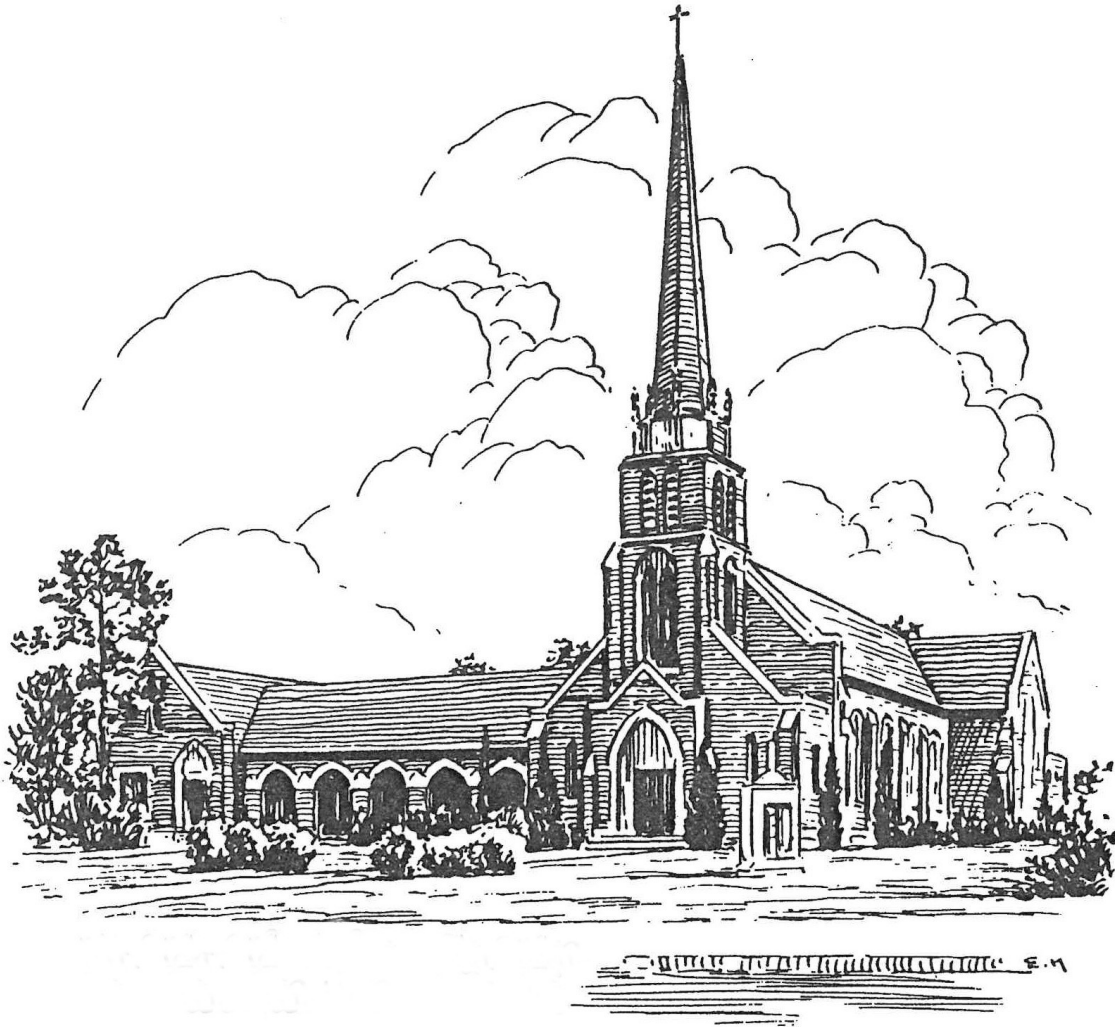


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**9:15 AM - May 12, 2024 - Seventh Sunday of Easter
Youth/Graduation Sunday
ALIVE! Worship Service**

INTRODUCTION

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

Bind Us Together

Refrain

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that

can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,

bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love.

1 There is on - ly one God. There is
2 You are the fam - 'ly of God. You are the

on - ly one King. There is on - ly one Bod - y;
prom - ise di - vine. You are God's cho - sen de - sire, . . .

that is why we can sing:
you are the glo - rious new wine.

There is a Redeemer

E \flat B \flat /D E \flat A \flat /C B \flat ⁷/D E \flat B \flat /D E \flat A \flat /C B \flat E \flat B \flat

1 There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son,
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names,
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see his face;

E \flat B \flat /D E \flat A \flat E \flat /G Fm⁷ B \flat ⁷ sus E \flat A \flat /B \flat

pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, hope for sin - ners slain.
 there I'll serve my king for - ev - er, in that ho - ly place.

