

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

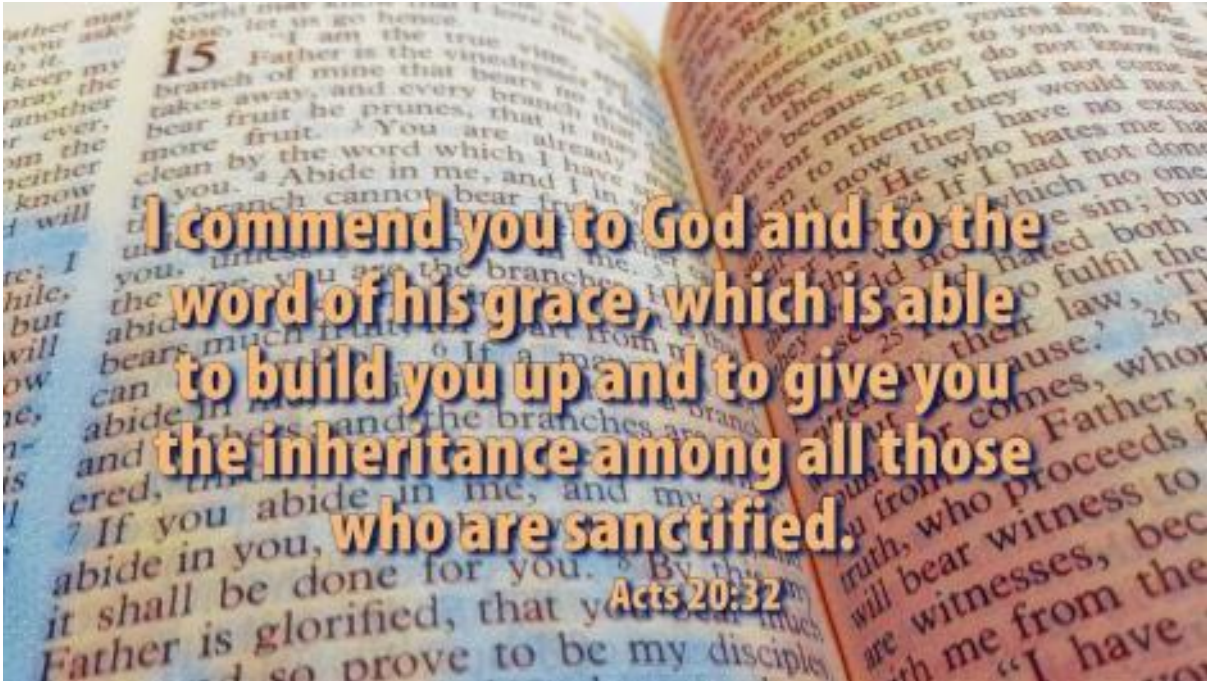
⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Gospel: John 10:22-30

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one.”

Lessons for Next Week

Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 150; Revelation 21:1-7; John 16:12-22



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This congregation practices “open communion”. We invite all who believe that our Lord’s body and blood are truly and essentially present in the bread and wine to share in the sacrament. We believe Christians are worthy to receive communion when, according to the teaching of Scripture and Lutheran tradition the words, “given and shed for you” are accepted by grace through faith. You may receive the wine by dipping the bread into the dipping chalice or by drinking from the principal chalice. Repent, and be served!

The Order of Word and Sacrament
Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2025

Prelude, Announcements (please stand when indicated by *)

We Gather

- *Brief Order for Confession and ForgivenessLBW p. 77
- *Opening Hymn *“Children of the Heavenly Father”* LBW #474
- Greeting & Kyriep. 78-79
- *Hymn of Praise p. 81-82
- *Salutation & Prayer of the Day..... p. 82

We Hear God’s Word

- Lessons
- First Reading: Acts 20:17-35
 - Psalm 23 (Sung responsively).....LBW p. 225
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 - *Holy Gospel: John 10:22-30
 - Sermon *“Sheep that Belong to Jesus”* Pastor Mike Fiske

We Respond to God’s Word

- *Hymn of the Day *“Have No Fear, Little Flock”* LBW #476
- *Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed.....p. 84
- *Prayer of the Church & Sharing of the Peace.....p. 85-86
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We Receive Holy Communion/Eucharist

- *Great Thanksgiving & Sanctus..... p. 88-89
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- *Post-Communion Canticlep. 92-93
- *Benediction & Amen.....p. 94-95
- *Closing Hymn *“This Is My Father’s World”* LBW #554

We Are Sent to Our Mission Fields

Postlude

First Reading: Acts 20:17-35

¹⁷Now from Miletus {Paul} sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them: “You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

Psalm 23 (LBW)

- ¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
- ²**He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**
- ³He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name’s sake.
- ⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- ⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶**Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

What’s Happening

Today:

- Our radio broadcast is sponsored anonymously. Thank you!
- Happy Mother’s Day to all moms and grandmas! Please enjoy our gift of a flower for you on this special day.

This Week:

Let Me Shine Preschool End of Year Programs

Monday	11:15 am	4/5 Morning Class
Tuesday	11:15 am	3/4 Morning Classes (both classes)
	12:30 pm	3/4 and 4/5 Afternoon Classes
Wednesday	6:30-8 pm	Men’s Fellowship, Otium Brewing (Mark 406-515-0116)

Notes and News

- We are participating in the annual Outreach Clinic Fund Drive, from Mother’s Day through Father’s Day. Place your cash or check donation in an empty baby bottle and put it back in the basket. Let’s support this important service in our community!
- A vintage hand embroidered baby quilt completed by Judy Stichman is being offered for silent auction to benefit the Outreach Clinic. Bids will be accepted until Father’s Day.
- Our dedicated quilters are taking a summer break. Their 93 quilts from the past year will be displayed over the pews for several weeks. As you look at them, please add your prayers that they might be a blessing to someone soon. Thank you, Judy, Sandy, Anita and Melissa!
- The school year for Let Me Shine Preschool will end this week. The staff has been amazing and we will miss them! They are Becky Watts, Halli Watts, Lisa Kuntz, Sierra Stevenson, Rylee Deming and Brylee Liles. Several of them have been with LMS for years. Thank you for your commitment to our church and to our community.
- We will be celebrating high school graduation May 25 with a reception following the service.
- Please contact the office if you are interested in directing or helping with VBS.