

The Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Liturgy of the Word

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**ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN**

*Christ is Risen!*

*Alleluia!*

## Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

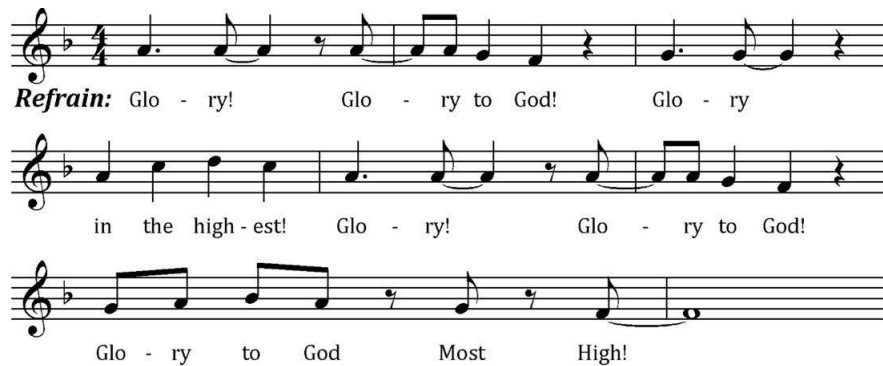
## Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Song of Praise

Jesse Manibusan



*Refrain:* Glo - ry!            Glo - ry to God!            Glo - ry  
in the high - est!    Glo - ry!            Glo - ry to God!  
Glo - ry to God        Most High!

*Choir:*

O God, Holy One, almighty God and Father, we worship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory! **Refrain:**

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Holy One, Redeemer,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. **Refrain:**

You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High God, with the Spirit in the glory to God! **Refrain:**

## The Collect of the Day

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## WORD

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
**nor lingered in the way of sinners,**  
**nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \*  
**and they meditate on his law day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
**everything they do shall prosper.**

It is not so with the wicked; \*  
**they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
**nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \*  
**but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

## A Reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Alleluia: *Celtic Hallelujah*

John Reager

Al - le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia,  
- ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al-le -  
lu - ia.

## The Holy Gospel

John 17:6-19

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the

scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

The Gospel of Christ.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

### **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**  
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**  
**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**  
**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**  
**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**  
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**  
**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**  
**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**  
**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to your church, O God, that we might serve you with courage and grace. Awake, O Church, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to your world, O God, that all might know the goodness of your love. Awake, O World, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to our nation, O God, that each person might share and honor the other. Awake, O People, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change for the suffering, O God, that they might know your saving help. Awake, O Sorrowful, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to even the departed, O God, that they might forever grow in your likeness. Awake, O Saints, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to our hearts, O God, that we might grow larger in faith and hope. Awake, O Soul, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new. Rise and live, says the Lord. This day God has made for life and all joy!  
**Amen, alleluia!**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**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 for ever. Amen.**

## **The Peace**

May the peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

### **Thanksgivings of the Community**

*You are invited to come forward to offer public thanks for the movement of God's Spirit in your own life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, and unexpected act of compassion, or another grace-filled change in your life. We close this time with the following prayer:*

**O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they mark this day. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **The Blessing**

May the God who formed all things in Love, draw you near to God's own heart, empower you by the power of the Spirit to live the Way of Love with fellow travelers, and send you to participate in the resurrection and healing of God's world.

And may the blessing of our Lord - loving, liberating, and live-giving - be with you and remain with you forever. Amen.

**Processional:** *We all are one in mission (v. 1, 4)*

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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. We all be-hold one vi-sion, a stark re-al-i-ty;  
4. 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:  
the stew-ard of sal-va-tion was nailed up-on a tree.  
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 by God's sur-pris-ing grace,  
Yet res-ur-rect-ed Jus-tice gives rise that we may share  
We all are one in mis-sion, we all are one in call,

to plan and work to-gether that all may know Christ's love.  
so peo-ple of all na-tions may feel God's warm em-brace.  
free re-con-cil-i-a-tion and hope a-mid de-spair.  
our var-ied gifts u-nit-ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

**The Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of christ, alleluia, alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**