



7th Sunday of Easter

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Welcome! Words in **bold** are said together.

Call to Worship

*Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Congregation: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

*L: 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.***

Thanksgiving for Baptism

*L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
C: Amen.*

*L: Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!***

*L: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!***

*L: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen.***

*L: Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!***

Gathering Song [intro]– You are Holy (Prince of Peace) from teal songbook

You are holy	(You are holy)
You are mighty	(You are mighty)
You are worthy	(You are worthy)
Worthy of praise	(Worthy of praise)
I will follow	(I will follow)
I will listen	(I will listen)
I will love you	(I will love you)
All of my days	(All of my days)

(Verse 1 part 1)

I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy
I will love and adore Him, I will bow down before Him

(Verse 1 part 2)

You are Lord of lords, You are King of kings

You are mighty God, Lord of everything
You're Emmanuel, You're the Great I Am
You're my Prince of Peace Who is the Lamb

(Verse 2 part 1)

I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy
I will love and adore Him, I will bow down before Him

(Verse 2 part 2)

You're the living God, You're my saving grace
You will reign forever, You are Ancient of Days
You are Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End
You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer and Friend
(together)

You're my Prince of Peace and I will live my life for You!

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Repeat verses 1 & 2

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.

Scripture Readings

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 p. 885

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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1 p. 424

¹Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; ²but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; ⁶for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

1 John 5:9-13 p. 991

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. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 17:6-19 p. 879

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.**

Children's Message

Sermon

David Ingram

Song of the Day – You are the Light by Meg Ojala

Refrain: You are the Light in my life; You are the air that I breathe.
May Your Spirit in me shine as bright as can be.
You are the Light in my Life.

1. Lord, I felt lost and in need; then You came and rescued me.
You entered my soul, and You made me whole.
You are the Light in my Life.
2. I'll be a beacon for You in ev'rything that I do.
Jesus, show me the way and I will obey.
You are the Light in my Life. *Refrain.*

Ending: You are the Light in my Life. You are the Light in my Life.

Apostle's Creed

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 God's People

Each petition ends "Lord, in your mercy," please respond: **hear our prayer.**

Sharing the Peace – L: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.

Offering

Offering Song – Bind Us Together

Refrain: Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together Lord; bind us together in love.

1. There is only one God. There is only one King.
There is only one Body; that is why we can sing. *Refrain.*
2. You are the family of God, you are the promise divine.
You are God's chosen desire, you are the glorious wine. *Refrain.*

Offering Prayer

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving ELW p. 152

Holy, Holy, Holy ELW p. 108

Christ's Words of Institution and Communion

L: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

Post Communion Prayer

L: Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements

- NP Grange needs 4th of July volunteers (jennifer@northpolegrange.org)
- We're collecting glasses for the Lions – basket near the offices
- Coming up: Lord of Life spring Clean Up (date TBD)

Closing Song – You are My All in All

1. You are my strength when I am weak, you are the treasure that I seek,
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool,
You are my all in all.

Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name, Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

2. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again, I bless Your name,
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up, when I am dry, You fill my cup,
You are my all in all. (*Refrain x2*)

Blessing

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. C: Amen.

Dismissal

L: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. C: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

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