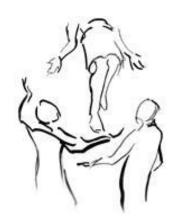


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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ASCENSION

May 24, 2020



THE PRELUDE

Dr. Susan Waters, Musician

WELCOME TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(We stand.)

GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

AN OPENING DIALOGUE

- 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.
- P You are the treasured people of the Lord,
- C a people holy to the Lord our God.
- P Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.
- C Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.
- P We do not live by bread alone,
- C but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.
- C Amen.
- P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE GATHERING SONG

NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE



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THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG

SONG OF PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

I Love You Lord



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CHILDREN'S SERMON

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

⁶When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading:

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(We stand.)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 17:1-11

P The holy gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

¹After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

(We sit.)

THE SERMON Pastor Scottie

(We stand.)

THE HYMN OF THE DAY

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Words and Music by Peter Scholtes



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APOSTLES' CREED

- A We have been made God's people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

(We sit.)

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Brief Silence

O God, call your people to be one, as you are one. Unite your church in the truth of your gospel, the love of our neighbor, and the call to proclaim your reign to all people. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Breathe life into your creation. Guide your people as we explore the mysteries of the universe. We pray for the work of scientists and mathematicians whose skill enriches our understanding (*like Nicholas Copernicus and Leonard Euler, whom the church commemorates today*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Make your justice known among the nations of the earth. Protect the vulnerable (especially in nations currently in crisis). Redirect those who use violence and greed as weapons. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Come to the aid of your children. We pray for those engulfed in grief, those without supportive families, and for all who are isolated, powerless, or afraid, that all may rest their anxieties in your care. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Give courage to all who embark on new ventures. We especially remember this day those who risked their lives to serve in our armed forces. Grant safety to those serving at home or abroad, and assure them of your never-failing strength. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Raise all your saints to eternal life. Until that day, we give you thanks for the faithful examples of those who have listened to your voice and now rest in you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

(Please greet one another with words of peace.)

MEAL

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.

THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

At The Name of Jesus

Composer, Christopher Walker Text and Music

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who believe that Christ comes in and through the Sacrament, offering forgiveness and new life are encouraged to receive communion. The wine may be received either by sharing the common cup or by dipping the wafer into the intinction vessel.

(We stand.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

- P Let us pray.
- C Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION DIALOGUE AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- P We are claimed by the Lord in our baptism.
- C Now we come to receive the body and blood of Christ in this feast for all believers.
- P Christ bore our sin and through his death reconciled us to God.
- C We come to celebrate the good news of the resurrection, to give thanks, and to celebrate Christ's eternal presence with us.
- 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

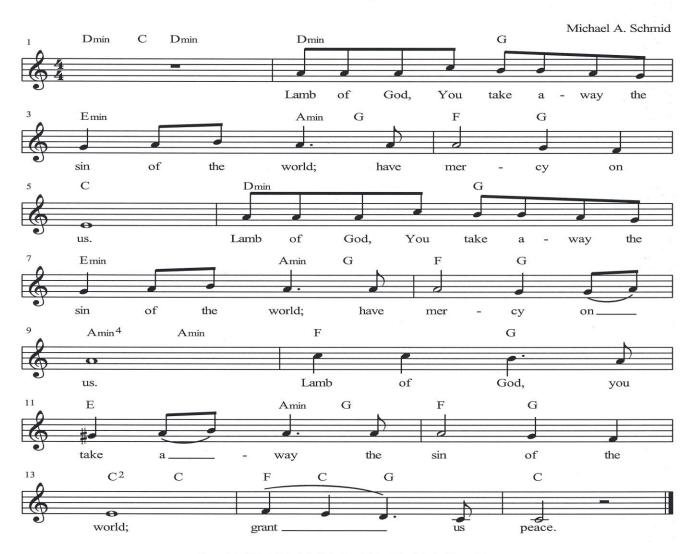
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INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

(We sit.)

Communion Song

Lamb of God

The Liturgy



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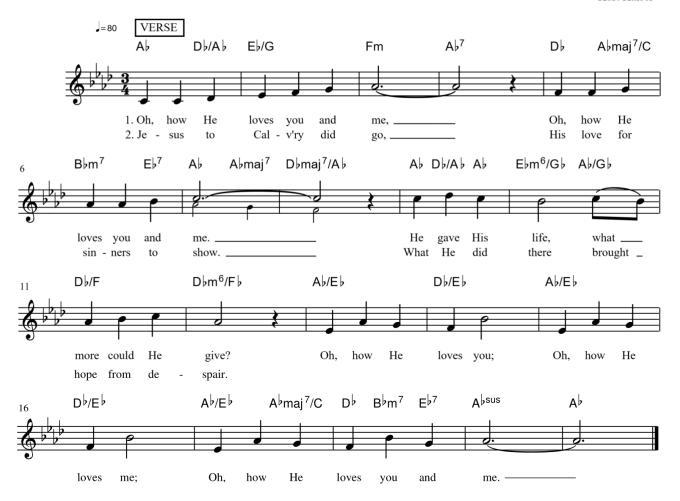


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(We stand.)

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

THE BLESSING

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 - The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
 - The Lord look upon you with favor and ⊕ give you peace.
- C Amen.

