

Saturday, May 15, 2021 – 5:00 pm
Communion / The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Greetings and Opening Prayer

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: LSB 664 "Fight the Good Fight"

Invocation

The Confession

P: Dearly beloved, let us confess our sins to God our Father.

ALL: 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.

The Absolution

The Kyrie – spoken

ALL: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

(Please be seated)

The Gloria: LSB Hymn 790 (vv.1 & 2) "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

The Salutation & Collect

P: 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. Amen.

THE FIRST READING: Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. ¹³When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers. ¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) ¹⁶and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through the mouth of David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷he was one of our number and shared in this ministry." ¹⁸(With the reward he got for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out. ¹⁹Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For," said Peter, "it is written in the book of Psalms, " 'May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it,' ²¹and, " 'May another take his place of leadership.' ²¹Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." ²⁶Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE: 1 John 5:9-15

⁹We accept man's testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. ¹⁰Anyone who believes in the Son of God has this testimony in his heart. Anyone who does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because he has not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL HYMN: "What a Beautiful Name"

Words & Music by:
Brooke Ligertwood & Ben Fielding
CCLI Song #1672462

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You,
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast, of sin and grave

The heavens are roaring,
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival,
You have no equal
Now and forever, God, You reign!
Yours is the Kingdom!
Yours is the glory!
Yours is the Name, above all names!
What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

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The GOSPEL: John 17:11b-19

P: The Gospel according to St. John the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

(Please be seated)

^{11b}Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—so that they may be one as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. ¹³"I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. ¹⁴I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

The Nicene Creed

The Offering / Offertory: LSB 941 vs. 1, 3 "We Praise You & Acknowledge You"

(Please stand)

The Prayers

Admonition to Communicants

P: I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which Christ presents his body and blood to us for forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that he showed us when he saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by his blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, his body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in his name, according to his command, and with his own words administer and receive the Testament.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

The Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Sanctus Hymn: LSB 940 (vs. 1 & 2) "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 641 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

LSB 644 vs. 1-4 "The Church's One Foundation"

(Please stand)

Post Communion Collect

The Benediction

CLOSING HYMN: LSB 881 "Christ, Mighty Savior"

Silent Prayer

Announcements