



Home Devotional- May 10th- May 16th

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!

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.

Readings and Psalm

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Matthias added to the apostles

Psalm 1

The Lord knows the way of the righteous. (Ps. 1:6)

1 John 5:9-13

Life in the Son of God

John 17:6-19

Christ's prayer for his disciples

Questions for Reflection

1. What does testimony mean? What forms does God's testimony take? (1 John 5:9-11)
2. What are the characteristics and priorities of Jesus being sent into the world? (John 17:18)
3. What spiritual practices help you yield fruit in season and retain green leaves? (Psalm 1:3)

Pray the Lord's Prayer Together

Bless one another saying:

May God bless you this week and always. AMEN

Resources:

Text and Prayers: Sundaysandseasons.com - Questions- Workingpreacher.org