Refrain
 E \flat sus² E \flat Gm⁷ A \flat E \flat /G Fm A \flat /B \flat B \flat ⁷ E \flat B \flat ⁷ sus B \flat ⁷

Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us your Son and

E \flat B \flat /D E \flat A \flat /C E \flat /B \flat A \flat Fm⁷ B \flat ⁷ sus B \flat ⁷ E \flat

send - ing your Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying". It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;" and "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace."

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PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Dear Graduates: At this special time in your life we are eager to show you how delighted we are that you have reached this milestone in your life. As fellow members of this community of faith we rejoice with you and want you to know of our pride and excitement as you move from this accomplishment into the next phase of your life. We also want you to know that wherever you go and whatever you do, you are going forward with our prayers for God's continued guidance, power, protection, and strength.

Let us pray. O Lord Jesus Christ, when you welcomed the children your invitation included each one of us. Your guiding hand has continually been upon these young men and women. You have sustained them. You have shared in their laughter and wiped away their tears. In times of confusion you have offered direction. In times of sorrow you have offered hope. In times of doubt your Holy Spirit has lifted them up. Grant, O Savior, to each of these graduates the knowledge of your continued presence as they go forth into the future. Guide their steps. Hold them in the hollow of your hand. Bless them and keep them now and forever. **Amen.**

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Joey Sullivan

HYMN OF PRAISE

Majesty

G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B Am⁷ C/D D

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty: un - to

G D/F# Em⁷ A⁷ D⁷sus D⁷

Je - sus be all glo - ry, hon - or, and praise.

G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B Am⁷ Cm/Eb

Maj - es - ty, king - dom au - thor - i - ty flows from his

G/D Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G C/G G

throne un - to his own; his an - them raise.

Bm⁷ Bbdim⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G

So ex - alt, lift up on high the name of Je - sus.

G Bm⁷ Bbdim⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷/C B

Mag - ni - fy, come glo - ri - fy Christ Je - sus, the king.

Am⁷ D G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty:

Am⁷ Cm/Eb G/D Am⁷

Je - sus who died, now glo - ri - fied,

D⁷ C/D D⁷ *To repeat* G C/G G *Last time* Em Am⁷ Cm/Eb

King of all kings. kings. Je - sus who

G/D Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G C/G G

died, now glo - ri - fied, King of all kings.

A READING

1 John 5:9-13

A reading from 1 John.

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM HYMN

I will delight

G D/F# Em Bm
I will de - light in the law of the Lord; I will med -

C G D/F#
i - tate day and night. Then, like a tree firm - ly plant -

Em Bm C D G D
ed, I'll be ground - ed in your word. Bless - ed

C/D D Am/G G D/G G
is the one who fol - lows the way of the Lord;

D C D G
bless - ed is the one.

GOSPEL

John 17:6-19

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

[Jesus prayed:] 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. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Emily Hutto
Tristan Spainhour

ANTHEM

I Speak Jesus

Benton

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Holy God, we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through ✝ Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

Jesus, name above all names

Je - sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful
Sav - ior, glo - ri - ous Lord,
Em - man - u - el, God is with us,
bless - ed Re - deem - er, liv - ing Word.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 12/8 time signature. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff has a D chord above the first measure and an F#m7 chord above the second measure. The second staff has an Em7 chord above the first measure and an A chord above the second measure. The third staff has a D chord above the first measure and an F#m7 chord above the second measure. The fourth staff has an Em7 chord above the first measure, an A7 chord above the second measure, a D chord with a fermata above the third measure, and a G/A A chord above the fourth measure. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

May the God of Hope Go with Us

Song of Hope / Canto de esperanza

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff has three measures with chords G, Am, and D7. The second staff has one measure with chord G. The third staff has three measures with chords Am, D7, and G. The fourth staff has four measures with chords G, Am, D7, and G. The fifth staff has four measures with chords G, Am, D7, and G. The lyrics are written below the notes.

May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our
¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en

lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -

on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.

Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;
O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.

work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.
Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.

This Argentine folk melody sets Spanish and English words, both created by a PC(USA) missionary with much Latin American experience. The two versions complement each other: the Spanish text offering a prayer to God, and the English one providing inspiration for the singers.

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

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FOR FURTHER STUDY

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us— one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

PSALM 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God’s teaching day and night.

