

8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP
May 16, 2021
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Please follow the ushers' direction on seating. We will maintain at least 6 feet between individuals unless you come as a family who live together.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: "O Christ, Our Hope" – D. Buxtehude

P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

You may either stand or kneel.

P: God of resurrection life, we come before you today as those who would die to sin and rise to newness of life.

C: Lower into the grave all selfishness, greed, and envy, all harmful desires and unworthy ambitions.

P: Raise from death the good that is in us—and gift us with the good that is not in us.

C: Help us to love neighbors, strangers, and those we do not even like.

P: We have failed you.

C: We have failed our world.

P: Give us the skill and the desire to bring healing into this world.

C: Forgive us the sins we can name and the sins we cannot name.

(Silence to ponder our wrongs.)

P: Lord, make us channels of blessing for the impoverished and injured souls of this world.

C: In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:

P: Paul teaches us in Romans chapter 5: If in Adam and Eve all have died—so now—in Jesus Christ—all are made alive. Let us rejoice in the lifegiving power of God's unconditional love. Our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake.

C: Amen.



GATHERING HYMN: "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

APOSTOLIC 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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Risen and ascended Lord, your grace unites us, in spite of differences and disagreements. Help us to celebrate our unity as your family. We pray through the blessing of The Holy Spirit. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

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After the reading of the Gospel:

P. The Gospel of the Lord”

C. **Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON: “Prayer As Foundation”

Pastor Larry Isbell

HYMN OF THE DAY: “We Are All One in Mission”

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit-ness in God's name.
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var-ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem-ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris-ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

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Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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APOSTLES' CREED:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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 PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

THE BLESSING OF THE OFFERING**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.**

BENEDICTION:

P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun - sels guide, up - hold you,
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; ho - ly wings se - cure - ly hide you,
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils thick con - found you,

with a shep - herd's care en - fold you;
 dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 put un - fail - ing arms a - round you;

Refrain

Till we meet, till we meet, till we
 till we meet, till we meet a - gain,

meet at Je - sus' feet; till we meet, till we
 till we meet, till we meet, till we

meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 meet a - gain,

DISMISSAL:

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: “Trumpet Tune in D” – David Johnson

Today’s altar flowers are given by Steve Tam in honor of Christi’s birthday and by Harold Steigerwalt in honor of Lauren Steigerwalt’s birthday.

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Talk to others from a distance in the parking lot.)*