



The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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10:00am

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Introduction

Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Paul has a vision about what to do. John has a vision of what will be. Jesus provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

THE PRELUDE

* THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving Mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come. We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood. You opened wide the sea for the Israelites, Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst, cleanse our hearts, wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

Amen.

THE GATHERING HYMN: *All Creatures of Our God and King
#835

*** THE GREETING**

P: 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.**

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

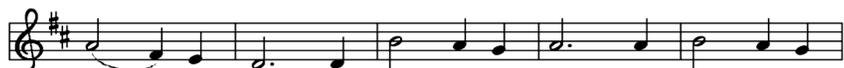


strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray:

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Acts 16: 9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. ¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 67 (read responsively)

- ¹May God be merciful to us and bless us;
may the light of God's face shine upon us.
- ²**Let your way be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.**
- ³Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise
you.
- ⁴**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the
peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**
- ⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise
you.
- ⁶**The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our
own God, has blessed us.**
- ⁷May God give us blessing, and may all

Second Lesson : Revelation 21:10, 22--22:5

¹⁰And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. ²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. ^{22:1}Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (Sung Tune Hymn #380)

C: Hallelujah! Jesus lives! Christ is risen from the grave! He who died this comfort gives: Lo, he lives, his own to save! Hallelujah! Praises be to our Lord eternally!

* P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the chapter.

* C: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

* **The Gospel: John 14: 23-29**

²³Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOOD NEWS 101

THE SERMON

THE HYMN OF THE DAY : *Love Divine All Excelling #631*

*** THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was Incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation

God in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

*** THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always,
And also with you.

THE OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE MEAL

*** THE OFFERING PRAYER**

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

*** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Sung) page 152**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*** THE PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*** THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sung) page 153**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

* **THE THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

* **THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The risen Christ dwells with us here.
All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

THE LAMB OF GOD (sung) pg. 154

THE DISTRIBUTION

* **THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us Pray:
We give you thanks, generous God,
for in this bread and cup
we have tasted the new heaven and earth
where hunger and thirst are no more.
Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
Amen.

THE SENDING

* **THE BLESSING**

God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

***THE SENDING SONG:** *My Life Flows On* #763

* **THE DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Serving today: May 22

Acolyte: William Morrison

Lector: Judy Bariexca

Communion Assistant: Ferol Howell

Serving next Week: May 29

Acolyte: Leo Sanchez

Lector: Laura Poethke

\Communion Assistant: Laura Poethke



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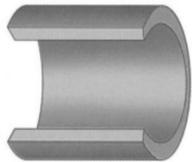


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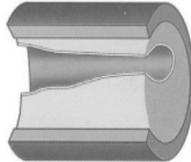
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES: Our Sunday morning worship services will continue at 10:00 AM. Services are also streamed live on our Facebook Page.

COVID PROTOCOLS continue to be in place for the safety of those who worship or use the building. Holy Trinity will allow indoor masking to be a personal choice, using good judgement. We continue to social distance and will still have the sign in sheet.

CROSSROADS CAMP: If your looking for a great summer program for your young Christians, please check put Crossroad's camp. The church offers scholarships. For more information please speak to Laura Poethke.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is usually open on Wednesdays and Fridays when Pastor is there. Bonnie will be in the office, Mon 10-2, Tues. 12-3, Wed—Friday 10-2. You can always call and leave a message if you need us.

PLEASE HELP US as we work to update the church directory. Please fill out a Church Member Information form for you and your family with mailing addresses, best phone numbers, and updated Email addresses. You can leave the forms in the bin in the Narthex or mail them back to the church.

SOCIAL MINISTRY OUTREACH continues with our Phillip the Bucket spare change Loud Offering on the first Sunday of each month. Our Offerings have gone to help those in need in our community. We are also continuing to collect nonperishable food items for St. Luke's Food Pantry.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is in session every Sunday at 9:00AM. We look forward each week to sharing the good news with the children.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICES: We are excited to be continuing with our Contemporary Services featuring Voices That Reign. Our next service will be on Tuesday May 24th @7pm.