He Is Exalted



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DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Sound the good news.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P WE ARE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
- C <u>Helping Transform Lives in Christ</u>

Worship Assistant: Sue Rasmussen

Meals on Wheels

May 24, 2020 - Easter 7

COOKS: James & Carolyn Chandler

DRIVERS:

BLUE- Nitschke

RED- Peters

GREEN - DeBraal

GOLD- Jantzi

May 31, 2020 - Pentecost

COOKS: Jeannie Fortier & Judy Harper

DRIVERS:

BLUE- Mortenson

RED– Orr

GREEN - Kleven

GOLD- Churn

May Care and Concern - Belinda Castille

<u>Announcements</u>

The Adult Sunday Bible Study is meeting by zoom at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings. We are using a Bible Study that is based on current events.

Each week has a different topic such as "People Adapt to Loss of Physical Contact During the Pandemic". We start our sessions with a little visitation, a few minutes of "check-in" to see how everyone is doing. Then, our Bible study lasts about an hour.

Please consider joining us on Sunday even if it's only to say "hello" and to tell us how you are doing.

Just let us know if you have an interest or questions.

You can contact us at nitschke@chartertn.net or Loretta: 677-3907, or Charlie: 677-5836. Then, we can send you an email invitation to the meeting. Yours in Christ,

Loretta & Charlie Nitschke

Continuing until further notice. All in-person church services and other group activities at Holy Trinity have been temporarily suspended. This includes *Tuesday mornings Women's Bible Study, Tuesday Morning Connection with Pastor Scottie and Men's Bible Study Wednesday mornings.*

Please call the office and/or visit the website (<u>www.holytrinitykingsport.org</u>) frequently for updates. Additionally, please check with the Ministry Team Leaders for any changes to meetings or events before coming.

WELCA Kits – We need Soap for our TUB! Please donate Bath Size Bar soap for our Disaster Relief Kits. Put them in the Orange Tub by the elevator. Thank you!

Lifeway Women Live – Pursuing Christ Together. Aug. 7-8, 2020. Greeneville, SC at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena. Please see Loretta Nitschke or Laura Mitchell if interested.

1st Communion Class will be announced as soon as a new date is selected.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Health Issues

Katie Maddox (Marty King's sister) Victoria Burkhart (friend of Hrivnaks)

Melinda Rogers (friend of Trumbos)

Marty King

Wayne Whipp

Barbara Millsap (Jeff Bedford's sister)

Jean Winstead (Bruce Wilder's sister)

Alyse (Connie Steere's Granddaughter)

Sam Pratt

Judy & Erin Millington (Cecilie Aderholdt's friends)

Kelly Bates (Kathy's Schick's D-I-L)

Barbara Miles (Marty King's sister)

Kaleb McMurray (Jo McMurray's nephew)

Edith Hildebrand

Shannon & Laurel Wilder (Wilder's family)

Bruce Wilder

David Reames

James Griffith (Carolyn Cooper's Brother)

Marilyn Rich

Pam Churn

Anita Dievert

Charles McClure

Talon Huff

Bob Bedford (Jeff Bedford's father)

Carole Ferguson (Larry Landis' sister)

Laura Louthan (Jim Louthan's sister)

Scott Parker (friend of Kristy Jones, MOW recipient)

Ray Lindsey (Kyley Burse's father)

Kristi Grady

Charlie & Huey Taylor

(Laura Mitchell's friend's grandbabies)

Father of Farrah Cooper's co-worker

Carl Buick (Bruce Wilder's friend)

Bill Cooper

Amy Comier (Rachel Childress' niece)

Duane Calhoun (Diane Childress' friend)

Kathy Szymanski

Farrah Cooper

Roger Boggs

Beth Gula (Marilyn Rich's niece)

Pamela Hayhurst (DeBraal's family friend)

Judy Dolen (Laura Mitchell's neighbor)

Mrs. Dan Cleven's daughter, Renae

Diane Miller (Flo Weierbach's cousin)

Military /First Responders

MAJ Will Huerth- USA, Leigh Bergemann's son Maj Sam Oswald- USAF, The Mortenson's nephew LtCol John Thompson- USAF. The Mortenson's

nephew

LTC James Hoffman- Jo Ella Carter's son in law

SrA Cory lee Steadman- USAF, Tim & Viorica's son

Lt Adam Patterson- USAF, The Patterson's

Grandson (Randy's son)

Cpl Travis Churn, USMC - Cal and Pam

Churn's nephew

Nursing Home, Assisted Living, Or Homebound

Marilee Frye- home

Dorothy Pamperl - Pam Churn's mother - The Blake

Marion Hansen- The Blake

Bob McLellan- Wexford House

Kyle Jenkins- home

David and Edith Hildebrand - Asbury Place

Dottie Newsome - Asbury Place

Family/Personal

Laynee and Aizlyn (Great granddaughters of Larry &

Inez Glauer)

Taylor Jennings (granddaughter of Larry & Inez

Glauer)

Tyler Davidson (Ken Perry's grandson)

Brian Hrivnak

Kirk Hrivnak

Loss & Grief

Family and Friends of Fred Alphonse Carlson, Jr.

Family and Friends of Karen Weierbach

(Flo Weierbach's SIL)

"They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

Reminder if you missed a service...

During our separation due to COVID 19, **all** of our HTLC on-line Worship Services and Pastor Scottie's Words of Encouragement Video Messages can be found on our church website at this link:

https://holytrinitykingsport.org/worship_services

You will also be able to **download the Worship Bulletin for that service** on the same page as the video. Please call the church office if you need help.

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