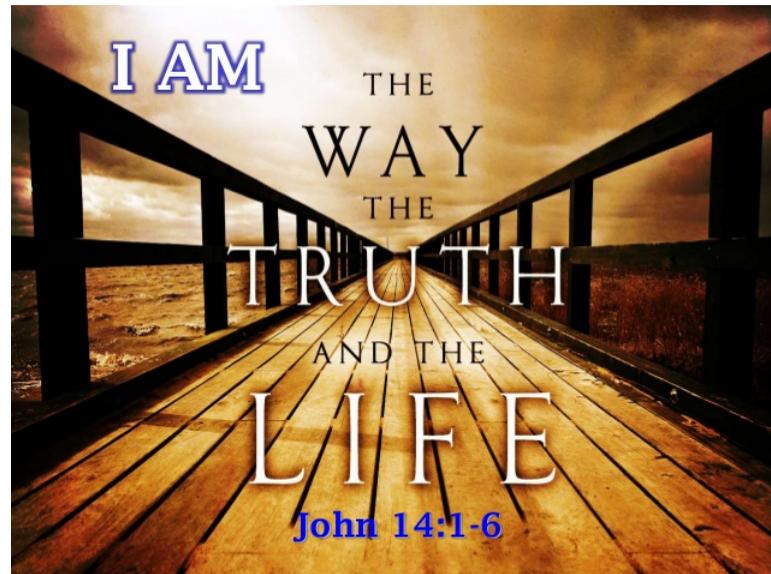


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**May 10, 2020**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

WELCOM/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image,

**and planted us in a well-watered garden.**

In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched,

**and you gave us water from the rock.**

When we did not know the way,

**you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.**

At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day,

**you shower us again with the waters of life.**

We praise you for your salvation through water,

**for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere.**

Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

**To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

*(Remember your baptism! Dip your hand into a bowl of water and trace the sign of the cross upon your forehead!)*

GATHERING HYMN: NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES #379

- 1. Now the green blade rises from the buried grain; wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain; love lives again, that with the dead has been; love is come again like wheat arising green.**
- 2. In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain; thinking that he would never wake again; laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen; love is come again like wheat arising green.**
- 3. Forth he came at Easter like the risen grain; he that for three days in the grave had lain; raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen; love is come again like wheat arising green.**

4. When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain; your touch can call us back to life again; fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been; love is come again like wheat arising green.

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

### KRYIE: PG. 138

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

### THIS IS THE FEAST: PG. 140

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

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. (Refrain)
2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. (Refrain)
3. 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. (Refrain)
4. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his

risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### CHILDRENS SERMON

#### FIRST READING: ACTS 7:55-60

<sup>55</sup> But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup> “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” <sup>57</sup> But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup> Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup> While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” <sup>60</sup> Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

<sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame;  
**in your righteousness deliver me.**

<sup>2</sup> Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.

**Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.**

<sup>3</sup> You are indeed my rock and my fortress;

**for your name’s sake lead me and guide me,**

<sup>4</sup> take me out of the net that is hidden for me,

**for you are my refuge.**

<sup>5</sup> Into your hand I commit my spirit;

**you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.**

<sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand;

**deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.**

<sup>16</sup> Let your face shine upon your servant;

**save me in your steadfast love.**

#### SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2:2-10

<sup>2</sup> Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup> Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and <sup>5</sup> like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>7</sup> To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,” <sup>8</sup> and

“A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: PG. 142**

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

The holy gospel according to St. John the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: JOHN 14:1-14**

**14** “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to the place where I am going.” <sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” <sup>8</sup> Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG #763**

1. **My life flows on in endless song, above earth’s lamentation; I catch the sweet though far off hymn that hails a new creation. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**

2. **Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**
3. **What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth! What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth! No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**
4. **The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**

**NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Lord in your mercy...hear our prayer.

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

### **BLESSING**

The blessing of the living God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage. **Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN: WHAT A FELLOWSHIP, WHAT A JOY DIVINE #774**

- 1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms. What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms. Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**
- 2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim ay, leaning on the everlasting arms. Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms. Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**
- 3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms. I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms. Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

### **DISMISSAL:**

Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. **OK WE WILL!!!**