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*In response to God's love for us, we **SERVE** God,
SUPPORT Christian fellowship,
 And **SPREAD** the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Order of Worship –9:00 AM
 + Service of Holy Communion +
 Divine Service, Setting One (LSB)

AS WE GATHER – *Some of the most memorable portraits of Jesus shared with us by the Gospel writers depict times when He prayed. We remember Him teaching the disciples to pray when He was on the mountain, sharing the heart of His teaching. We have the powerful portrait of Him praying in the Garden of Gethsemane the night He was betrayed. And in John's Gospel is recorded what is known as the High Priestly Prayer of our Lord. Jesus prayed for His people during His earthly ministry; He continues that praying for us. In his first epistle, John writes that "we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (1 John 2:1). There is holy conversation in heaven just as sure as there is holy conversation on earth when we pray!*

PRESERVICE MUSIC / PIANO DUET

"Alleluia"

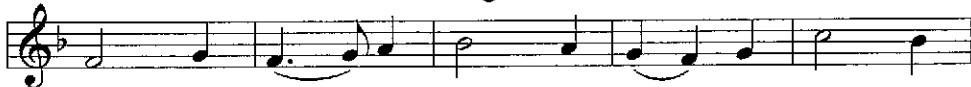
WELCOME

[♯Means please stand; ♯Means please be seated]

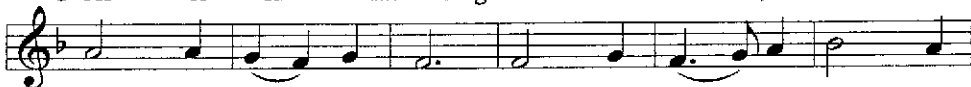
♯OPENING HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of
 scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the

(continued)

tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
 near us; Faith be - lies, nor ques - tions how.
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.
 tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.

Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in
 Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der

like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both
 like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of

ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."
 get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - rist - ic feast.
 ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

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INVOCATION

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
C Amen.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- P** *Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.*
C 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.

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 \div Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT

Psalm 27:1a, 4-5, 10, 14; antiphon: v. 7

P Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

C be gracious to me and answer me!

P The LORD is my light and my salvation;

C whom shall I fear?

P One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

C that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

P For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

C he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

P For my father and my mother have forsaken me,

C but the LORD will take me in.

P Wait for the LORD;

C be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

C be gracious to me and answer me!

KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast

Refrain



☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and



3 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and



4 Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and might be to



5 For the Lamb who was slain has be-



blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. *Refrain*



hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are His. *Refrain*



join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: *Stanza 4*



God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men. *Refrain*



gun His reign. Al-le-lu-ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



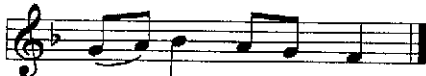
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Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ *The Lord be with you.*



☐ *And al-so with you.*

☐ *Let us pray.*

All: Risen and Ascended Lord, You now pray for us at the throne of the Father. Keep all those whom You love in Your name, O Lord, that they may be one even as You and the Father are One; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

☐ FIRST READING

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

Acts 1:12-26

☐ *This is the Word of the Lord.*

☐ **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

1 John 5:9-15

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

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

ALLELUIA VERSE

G Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:11b-19

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

G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

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

G Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Son of God, Eternal Savior

LSB 842

1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and

truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us

Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
Free-ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of
Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your

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glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered
will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our
love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.
hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

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SERMON

"JESUS PRAYS FOR YOU"

John 17:11b-19

- I. Loneliness is a common problem in modern America, especially during the pandemic.
- II. Jesus invites us to pray to Him as He prays for us.

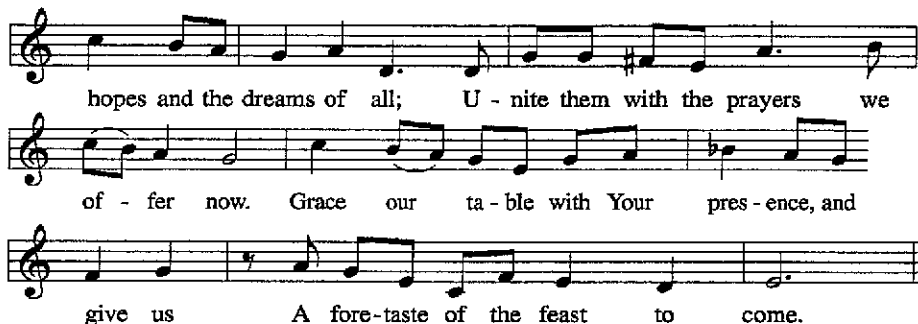
NICENE CREED

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 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 worshipped 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.

OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the



hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore-taste of the feast to come.

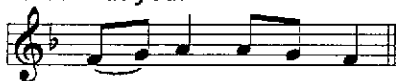
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *In peace, let us pray to the Lord, beseeching Him for the needs of ourselves and others. Trusting in God's loving response, we pray for the Church and all who are called to lives of service to God's people. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *We pray for the blessing of God upon our nation and its leaders that we may lead peaceable lives. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *We pray for the needs of ourselves and others for healing and restoration, for solace and comfort, [especially . . .]. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *We pray for ourselves, that the Holy Spirit would guide us into gracious ways and instill in us a holy confidence in the goodness of our God. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *With thanks for the faithful examples set by those whose earthly journeys are complete and whose witness to Christ yet inspires us, Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *These things and all else that we should have asked, grant us according to Your gracious will, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.*
- C** **Amen.**

PREFACE

- P** *The Lord be with you.*



C **And al - so 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 Him thanks and praise.**

P *It is truly good, right, and proper that we should give thanks to You, Heavenly Father, for in Jesus Christ You have shown Your saving power and Your great compassion. In amazing love, He sacrificed Himself and shed His blood for the forgiveness of our sins. His unending love leads Him to intercede for us and brings our cares to Your throne of grace. Grant that we live in humility, honoring our Savior in all that we do and rejoicing that we are granted a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us that we rejoice in the gifts before us and praise You with thankful hearts. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:*

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P *Blessed are You, O Lord of heaven and earth. We give thanks to You for the gifts of bread and wine here before us and for Your gracious provision for all Your creatures. Invited by Your grace and supported by Your love, we come to Your Table with thanksgiving and praise. Grant that we with true faith and trust in Your words of promise receive the bread and wine, that is, the very body and blood of Christ, as a guarantee of the salvation that He purchased for us through His innocent suffering and death on the cross. Receive our prayers and praises and grant us Your abiding peace. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.*

C Amen.

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.

DISTRIBUTION

Come, My Soul, with Every Care

LSB 779

- 1 Come, my soul, with ev-'ry care, Je - sus loves to an - swer prayer;
- 2 Thou art com - ing to a King, Large pe - ti - tions with thee bring;
- 3 With my bur - den I be - gin: Lord, re - move this load of sin;
- 4 Lord, Thy rest to me im - part, Take pos - ses - sion of my heart;

He Him - self has bid thee pray, There - fore will not turn a - way.
 For His grace and pow'r are such None can ev - er ask too much.
 Let Thy blood, for sin - ners spilt, Set my con - science free from guilt.
 There Thy blood - bought right main - tain And with - out a ri - val reign.

5. While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer;
As my guide, my guard, my friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.
6. Show me what is mine to do;
Ev'ry hour my strength renew.
Let me live a life of faith;
Let me die Thy people's death.

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Choir Selection

"Day by Day"

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear His name.

He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P *Let us pray. Gracious God, our Heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.*

A - men.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

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

A - men.

CLOSING HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

LSB 644

1 The Church's one foun-da-tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der The world sees her op-pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,

She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis-tressed,
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more
And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.

From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
O bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
 And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
 That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

"Let There Be Joy"

by Beatrice A. Miller

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

Acolyte Steve Rolan
 Altar Guild Marilyn Kettner & Beth Tevah
 Communion Assistant Bob Sees
 Counter Carl Kurth
 Organist / Music Director Beth Buss
 Special Music: Christ Choristers; Handbells; Beth Buss, Director
 Duet: Kae Kemerling, Pianist
 Sanitation CEO (Clean Every Object) Al Axford
 Service Web Recorder Robert Showalter
 Service Live Streaming..... Dave Adam
 Usher Phil Vandre
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SANCTIFY THEM IN THE TRUTH; **YOUR VOICE IS TRUTH.**  
**JOHN 17:17**