
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 18-19, 2019

As We Gather

“A little while” says Jesus, and He will not be seen and then seen again—because He is going to the Father. Jesus is nothing but blunt with His disciples, telling them what will happen. But they do not want to hear it. They did not want to hear His words of suffering and death to come on the cross, and they missed His promise to rise again. Jesus knew their aching hearts were full and promised the Spirit to lead them into all truth. A little while and death will give way to life—for Jesus and also for His disciples. Because He goes to the Father, preparing the way, we also look forward to going to the Father. This hope sustains the weary through their trials in this mortal life. We belong forever to the Lord.

[Saturday] **Hymn** *Lord, Whose Love* *LSB 848*

[Sunday] **Hymn** *Dearest Jesus, We Are Here* *LSB 592*

[Sunday] **Sacrament of Holy Baptism** *LSB 268*
Caden Alan Smith

Stand

[Saturday] **Confession and Absolution**

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

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

C **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.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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 an 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.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 98:2–6; antiphon: Ps. 98:1

P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he
has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

C **The LORD has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

P He has remembered his steadfast love and
faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

C **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

P Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody!

C **With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!**

C **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.**

P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he
has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Kyrie 🎵

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: *This Is the Feast* 🎵

LSB 155

C *This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are His.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation.*

*Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God
and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit **First Reading**

Acts 11:1-18

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' ¹⁵As I began to speak, the

Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"

¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

P Christ has risen from the dead.

C **[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,**

P He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C **he has put all things under his feet.**

Epistle

Revelation 21:1-7

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

C *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.*

Holy Gospel

John 16:12–22

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁶“A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’” ¹⁸So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB 633

Sermon

"All New"

Revelation 21:5

Stand [Saturday] **Apostles' Creed**

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the
living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P You have promised, O Lord, to be our God, and we rejoice to be
Your children by grace. Hear now the prayers of Your people for
all manner and conditions of men.

P Your Church is set among many and great enemies, O Lord, and
yet You have promised that no enemy will triumph over us. Give
us such confidence in Your promise that we will not fear, and
give us the courage of Your love that we may love our enemies
and pray for those who persecute us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P You have promised us the gift of Your Spirit to make known to us
all truth and to keep us in Your Word. Grant to us, O Lord, faithful
pastors who will teach us Your Word and devoted church
workers who will serve us in Your name. Bless Rev. Gary Schultz
as he considers our Call to be Pastor. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P You hold all people accountable for the responsibilities You have given them. O Lord, bless our president; our governor; the Congress and legislature; and all judges and magistrates. Guide them to serve according to Your will and for the common good of all. Raise up those with heroic virtue who will defend our liberty. Protect those who defend us in the armed forces, and serve us in law enforcement, fire and emergency medical services. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P You have promised to be with us in every need. Visit with Your mercy the sick, shut in, hospitalized, and all those with special needs, including_____. Lord, in Your mercy.

C **hear our prayer.**

P You are above all things, the Alpha and the Omega, and yet You have chosen to dwell among men. Give us a glimpse of Your glory, that we may know what is good and right and true, the perfect beauty of Your presence. Bless those who in art and music point us to Your majesty, O Lord, and to the promise of Your future, the holy city and new Jerusalem on high. Move us to offer to You our best for Your glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P You promised our sorrows would turn into joy and we would not long remember the anguish of our labor. O Lord, deliver us from our tears and raise us with the saints of old to know You and to live in the joy of Your presence, feasting together in the marriage supper of the Lamb, in His kingdom without end. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Now, with confidence that You will grant us all things needful and all things beneficial to us and to all for whom we have prayed, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Sit Offering

While we worship the Lord with our offerings, please write your names in the fellowship registers, indicating the date and time of the service you are attending. To help us serve you more effectively, please use the blanks provided to indicate a change in mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, cell, fax) or e-mail address(es). Please tear out the sheets with names on them and let them stick out of the top of the folder so that the ushers can collect them. Thank you!

Stand Offertory

LSB 159

- C** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation
and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now
in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

[Saturday] Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
C 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
forever and ever. Amen.

Saturday's service continues with the Benediction

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

C *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 162

Pax Domini

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei ♪

LSB 163

C *Lamb of God, You take away the
sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the
sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the
sin of the world; grant us peace.*

Sit **Distribution**

Salvation unto Us Has Come

LSB 555

Stand **Post-Communion Canticle:** *Thank the Lord* ♪

LSB 164

C *Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice
and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

LSB 166

P 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.

C Amen.

Hymn

Jerusalem the Golden

LSB 672

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