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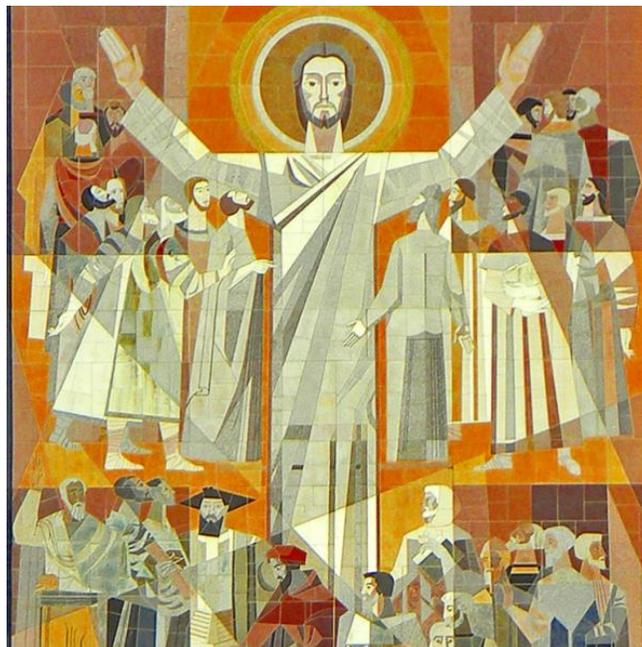
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## *Easter 7*

*Sunday May 16, 2021*



## PREACHER & PRESIDING MINISTER – Pastor Martha Neff Stum

### Prelude

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Pastor:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People:* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Pastor:* Be glad and rejoice in what God is creating – a new heaven and a new earth.

*People:* **The promise of joy and gladness for all people.**

*Pastor:* The promise of Eden restored, where every living creature lives in harmony.

*People:* **Promises fulfilled in Jesus Christ, who died to defeat evil, and rose to give us life.**

*Pastor:* So let us be glad and rejoice in what God has created in us – new life – the life of the risen Christ.

*People:* **Alleluia! Amen!**

### GREETING

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Pastor:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People:* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Pastor:* Let us pray:

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

*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.*

# WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

## First Reading

### A reading from Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, <sup>16</sup>“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—<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning 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.” <sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

**Lector:** *The Word of God for the people of God.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 1

<sup>1</sup>Happy 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!

<sup>2</sup>**Their delight is in the law | of the Lord,  
and they meditate on God’s teaching | day and night. R**

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

everything they | do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>**It is not so | with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,  
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>**For the Lord knows the way | of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed. R**

## Second Reading

### A reading from 1 John 5:9-13

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those 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. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

<sup>13</sup>I 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.

**Lector:** *The Word of God for the people of God.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

## Gospel Acclamation

**Pastor:** *Alleluia. I will not leave you orphaned, | says the Lord.\* I am com- | ing to you.  
Alleluia. (John 14:18)*

## The Gospel Reading

### The Holy Gospel according to John 17:6-19

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>6</sup>"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. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for 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. <sup>9</sup>I 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. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And 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. <sup>12</sup>While 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. <sup>13</sup>But 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. <sup>14</sup>I 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. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

**Lector:** *The Gospel of our Lord,*

**People:** *Glory to you, O Christ.*

## The Sermon ~ Pastor Martha Neff Stum

## The Apostles' Creed

*Pastor: God has made us his 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.*

### \*Prayers of the People

After each petition of the prayers:

*Lector: Hear us, O God.  
People: Your mercy is great.*

*Lector: In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your  
never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
People: Amen.*

### \*Sharing of the Peace

*Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
People: And also with you.*

### \*Offering Prayer

*Pastor: God of love,  
you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table.  
Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.  
Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world;  
for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.  
People: Amen.*

## **\*The Great Thanksgiving**

**Pastor:** *The Lord be with you.*

**People:** ***And also with you.***

**Pastor:** *Lift up your hearts.*

**People:** ***We lift them to the Lord.***

**Pastor:** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People:** ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

## **\*Preface**

**Pastor:** *It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

## ***Holy! Holy! Holy!*** (Spoken)

***Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

**Pastor:** *You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.  
You are most holy,  
and great is the majesty of your glory.  
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but have eternal life.  
We give you thanks for his coming into the world  
to fulfill for us your holy will  
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.  
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.  
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

**People:**     ***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

**Pastor:**     *Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,  
and the promise of his coming again,  
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought but as we are able;  
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
may be formed to live as your holy people  
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.  
To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.*

**People:**     ***Amen.***

**Pastor:**     *Now gathered into one by the Holy Spirit we pray as Jesus taught us.*

### **\*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.***

### **Invitation to Communion**

**Pastor:**     *The risen Christ invites us to this table.  
Come, eat and be satisfied.*

## Communion Music

### \*Prayer after Communion

**Pastor:** *Wellspring of joy,  
through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts.  
Satisfy the hunger still around us,  
and send us as joyful witnesses,  
that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**People:** **Amen**

### \*Blessing

**Pastor:** *May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom  
to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.  
The God of life,  
Father,  $\mp$  Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.***

### \*Dismissal

**Pastor:** *Go in peace. Share the good news.*  
**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Our worship gatherings will be posted on YouTube at...

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLC7bdt-eCGNxURxFef-NSGadlffLHnDxG>

And they are linked to the church website.

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Most small group meetings have resumed online. Please contact your individual leader. If you have questions call the church office, which will remain closed till further notice, however staff will still be taking care of essential tasks and available when needed. Contact them by email or phone.

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For all of our community, please wash hands frequently, refrain from shaking hands, and honor the boundaries of others to stay safe.

Thank you for your understanding and care in this unprecedented time. Please watch for further communication.



**Please add to your prayer list:**

Mert Ingvaldstad

Sonja Dunn

Gerry Meyer

Mary Neff

Joy Neverman

Lois Olsrud

The family of Patricia Skones at her recent death.

All those we hold dear in our hearts.

Sunday, May 23, 2021

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b, Romans 8:22-27, John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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