

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:24-26)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN "Love in Christ is Strong and Living"

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POSTLUDE — *LAUDES DOMINI*

arr. Noel Rawsthorne

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8:00AM DIVINE SERVICE

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Seventh Sunday of Easter 29 May 2022

Please register your presence with us
by filling out one of the Member/Guest cards found in the pew rack in front of you
and giving it to an usher or placing into the offering plate.

AS WE GATHER

The Early Church realized that there should be twelve apostles, as they carried on the ministry our Lord gave them. So they replaced Judas with Matthias. Their names are even inscribed in the foundations of the perfect new Jerusalem in John's vision in Revelation. There, Jesus identifies Himself as "the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end" (Revelation 22:13). There is no other; He is perfectly united with the Father. Because of our imperfect condition, however, our Lord prays for our oneness with Him, "so that the world may know that You sent Me and loved them even as You loved Me" (John 17:23). Today, we ask God to help us display the oneness and love that we have received from Him, rejoicing with the psalmist, "Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!" (Psalm 133:1).

PRELUDE — EVENTIDE arr. Daniel E. Gawthrop

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "By All Your Saints in Warfare"

sts. 1, 13, 3; # **517**

☆ SERVICE of PREPARATION **☆**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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INVOCATION

(Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the \mathbf{H} Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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EXHORTATION (1 John 1:8-9)

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)

Psalm 61:3, 5–8; antiphon: v. 1

C Amen

INTROIT

¹Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer;

³for You have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy.

⁵For You, O God, have heard my vows; You have given me the heritage of those who fear Your name.

⁶Prolong the life of the King; may His years endure to all generations!

⁷May He be enthroned forever before God; appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over Him!

⁸So will I ever sing praises to Your name, as I perform my vows day after day.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

¹Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer. ²⁰[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You have sent Me. ²²The glory that You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one even as We are one, ²³I in them and You in Me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that You sent Me and loved them even as You loved Me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, may be with Me where I am, to see My glory that You have given Me because You loved Me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know You, I know You, and these know that You have sent Me. ²⁶I made known to them Your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which You have loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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HYMN OF THE DAY "Christ Is the World's Redeemer"

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SERMON

OFFERING — ACH GOTT UND HERR

J. G Walther



(Mark 10:47) pg. 168

KYRIE ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

¹Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His servants will worship Him. ⁴They will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

⁶And He said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent His angel to show His servants what must soon take place." . . .

¹²"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing My recompense with Me, to repay everyone for what He has done. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

¹⁶"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

¹⁸I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, ¹⁹ and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

²⁰He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

I This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE (Stand)

Romans 6:9; John 14:18

L Alleluia.

C

We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.

I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia.

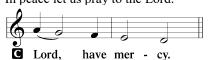
HOLY GOSPEL John 17:20-26

(Jesus prays that His followers may be one as He and the Father are one.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter.



P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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

⅓ SERVICE of the WORD ⅓



P 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.



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

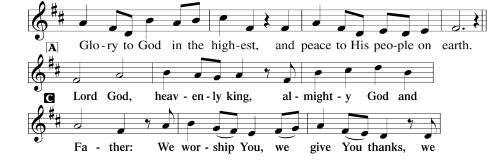


P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.





(Luke 2:14, John 1:29) pg. 170





SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

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- Let us pray...O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen. (Sit)

FIRST READING Acts 1:12-26

(Matthias is chosen to replace Judas as one of the Twelve.)

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John

and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and His brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office."

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 men must become with us a witness to His resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show 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 numbered with the eleven apostles.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 133; antiphon v. 1

¹Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

²It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!

³It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

¹Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!