

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - SEPTEMBER 5, 2021



The Lord's salvation changes everything for those who believe. Isaiah proclaimed that the coming of the Lord would bring healing and wholeness. This wholeness is reflected in James' instructions to the church to show no partiality among members of the Body of Christ. All people are to be treated with equal respect. Jesus healed the daughter of a Gentile woman demonstrating the impartiality of God's love.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

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- ◆ You are here by God's calling and we extend Christ's hospitality to you this day.
- ◆ In worship, we hear God's Word, partake in the Lord's Supper, and give thanks to God in prayer and praise.
- ◆ If you receive the Lord's Supper in your home congregation, you are welcome to receive it here.
- ◆ Restrooms and a nursery are located in the backside hallway. Look for the horseshoe cross.
- ◆ Please fill out a visitor card so we can keep in touch. The Lord give you strength for daily living.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MUSICAL PRELUDE - MUSICIAN: KAREN WARNELL

HOLY COMMUNION, SETTING ONE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (*Stand, Spoken*)

P: In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

P: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus Christ our Lord, let us with confidence draw near to God, that we may receive mercy and find grace in time of need. (*Hebrews 4:14-16, adapted*)

C: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your lovingkindness. In your great mercy wash away our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us clean hearts and renew a right spirit within us. Restore us to the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. Amen (*Psalm 51:1-2, 10-11, adapted*) (*A moment of silent confession*)

P: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

APOSTOLIC GREETING (*Spoken*)

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 FOR MERCY (*Spoken*)

P: Let us pray to the Lord for peace. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray to the Lord for salvation. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray to the Lord for the well-being of the world and the unity of the Church of God. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray for this holy house as we offer God our worship and praise. **C: Lord have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen**

HYMN "BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC" #332 (*Sung*)

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword: His truth is marching on.
Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; He is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat. Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant my feet! Our God is marching on.
Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me. As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, While God is marching on.
Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Spoken)*

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

P: Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves.

C: In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING — ISAIAH 35:4-7A, p. 707 *(Sit)*

SECOND READING — JAMES 2:1-18, p. 1200

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (KCJAM) / CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL VERSE *(Stand, Sung)*

Divine instructor, gracious Lord, May you be always near; Teach us to love your sacred Word and find our Savior there.

GOSPEL READING & RESPONSES – MARK 7:31-37, p. 1002 *(Spoken)*

P: The Holy Gospel from St. Mark chapter 7. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE *(Sit)*

HYMN “BIND US TOGETHER, LORD” INSERT *(Stand, Sung)*

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

There is only one God. There is only one King. There is only one Body; that is why we sing:

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

We are the fam'ly of God. We are the promise divine. We are God's chosen desire, we are the glorious new wine.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *(Spoken)*

P: Let us pray, ... through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

OFFERING HYMN *(Sung)*

We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our first fruits give.

OFFERING PRAYER *(Spoken)*

P: Let us pray.

C: Lord God, maker of all things, through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer our selves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Spoken)*

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

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *(Sung)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

AGNUS DEI (*Sung*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT (*Sit*)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (*Stand, Sung*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (*Spoken*)

All: Holy Father, having received now this blessed food and drink, we ask you to deliver us from every evil, teach us to love you perfectly, and make us one, holy Church doing the good works you desire us to do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BENEDICTION (*Spoken, Romans 15:13*)

P: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, through the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

HYMN: "OH, FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING" #559 (*Sung*)

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of your name.**

**The name of Jesus charms our fears And bids our sorrows cease,
Sings music in the sinner's ear, Bring life and health and peace.**

**He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; He sets the pris'ner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.**

**To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav'n.**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. (*Spoken*)

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE — MUSICIAN: KAREN WARNELL