What's Happening in our Building

You may notice that our building is undergoing some construction. We are excited to once again have our halls filled with the laughter and smiles of school children.

As many know during Covid we lost our wonderful Dor-lyn school due to the financial impact it took on the school.

Throughout the past few months we have been working with the Burlington Township school district and their pre-k state expansion program. We are thrilled to announce that we have entered into a contract with them and we will be working directly with their umbrella group KidzSpace, to bring back a school program to our building.

This program is State facilitated so we are having to bring our building up to the code of the State. This is being done through the school and KidzSpace and overseen by our staff and council. Financially this will be a blessing as well.

While their monthly donation will not cover everything that it takes to keep our church operating, it does help us. That being said, your faithful giving is still crucial to helping us to keep our doors open and doing the good work and spreading the Good News of our Lord and Savior.

Please join in praying and asking the Lord to bless this program. To once again have our halls filled with the energy of the children and their families is a wonderful blessing. To be given the opportunity as a church to be a part of our community again is exciting. We are thankful for this opportunity.

In Peace
Bonnie Mazza
Council President



If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask one of our Council members. (Bonnie Mazza, Chris Rodig, Amber Johnson, Laura Poethke, Hank Bariexca, Judy Bariexca, Peggy Bowers, Jamie Lisowski, or Norm Entzian)

Our Church Worship & Picnic is Back!!!

****Green Acres Park
1001 Old York Road
Burlington, NJ**

Mark your Calendars for June 12

Location Front Pavilion at Burlington Township Park

Sunday school at 9:00am

Worship Service at 10:00am

Church games and picnic to follow.

Hoagies, water and lemonade provided, please bring side dishes and desserts to share. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway.

Remember to bring chairs, blankets etc.

Hope to see everyone there for a great day of worship, fellowship and games.



****Front Pavilion where the soccer & football fields are located**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS BACK!!!!!!!

August 1-5, 2022

Monumental

We are excited to be bringing back Vacation Bible school this summer. We are currently planning on August 1-5 9am-12noon **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.** Please reach out to Bonnie Mazza and let her know if you are available to help out. Here is a list of the areas you can help

Teacher

Teacher's Assistant

Recreation

Arts n Crafts

Snack

Music

Skits

Set up the week before

Clean up the weekend after



Our Worship Teams Need Volunteers

Please consider joining one of our Ministry team. Do you ever ask what it takes to make our wonderful services happen. While the Pastor and staff prepare during the week for our time of worship, it takes the support of our ministry teams to help things run smoothly.

Ushers

If you volunteer to help usher, you assist with the handing out of bulletins, the collection of the offering and on communion Sundays help to lead people to the Lord's table. Please see Steve Anderson or Pastor if you are interested.

Greeters

You are the first face that our worshippers see each Sunday. Greeters welcome people before worship and identify guests. Please reach out to Peggy Bowers or Bonnie Mazza

Readers

The name says it all. If you volunteer to serve in this capacity you will be reading the printed scriptures on your assigned day. Please see Judy Bariexca or Pastor to be added to our list.

Communion Assistant

On communion Sundays, you would assist in the distribution of the elements. If you volunteer to serve, you will receive guidance and training before you are added into the rotation. Please reach out to Bonnie Mazza, Amber Johnson or Pastor.

Acolyte

If you have a young Christian who would like to help with the lighting of the candles, please see Laura Poethke or Pastor. This is a great way to help our Sunday School children to serve their Lord.

Tech Team

This is a new ministry and we need tech savvy people to help run our sound system and video on Sunday mornings. If you are blessed with this gift please reach out to Amber Johnson to see how you can help.

If you are considering joining one of our worship teams, please know that you will not be asked to do this every Sunday, our goal is to build these ministries so that our volunteers serve on schedules set up ahead of time.