

6th Sunday of Easter LBW Setting One with Communion Sunday, May 22, 2022

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES AND TEACHERS

PRELUDE "Come Christians Join to Sing" Rodriguez

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Sit/Kneel

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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
- P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Stand

HYMN Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

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GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.
- A When all seem to have abandoned us and left us to face the world alone, the Risen One comes to us.
- C The Spirit of Truth, our Advocate with God, is here to walk with us and lead us to the truth.
- A This is the One whom the world cannot see, and yet the One who abides with us forever.
- C We are not alone! We are lavishly loved by God, led faithfully by the Spirit, and living fully in the presence of Christ. Thanks be to God!





PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray together,
- C Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

FIRST LESSON: ACTS 16:9-15

L A reading from Acts.

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. ¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 67 (Read Responsively)

- L ¹May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.
- C ²Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

- L ³Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- C ⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.
- L ⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- C ⁶The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.
- L ⁷May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

SECOND LESSON: REVELATION 21:10, 22--22:5

L A reading from Revelation.

¹⁰And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. ²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. ^{22:1}Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the

leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: JOHN 14:23-29

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Fourteenth Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

²³Jesus answered Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵"I have said these things to you

while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Pastors Peterson

Stand

HYMN Love Divine, All Loves Excelling LBW 315



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

APOSTLES' CREED

- P Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

THE PRAYERS

A Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

- A God of new life, open your church to the unexpected ways your Spirit is at work. Guide bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders in their visioning, partnership, and planning. Surround us with your peace. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

- A Give a vision of increase and abundant harvest for farmers, laborers, and gardeners who are beginning their growing season. Join their efforts with the goodness of creation to feed all living things. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Shine your light of wisdom and peace among nations. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Give safe haven to those who seek healing, liberation, or peace especially...and all others we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts... God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Uphold the work of ministries and organizations in our communities who assist people experiencing homelessness, citizens returning from prison, and all marginalized people. Accomplish your will through their efforts. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Assemble your people at rivers, streams, and fonts, where we remember our baptism and welcome others into the communion of saints. Gather us with those who have died when we meet together at your river of life. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

PEACE

- P Peace of the Lord be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Share Christ's Peace with one another.

Sit

OFFERING "Fughetta & Voluntary" Kolb/Stanley
The Offering is received.

Stand

OFFERTORY

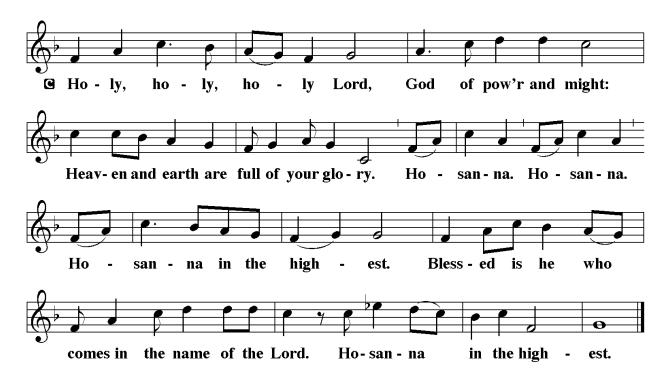


OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray, Living God,
- C you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

MEAL

- 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 to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

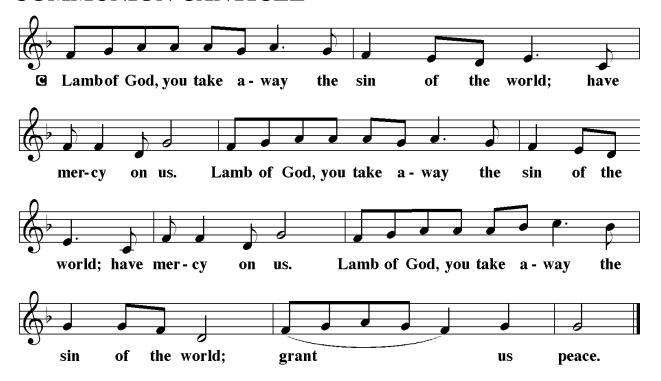
- P Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P These are the gifts of God, for the people of God.
- C Thanks be to God.

Sit

COMMUNION CANTICLE



HOLY COMMUNION

will be celebrated today at the head aisle. Simply take the host and consume. Proceed next to the assisting minister to receive the wine/grape juice and consume. After you are finished communing, we ask that you place your cup in the empty receptacle as you head back to your seat.

We believe that Christ is present in, with, and under each element. Children who have not received instruction are invited forward for a blessing.

All are welcome to the table of the Lord!

We will sing the following Hymns during Holy Communion:

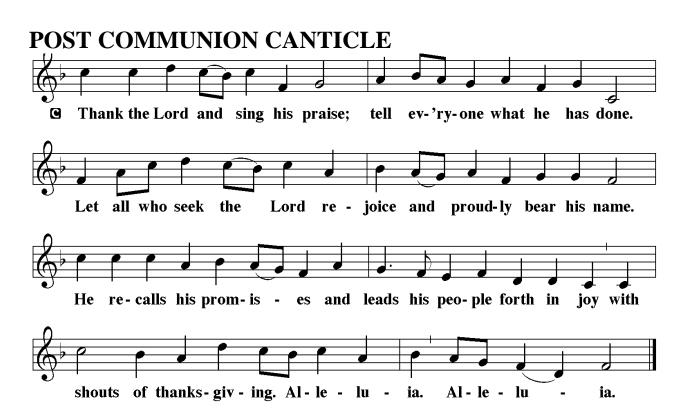
Let Us Break Bread Together (LBW 212)

Now We Join in Celebration (LBW 203)

What a friend we have in Jesus (LBW 439)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray.

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

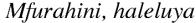
C Amen.

BLESSING

P May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen







- 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. He has arisen this world to save. 5 Christ has arisen to set us free. Alleluia, to him praises be. Jesus' redeeming labors are done. Even the battle with sin is won." Refrain
 - Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly king. *Refrain*

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DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ.
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE "The Bells of Easter"

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon. May 23 – 11am Book Group

GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE

The Pastors are having a Graduation Open House Party for Kate in honor of her graduation from High School at our home.

The Open House is on Saturday May 28th, 2022, from 1-4pm. Everyone from Advent is invited.

Our address is: 311 High Chaparral Drive Martinez, GA 30907.

We would be honored to have you stop by to share in the celebration of Kate's Graduation.

The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

(Galatians 5:22)

We pray this week that GENTLENESS grows in us.

WORSHIP LEADERS

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Melinda East

Assisting Minister

Heather Herrmann

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