apostles Your holy Church defend,
And not betray our calling But serve You to the end.**

**Then let us praise the Father And worship God the Son
And sing to God the Spirit, Eternal Three in One
Till all the ransomed number Fall down before the throne,
Ascribing pow'r and glory and praise to God alone.**

(Please Stand)

EASTER PROCLAMATION

Pastor: Christ is risen!
People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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Men: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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Women: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: Christ is risen!
People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

(If you would like private confession and absolution, please call the office at (314) 832-5600 to make an appointment with Pastor Clark)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b*

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8-9*

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: 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.

[John 20:19-23]

People: **Amen.**

[OR]

Seminary Student: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
John 1:12, Philippians 1:6

People: **Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE “This Is The Feast”

LSB 155

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, And honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God, And join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O King of glory, Lord of hosts,

People: **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;**

Pastor: for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

(Please Be Seated)



FIRST READING *Acts 1:12–26*

(Peter leads the apostles in choosing a successor to Judas.)

² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ 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. ¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. ¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶ “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. ¹⁷ For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ¹⁸ (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹ 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.) ²⁰ “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.’” ²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² 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.” ²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



EPISTLE *1 John 5:9–15* (Jesus the Son is the testimony of God

that He has given eternal life to His people.)

⁹ If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴ And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please Stand)

GOSPEL VERSE “Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

LSB 477, v. 1

**Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav’n and voices raise:
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
He who on the cross a victim For the world’s salvation bled—
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.**



HOLY GOSPEL *John 17:11b–19* (Jesus’ High Priestly Prayer for His disciples)

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

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹¹And 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. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**



APOSTLES’ CREED

LSB 159

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please Be Seated)



CHILDREN’S MESSAGE “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb” *LSB 740, v.1*

**I am Jesus’ little lamb, Ever glad at heart I am;
For my Shepherd gently guides me, Knows my need, and well provides me,
Loves me ev’ry day the same, Even calls me by my name.**

Christ is the world’s Redeemer, The lover of the pure,
The font of heav’nly wisdom, Our trust and hope secure,
The armor of His soldiers, The Lord of earth and sky,
Our health while we are living, Our life when we shall die.

Christ has our host surrounded With clouds of martyrs bright,
Who wave their palms in triumph And fire us for the fight.
Then Christ the cross ascended To save a world undone
And, suff’ring for the sinful, Our full redemption won.

Down through the realm of darkness He strode in victory,
And at the hour appointed He rose triumphantly.
And now, to heav’n ascended, He sits upon the throne
Whence He had ne’er departed, His Father’s and His own.

Glory to God the Father, The unbegotten One,
All honor be to Jesus, His sole begotten Son,
And to the Holy Spirit The perfect Trinity.
Let all the worlds give answer: Amen! So let it be.



SERMON

(Please Stand)



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray together in Christ Jesus for all people according to their needs.

Pastor: O God, grant to all servants of Your Word attentive hearts to listen to Your voice as they speak Your Word among people who do not yet know how much You love them. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O God, help the leaders of the civil realm both here and around the world to follow paths of justice for all people, protect the weakest and poorest in every society, and practice honesty and integrity in all their work. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O God, be with all people who suffer affliction of body, mind, or spirit, [*especially . . .*]. Grant that all people look to You and experience healing and wholeness according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Look with favor, O God, upon all our mothers. Guide them as they serve You in caring for their children. Ease their anxieties as they perform daily parenting responsibilities. Bring them joy in the privilege of raising the children with which you have blessed them. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.

(Special Petitions)

Pastor: All glory, honor, power, and might be unto You, dear Father, who with Your Son, Jesus Christ, are living and reigning in communion and love with the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and ever unto the ages of ages.

People: **Amen.**

(Please Be Seated)



GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

(Please Stand)



✠SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT✠

We believe Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christian to eat and to drink.

If you are a communicant member of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation, please feel free to commune with us. If not, please speak with the pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper.

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, our duty, and our delight to give You thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty God, but chiefly do we praise You for the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, whose death has paid the price of our sins and whose life bestows upon us everlasting life. With angels, archangels, with Peter and Paul, and with all the saints in light, we join in praising Your name and singing their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *Holy, Holy, Holy Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

LSB 161

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 162

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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. Matthew 6:9–13

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

People: **Amen.**

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Please Be Seated)

(Please Note: Communion will be distributed in a continuous line during our 8:15 am worship while broadcasting on KFYO radio)

**Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock,
For the Father has chosen To give you the Kingdom;
Have no fear, little flock!**

**Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock,
For the Father will keep you In His love forever;
Have good cheer, little flock!**

**Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above,
For He stoops down to heal you, Uplift and restore you;
Praise the Lord high above!**

**Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God,
For He stays close beside you, In all things works with you;
Thankful hearts raise to God!**

“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

LSB708

**Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercy cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would I would share. Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break, My trust in Thee can nothing shake.
Thou art the portion I have sought; Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord, Forsake me not!
I trust Thy Word.**

**Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor.
Lord, grant that I in every place May glorify Thy lavish grace
And help and serve my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile; Let Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me To bear my cross and follow Thee.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
In death Thy comfort still afford.**

**Lord, let at last Thine angels come, To Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,
That I may die unfearing;
And in its narrow chamber keep My body safe in peaceful sleep
Until Thy reappearing.
And then from death awaken me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, Thy glorious face, My Savior and my fount of grace.
Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,
And I will praise Thee without end.**

“Son of God, Eternal Savior”

LSB 842

**Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace
Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory, For your own will ever plead:
Fill us with Your love and pity, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.**

**As You, Lord have lived for others, So may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted; Freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver, Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty Held in solemn trust will be.**

**Come, O Christ, and reign among us, King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion, Bid its cruel discords cease.
By your patient years of toiling, By your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure, Stem our selfish greed of gain.**

**Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race;
By Your praying, by Your willing That your people should be one,
Grant, oh, grant our hope's fruition; Here on earth Your will be done.**

(Please Stand)

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

LSB 164

**Thank the Lord and sing His Praise, tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia!**



BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

LSB 166

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

**The Church’s one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation By water and the Word.
From heav’n He came and sought her To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.**

**Elect from ev’ry nation, Yet one o’er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith , one birth.
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses With ev’ry grace endued.**

**Though with a scornful wonder The world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; Their cry goes up, “How long?”
And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.**

**Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.**

**Yet she on earth has union With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav’nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace
That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:15 AM

FAREWELL TO JEFF & FADIA JENKINS 8:15 AM

POSTLUDE

Organ

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