**May 24, 2020 — 7th Sunday in Easter Season**interactive worship — Deaf
Sundays, 10am edt, 9am cdt, 7am pdt

*Deaf Episcopal churches and ministries together during coronatide*

[**Link to Zoom Meeting**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81791753536?pwd=d29QMUZTUlpqLzBCdW1uR1pJV29MUT09)[**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81791753536?pwd=d29QMUZTUlpqLzBCdW1uR1pJV29MUT09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81791753536?pwd=d29QMUZTUlpqLzBCdW1uR1pJV29MUT09)

**Easter Acclamation** *(We use it the whole 50 days of Easter Season!)****The Rev. Richard Mahaffy, Diocese of SW Fla.***

*Priest Alleluia! Christ risen – PAH!****People******The Lord risen – PAH! Alleluia!***

**Hymn of Presence** — “Now”

***Ms. Melissa Render, W. Hartford, Conn.***

**Collect (prayer) for Seventh Sunday of Easter**

***The Rev. Richard Mahaffy, Diocese of SW Fla.***

*Priest* The Lord be with you.
***People*** **Also with you.**
*Priest* Let us pray.

Hey God! Good things **YOU** prepare for people loving **YOU**!
—more than we understand! —beyond⭡!

Pour ***into*** our hearts much love ***of*** **YOU**!

happen **YOU** we love **IN** all things, things, things **more than** all things, things, things  ***(Push aside those things)***

eagerly wanting ⇦things🢥 **YOU** promise
 Wonderful! —more than we desire ***or*** imagine can!

through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Himself living, enthroned, caring with **YOU** & Holy Spirit,
3***-of-*⭧YOU**—one God, >ever & ever<. **Amen**.

[**Click here for full text of these EASTER 7a readings as Word Doc (NRSV & Psalm as found in Book of Common Prayer)**](http://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA_RCL/Easter/AEaster6_RCL.docx)

**Reading: Acts 1:6-14
*Mr. Ron Selinger, St. Thomas Deaf Church, DioMO***

*Interesting Facts about Book: Acts of the Apostles*

* *Only book of History in the New Testament.*
* *Begins with the year of Christ’s death (30 AD).*
* *Covers the first 30-35 years of the history of the church after Jesus’ death.*
* *The author of Acts is Luke who wrote the 3rd Gospel: Luke.*

**Famous words from this passage:**

“It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by HIS own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:7-8)

**Reading: Psalm 68:33-36**

***Ms.Fran Croft, St. Barnabas, Diocese of Washington***

33 All ⇦you🢥 kingdoms of the earth, sing to **God**! \*
sing & praise⭧ the **Lord**.

34 In the heavens —ancient!— **HE** rides; \*
**HIS** voice —thunder!— **HE** shouts-shouts.

35 Honor⭧⭧⭯ God’s power! \*
**HE**’s truly king ruling Israel; **HIS** strength where: in the skies.

36 God up-there — **HIS** holy places— wonderful! \*
Israel God! strength, **HIS** people ⇦empowering, empowering, empowering!🢥
Let’s bless God!

**Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-1**

***Ms. Lee Holland, Diocese of Olympia, WA***

**Ideas in this passage:**

* teaches the value of Jesus’ death and resurrection.
* from Rome to Christian churches in Asia Minor about 64-67 AD

**Gospel: John 17:1-11**

***The Rev. Erich Krengel, Dio Conn. & Dio NY***

**Highlights of this Passage:**

Jesus, at the Last Supper, prays to his Father for his friends/apostles:

“Now they know that everything YOU have given me is from YOU. … They know in truth that I came from YOU.
I am asking on their behalf...
All mine are YOURS, and YOURS are mine

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.”

**Reflection** — “Abide” — ***by the Rev. Richard J. Mahaffy, II***

**The Apostles’ Creed**

***Mr. Charlie Weir, St. Thomas Deaf Church, DioMO***

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
   and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again 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** *(People type prayers into Zoom “chat”.)*

***Rev. Emily (Dio MO) or Mother Libby (Dio Wash)***

* We pray for people sad, sick, scared, broke
or any kind of trouble. ***(pause & remember who)***
* For our local communities, nation and world; for our leaders,
all people working harder now, and people who can’t work. ***(pause & remember)***
* For God’s Church all over the world and all our blessings,
we thank YOU, Lord. ***(pause & remember)***
* For people recently died & all people grieving.***(pause & remember who)***

***The intercessor signs prayer requests from Chat, then leads the closing:***

***Together*: Prayers we typed, prayers we thought,
prayers touch-heart, all lifted⭧ (to YOU,) Lord.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

***Ms. Emily Friedberg, Diocese of Atlanta***

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, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

**Collect (prayer) for Sundays**

***The Rev. Richard Mahaffy, Diocese of SW Fla.***

*Priest* The Lord be with you.
***People*** **Also with you.**
*Priest* Let us pray.

Precious God **YOU**, make us glad
 each week remembering
 **YOUR** Son our Lord
 **His** resurrection glory.

Bless us today worshiping **YOU**,
 happen: this week
 our lives, our actions, please **YOU**;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen****.*

**Blessing of Peace**

***The Rev. Richard Mahaffy, Diocese of SW Fla.***

Our understanding is limited.
God’s Peace is beyond⭡!
Let HIS peace keep your hearts & minds knowing & loving God and HIS Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and

God Almighty: Father, Son & Holy Spirit,
bless and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

**Dismissal**

***The Rev. Deacon Suzanne Johnston, Diocese of Rochester***

*Deacon* Alleluia! Go in peace
 to love & serve the Lord.
***People*** **Thanks, God! Alleluia!**

***The people share the Lord’s peace and may stay for coffee hour chat.***

**Today’s Worship Leaders**

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