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The Sixth Sunday of Easter



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SERVICE of WORSHIP

Now the Feast and Celebration

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

HYMN: "O Spirit of Life" vs 1,3,4

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O Spirit of Life

1 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 2 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 3 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,
 4 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God,

in ev - ry need you bring us aid,
 in - crease our faith in our dear Lord;
 make us to love your sa - cred Word;
 en - light - en us by that same Word;

pro - ceed - ing forth from God's great throne,
 un - less your grace the power should give,
 the ho - ly flame of love im - part,
 teach us to know God's ra - dian - t love,

from God, the Fa - ther and the Son;
 none can be - lieve in Christ the and live;
 that char - i - ty may warm each heart;
 lead us to Christ who reigns a - bove;

O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.
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THE GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

THE KYRIE

to the God of life and love and
 free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
 er - more!

Verse 1

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
 slain, whose blood has freed and u -
 nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of
 God. *to Refrain*

Verse 2

Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
 might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
 for ev - er. *to Refrain*

Verse 3*Congregation:*

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
 make us peo - ple of God; to make
 all things new. *to Refrain*

THE SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAYTEMPLE TALK: *Assisting in Worship*

Laura Peterson

CHOIR ANTHEM: *Jerusalem, My Happy Home***THE FIRST LESSON**

Acts 16:9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. ¹²From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

¹³On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul’s message. ¹⁵When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. “If you consider me a believer in the Lord,” she said, “come and stay at my house.” And she persuaded us.

THE PSALM*Psalm 67*

¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us,
 Show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

² Let your ways be known upon earth,
Your saving health among all nations.

³ Let 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 upon earth.**

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
Let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The earth has brought forth her increase;
May God, our own God, give us his blessing.

⁷ May God give us his blessing,
And may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

²² I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³ The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it. ²⁵ On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. ²⁶ The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. ²⁷ Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

22 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go"

Congregation:

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Optional Repeat

THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

THE GOSPEL

John 14:23-29

²³ Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

²⁵ “All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

²⁸ “You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

Claire Strand

HYMN: “Be Thou My Vision”

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!

thou my best thought . . . by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tower,
 thou, and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was

conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY: "As the Grains of Wheat"

Refrain *Congregation:*

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;
so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be
gath-ered in - to one in you.

Verses

1. As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst
2. Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when
may we share the pres-ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

to Refrain

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God,
everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING and THE PREFACE

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 him thanks and praise.

*THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

THE AGNUS DEI: "Lamb of God"

Congregation: *Congregation or Assistant:*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 you break the chains of ha - tred and
 you are the way of jus - tice and
 you are the way of mer - cy and

Congregation:

world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
 fear:
 peace:
 love.

Final Stanza

Congregation or Assistant:

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

Congregation:

take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

HYMN: "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters"

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F Gm/F F Dm F B^b F

1 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
 2 Who bring them long for nur - ture; by your milk may we be fed.
 3 Oh, how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - im - ag - ined, all your ways!

F Gm/F F Dm F B^b F

Num - ber them a - mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a - go.
 Let us join your feast, par - tak-ing cup of bless - ing, liv - ing bread.
 To your name be glo - ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!

F C Dm Am F B^b

Weave them gar - ments bright and spark - ling; com- pass them with love and light.
 God, re - new us, guide our foot - steps; free from sin and all its snares,
 We your peo - ple stand be - fore you, wa - ter-washed and Spir - it - born.

C Dm B^b F Gm⁷ Am Gm⁷ F

Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.
 dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.
 By your grace, our lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate us; God, trans - form!

HYMN: "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!



1 Christ is ris - en! Shout ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de -
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the



days! Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der:
 spair. Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing.
 same. Break the bread of new cre - a - tion



all cre - a - tion is a - mazed. In the des - ert all - sur -
 See what love can do and dare. Drink the wine of res - ur -
 where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim, de - mon - ic



round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.
 rec - tion. Not a ser - vant, but a friend,
 chor - us: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"



Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
 God the first and last is with us. Sing ho - san - na, ev - 'ry - one!



*THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thanks Be to You"

Congregation:



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
2. From of old you loved and sought us:



Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice



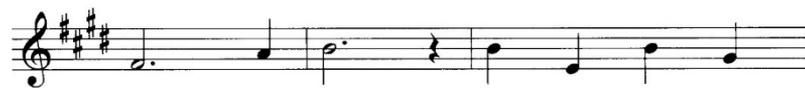
weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for ev - er!



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your



love, re - mem - b'ring your cov-e-nant of



life with us. 3. Praise to you, O



God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for ev - er!



Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for



ev - er! Thanks be to you for ev - er!

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION and THE DISMISSAL

THE POSTLUDE