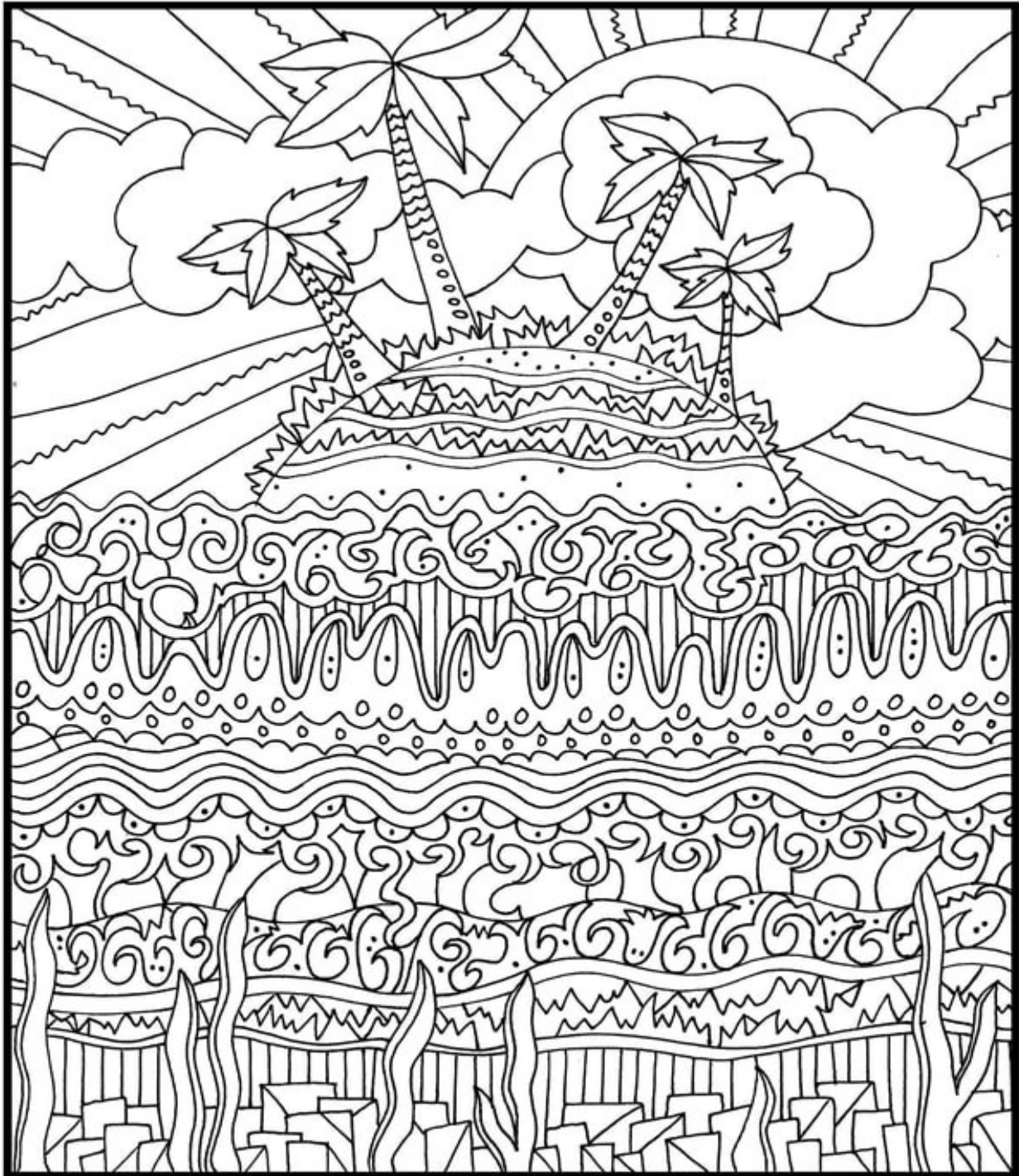
³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;

everything they do shall prosper.

