SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 21, 2023
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HYMN OF INVOCATION "He's Risen, He's Risen"

LSB 480

+ Invocation, Confession and Absolution +

LSB 151

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

Cong.: Amen.

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

us.

Cong.: 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.

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

Cong.: 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.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: Amen.

+ INTROIT +

Psalm 27: 1, 11a, 12; antiphon: Ps. 27:7a,

8b, 9a

Pastor: Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alleluia.

Cong.: Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alleluia

Pastor: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

Cong.: The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Pastor: Teach me your way, O LORD;

Cong.: give me not up to the will of my adversaries;

Pastor: for false witnesses have risen against me,

Cong.: and they breathe out violence.

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.

Pastor: Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, Alleluia

Cong.: Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alleluia

+ KYRIE + LSB 152

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the LORD.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us

pray to the LORD.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious LORD.

Cong.: Amen.

+ HYMN OF PRAISE + "Gloria in Excelsis"

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Pastor: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

Cong: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

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

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

+ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY +

Pastor: The LORD be with you. **Cong.: And also, with you.**

Pastor: O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens,

leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirt of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 36: 22-28

²² "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³ And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴ I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. ²⁸ You shall dwell in the

land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God." This is the Word of the LORD.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE 1 Peter 4: 7-14

⁷The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ¹² 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. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia

+ THE HOLY GOSPEL +

John 15:26-16:4

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶ "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. ¹⁶ "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. ² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. ³ And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. ⁴ But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you." This is the Gospel of the LORD.

Cong.: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN: "How Firm a Foundation"

LSB 728

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

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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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, **Cong.: hear our prayer.**

CREATE IN ME p. 192

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER + (sung)

LSB 162

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 debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen.

COLLECT

Pastor: Lord God, we humbly confess to You that we deserve Your fatherly chastisement for our sins; yet we earnestly implore You, for Your name's sake, to spare us in this time of disaster. Restrain all harmful powers and help Your suffering people that Your Word may be declared faithfully and without hindrance and that we, amending our sinful lives, may walk in safety and peace according to Your holy commandments; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

BENEDICTION 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 ℜ give you peace.

Cong.: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN "Son of God, Eternal Savior"

LSB 842



Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Bill Vlasak

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH: Sunday, May 21

8:00 am Divine Service 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Divine Service 11:30 am Coffee Bites 12:00 pm Youth Catechism

Wednesday, May 24

9:00 am Women of Faith 5:00 pm Divine Service

Looking Ahead:

May 28 – The Day of Pentecost, Wear Red

Happy Birthday

Charles Reay 23rd Mike Freeman 27th

Happy Anniversary

Pastor Kenneth & Susan Hinrichs 22nd (47 years) Ken & Sandra Piper 26th (27 years) Louis & Janet Courtney 27th (63 years)