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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5th, 2024



John 15:9–17

Weekly Prayers

From our membership: Chris & Montana Geisel, Hailey; Brenda George (Robert); Susan Gerber (Josef), Jennifer & Sarah.

Health concerns: Maria Ehrmann, Barb & Doug Huth, Dorothy Jacobs, Rev. Ron Mohr, Pastor Maximo, Judy Ellard, and Les Orth.

Shut-ins: Catherine Allen, Jeanette Avery, Blanche Barker, Nancy Biesel, Maria Ehrmann, Eleonore Gallein, Dorothy Jacobs, Esther Musselman, Les Orth, Pastor & Doreen Scholz, Inez Voll, and Helen Wagner.

Mission: Rev. Van Ravy who serves as assistant pastor at Christ Lutheran Church in Phnom Penh and also serves with Lutheran Hour Ministries in Cambodia.

Rev. Joel V. Kuhl, Pastor

Rev. Gerald Scholz, Pastor Emeritus

Kevin Lee, Music Director

Rev. Robert Krestick, Pastor Emeritus

Victoria Bickford, Admin. Assistant

Prelude: *Nun freuet euch lieben Christen gmein* (J. Sweelinck)

LSB #556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice, st 1-5

Opening Hymn

Confession and Absolution

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Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 66:1–2, 8–9, 20; antiphon: v. 16

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.

Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*
sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!

Bless our God, O | peoples;*
let the sound of his | praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the | living*
and has not let our | feet slip.

Blessèd | be God,*
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love
from me!

**Glorify be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading

Acts 10:34–48

³⁴Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,

for God was with him. ³⁹And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

⁴⁴While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. ⁴⁶For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Gradual

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

Christ has risen | from the dead.*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor.
He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;*
he has put all things un- | der his feet.

Epistle

1 John 5:1–8

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

John 15:9–17

⁹[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

Nicene Creed

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LSB #556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice, st. 6-10
Choir Singing Stanza 8

Hymn of the Day

Sermon “Beloved Friends”

John 15:9–17

Offertory

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Offering: Choir: Alleluia! For Christ the Lord is Risen (Bach, arr. Leavitt)

Prayer of the Church

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Service of the Sacrament

Communion Liturgy

LSB 194-199

LSB #481 Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom

Hymn of distribution

LSB #779 Come, My Soul, with Every Care

Hymn of distribution

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

Thanksgiving

LSB 200-201

Collect, Benedicamus, Benediction

LSB 201-202

LSB #548 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious

Closing Hymn

Postlude: *Werde munter, mein Gemüte* (A. Leupold)