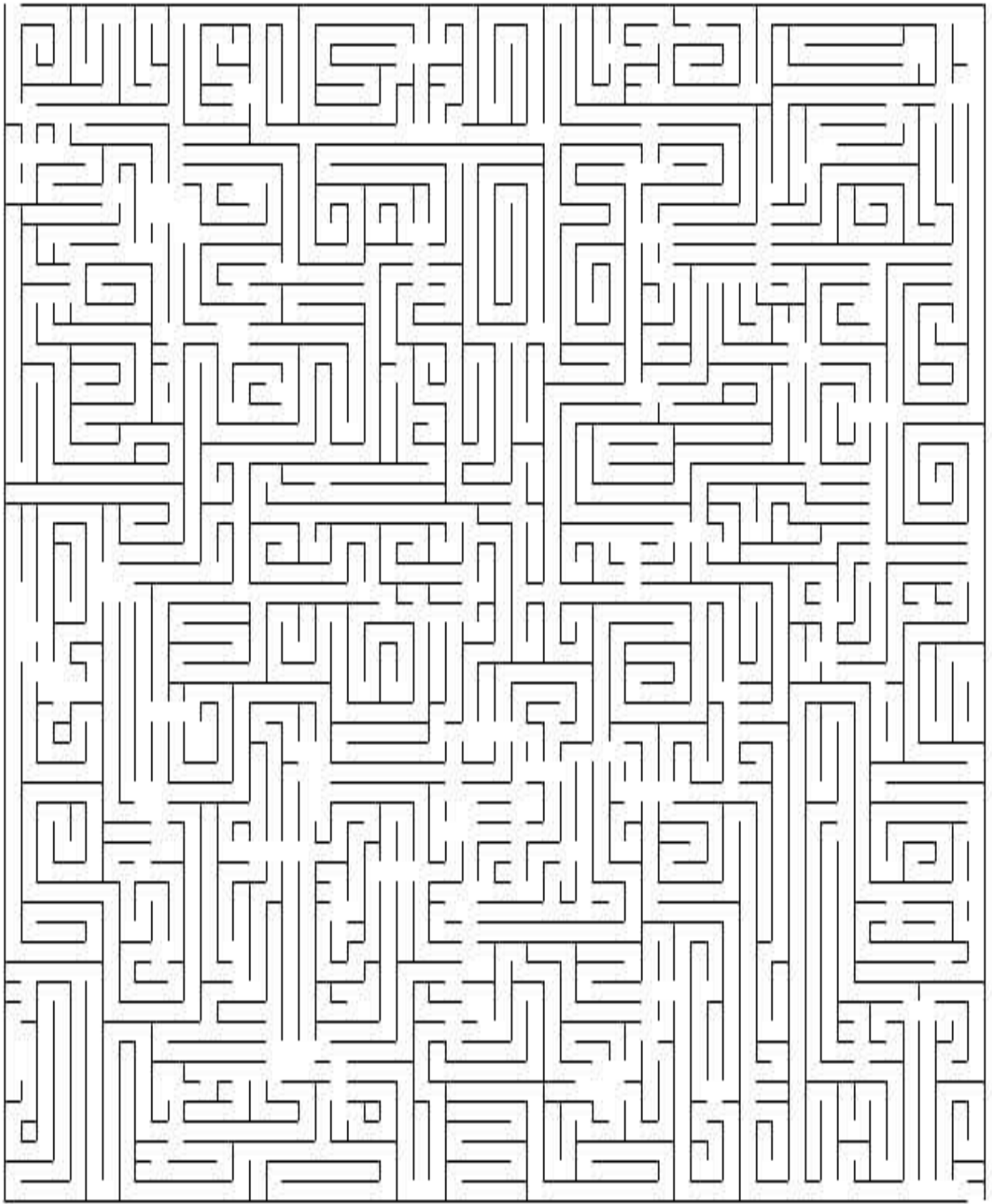
⁴It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.



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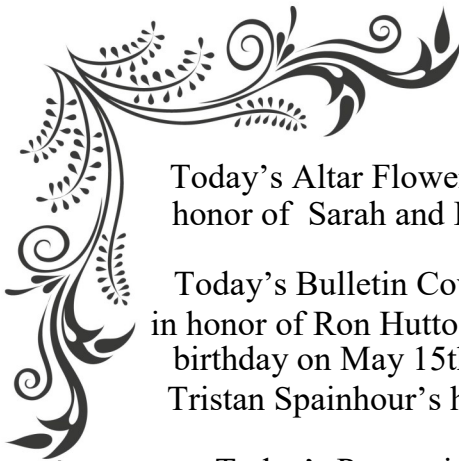
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Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Sarah and Danny's birthdays by Sharon Mattern.

Today's Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Ron Hutto's birthday on May 13th, Emily Hutto's birthday on May 15th and Emily Hutto, Hannah Fogle and Tristan Spainhour's high school graduation by Patsy Hutto.

Today's Processional Cross Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Thomas Stork and in honor of the Youth of Mount Tabor by Tom and Carol Stork.

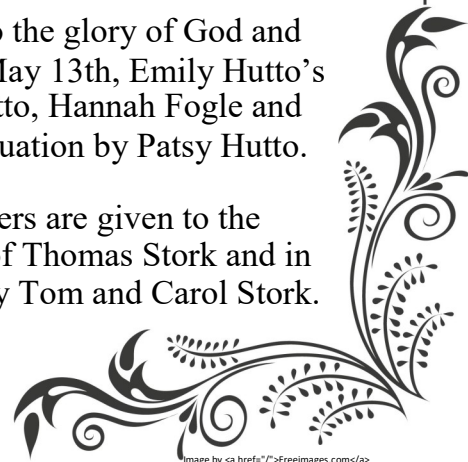


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Lord Teach Us To Pray:

As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: Jeremy Goings, Bob Livingston, Annabelle Wilson, Isabelle Wilson, Kase Boone, Jason Nelson, Adam Payne George Caulder, Abigail Caulder, Veronica Cargile, Adam Davis, Todd Stilwell, Freddy Vallejo, Kaitlyn Neff, Al Jordan, Alyssa Todd.

Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Sandra Baker, Betty Keisler, Wanda Addy, Ron Hutto, Bruce Merchant
Ann Crout, Al & Judy Jordan

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