



Sixth Sunday of Easter
St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois
May 25-26, 2019



PRELUDE: “God Bless Our Native Land” *arr. by Sondra Tucker*
THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 965 “God Bless Our Native Land” (*please stand and face the cross*)

Procession of Cross and Flags

Our Pledge to the American Flag: (*spoken in unison*)

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Our Pledge to the Christian Flag: (*spoken in unison*)

I pledge allegiance to the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and to the faith for which it stands, one Savior, King eternal, with mercy and grace for all. So help me God.

Divine Service Three, page 184ff.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: pages 184-185 (*please stand if you are able*)

We Share God's Peace With and Greet One Another

INTROIT: Psalm 55



Cast your burden on the LORD, and He will sus- | tain you;*

He will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

My heart is in anguish with- | in me;*

the terrors of death have fallen up- | on me.

But I | call to God,*

and the LORD will | save me.

I utter my com- | plaint and moan,*

and He | hears my voice.

He redeems my soul from the battle | that I wage,* for many are arrayed a- | gainst me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE: (page 186) (*sung*)

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us, Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: pages 187-189

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. **C: 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. Amen. (please be seated)**

(8 a.m.) **ANTHEM:** “God of Our Fathers” (arranged by Gordon Young)

Choir

THE FIRST READING:

Acts 16:9–15

A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL:

Christ has risen from the dead.

C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,

He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

C: He has put all things under His feet.

THE SECOND READING:

Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass. And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life. P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA: (page 190) *(sung) (please stand if able)* “**Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.**”

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

John 16:23-33

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 16th chapter. **C:** *(sung)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, “In that day you will ask nothing of Me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

His disciples said, “Ah, now You are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! Now we know that You know all things and do not need anyone to question You; this is why we believe that You came from God.” Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave Me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with Me. I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C:** *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(10:30 a.m.) **The Nicene Creed: page 191** *(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.)* **The Apostles’ Creed: page 192**

(please be seated)

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **CHILDRENS’ MESSAGE SONG:**

When I go to Jesus, He will hear me pray, Make me pure and holy, Take my sins away.

Oh, how good is Jesus! May He hold my hand And at last receive me To a better land.

HYMN OF THE DAY: 473 “Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free”

SERMON: “The Wife of the Lamb has the Glory of God” Revelation 21:9-14

(please stand if you are able) **OFFERTORY:** pages 192-193

(please be seated) **OFFERING:** “Awake, My Heart, with Gladness” *arranged by Rudolph Moser*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(please stand if you are able)*

(Each petition ends “let us pray to the Lord” and we respond, “Lord, have mercy.”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Leonard Vogt, C. John Prigge, June Lawrence, Jean Menke, Wanda Steele, Clifford Stellhorn, Geri Koester, Ed Luttmann, Larry Ebers, Jane Donjon, Trudy Woolbright, Susie Harms; *Family and Friends of St. John’s Members:* Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Derrick DeWilde, Henry Hunter, Harlow Leedle, Alice Proctor, Brett Montroy, George and Ruth (Schrieber) Hecht, Ruby Liefer, Chas Walter, Tommy Davidson, Rev. Herb Mueller, Jr., Tina Aubuchon, Keith Dial, Renee Reed. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Casey Vallett, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Tanner Hackstadt; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Brent Knop, Keenan Turnure
+those who have or are graduating from schools this month
+favorable weather for farming and safety for those who work in the fields this week
+the family of Lisa Kloepper who died in the Lord last Saturday, had Christian burial on Thursday
+those recovering from storms in the Midwest this week and those threatened by rising waters

The 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. services continue with the Lord’s Prayer and a Closing Prayer.

(10:30 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 194ff.

PREFACE: page 194 **SANCTUS:** page 195 **LORD’S PRAYER:** page 196

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD and PAX DOMINI: page 197

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C:** *(sung)* **Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI: page 198

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

475 “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

467 “Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”

NUNC DIMITTIS: “Song of Simeon” pages 199-200

THANKSGIVING: pages 200-201

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS: pages 201-202

(8 a.m.) **ANTHEM:** “A Bach Benediction” (arr. by Jean Anne Shaffermann)

Choir

BENEDICTION: page 202

CLOSING HYMN: “Prayer for Memorial Day” *(tune: LSB 503 “O Day Full of Grace”)*

To-day, far and wide, our na-tion’s pride – The youth from both town and coun-try –

Are sum-moned to go and face the foes Of life, dig-ni-ty and free-dom.

God, arm them, we pray, each fear al-lay With trust in You as their Sav-ior.

O Sav-ior and Lord, with one ac-cord, We pray for our na-tion’s war-riors.

Like the vet’-rans of past, Lord, may they cast Their fate on Your grace and fa-vor.

A-mong those op-pressed, their ser-vice bless, Ac-know-ledge them as Your ser-vants.

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THE POSTLUDE: “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

arranged by Ruth E. Mackie

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