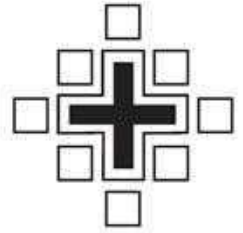


Sixth Sunday of Easter

Rogate

May 5, 2024



INTROIT *Ps. 66:1–2a, 17, 19–20; antiphon: Is. 48:20b*

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alle- | luia.*

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*

 sing the glory | of his name.

I cried to him | with my mouth;*

 and high praise was | on my tongue.

But truly God has | listened;*

 he has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

Blessèd | be God.*

 because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from me!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth.

Alle- | luia.*

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

GRADUAL

During the celebration of Easter and Pentecost, the Gradual is omitted and the Verse is expanded.

VERSE *Liturgical Text; John 16:28*

Alleluia. Christ, who has redeemed us with his blood, is risen and has appeared unto us. Alleluia. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father. Alleluia.

DAILY READINGS

May 5: Num. 3:1–16, 39–48; Luke 14:25–15:10; **6:** Num. 8:5–26; Luke 15:11–32; **7:** Num. 9:1–23; Luke 16:1–18; **8:** Num. 10:11–36; Luke 16:19–31; **9:** Num. 11:1–23, 31–35; Luke 17:1–19; **10:** Num. 11:24–29; 12:1–16; Luke 17:20–37; **11:** Num. 13:1–3, 17–33; Luke 18:1–17.

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Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵ And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶ Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷ And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that He take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹ So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Epistle Lesson: James 1:22-27

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴ For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵ But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

²⁶ If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Gospel Reading: John 16:23-33

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. ²⁴ Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵ “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. ²⁶ 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; ²⁷ for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸ I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

²⁹ His disciples said, “Ah, now You are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰ 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.” ³¹ Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? ³² 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. ³³ 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.”

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In our prayers: Remember all who are ill and weak, shut-ins, our families, our congregation, hospitals, doctors, nurses, police, military personnel, and wisdom for our government leaders. Pray for Pauline Cizmansky, Jack Findlay, Jennifer Jarvis, Paul Kushner, Carrie Thomas, Joanne Todorich.

SPECIAL UPDATES

Join us for Bible Study on Saturdays in the basement fellowship hall at 3:00 pm as Reverend Mullins leads us through the Small Catechism.

Flowers on the altar today are presented to the glory of God by the members of Holy Cross.

Today's Lector: Bob D. Usher: Gary B. Acolyte: Dan H. Communion Assistant: Phil B.

Don't forget: weekly bulletin updates, calendar of events and more on the website and our new Facebook page. You can reach the FB page from the button in the upper right corner of the website, and please share both with friends and family: *holycrossjohnstown.org*

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Organist: Jennifer Jarvis

Welcome! It is good for us to worship together. May our worship be a source of richest blessing for you. If you are without a church home, interested in church membership, or having spiritual problems, please contact one of our elders. We believe that Christ Jesus is true God, together with the Father and Holy Spirit. We believe that the Bible is the divinely-inspired Word of God. 'And that Christ Jesus atoned for our sins and we are saved solely by God's undeserved love toward sinners through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Saturday Bible Study: 3:00PM
Saturday Worship and Communion: 4:00PM

Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion was instituted for the forgiveness of sins, salvation, and life in Christ for all who believe and repent. As a member congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod we offer this sacrament to those who belong to member congregations, who publicly confess the *Real Presence*, that the real body and blood of Jesus Christ are truly present in the sacrament and that the sacrament grants these blessings- forgiveness of sins, peace, and strengthening of faith in Jesus. Persons who are not members of Holy Cross or another LCMS congregation should speak with the pastor prior to the service; all repentant believers are welcome to come to the altar and receive a blessing while members are communed.

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