

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14, 2017

Worship Focus
Jesus is the Only Savior

NO ONE
COMES TO THE
FATHER,



JOHN 14:6

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Common Service

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OPENING HYMN

343 - Christ Is the World's Light



1 Christ is the world's light, Christ and none oth - er;
2 Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none oth - er;
3 Christ is the world's life, Christ and none oth - er;
4 Give God the glo - ry, God and none oth - er;



Born in our dark - ness, he be - came our broth - er.
No one can serve him and de - spise an - oth - er.
Sold once for sil - ver, mur - dered here, our broth - er.
Give God the glo - ry, Spir - it, Son, and Fa - ther;



If we have seen him, we have seen the
Who else u - nites us, one with God the
He who re - deemed us reigns with God the
Give God the glo - ry, God with us, my



Fa - ther: Glo - ry to God on high!
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Fa - ther: Glo - ry to God on high!
broth - er: Glo - ry to God on high!

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Tune: CHRISTE SANCTORUM (10 11 11 6) *Antiphoner*, Paris, 1681.

INVOCATION

Minister In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Congregation A - men.

M Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.

LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

Musical notation for the 'LORD HAVE MERCY' section. It consists of two staves in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff has the melody: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), followed by a second measure: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). The second staff has the melody: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), followed by a second measure: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter).

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

ABSOLUTION

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Musical notation for the Absolution part. It consists of a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), ending with a double bar line.

C: A - men.

M In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

ANTHEM

Blessed Be Your Name

Beth and Matt Redmann, Thank You Music, CCLI #3081415

1. *Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name*

2. *Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name*

Chorus (after stanzas 1,2):

*Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name*

*(2x) You give and take away
You give and take away
Lord blessed be Your name*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your glorious name*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M Let us pray. O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will.

Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Acts 17:1-12

Paul preached the Gospel message about Christ, the only Savior, on his mission trip to Thessalonica and Berea.

ACTS 17:1 When they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue. ² As his custom was, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, ³ explaining and proving that the Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead. “This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Christ,” he said. ⁴ Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a large number of God-fearing Greeks and not a few prominent women.

⁵ But the Jews were jealous; so they rounded up some bad characters from the marketplace, formed a mob and started a riot in the city. They rushed to Jason’s house in search of Paul and Silas in order to bring them out to the crowd. ⁶ But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some other brothers before the city officials, shouting: “These men who have caused trouble all over the world have now come here, ⁷ and Jason has welcomed them into his house. They are all defying Caesar’s decrees, saying that there is another king, one called Jesus.” ⁸ When they heard this, the crowd and the city officials were thrown into turmoil. ⁹ Then they made Jason and the others post bond and let them go.

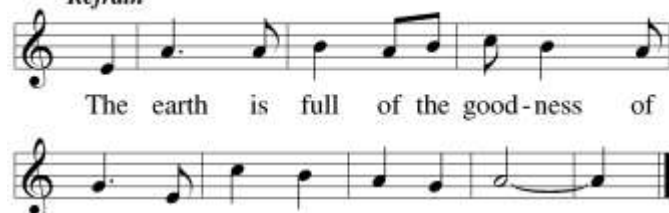
¹⁰ As soon as it was night, the brothers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue. ¹¹ Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true. ¹² Many of the Jews believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men.

PSALM

Psalm 33

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Refrain



The earth is full of the good-ness of
God, the good-ness of our God.

Psalm tone



Sing joyfully to the LORD, you | righteous;*
it is fitting for the upright to | praise him.

For the Word of the LORD is | right and true;*
he is faithful in | all he does.

By the word of the LORD were the | heavens made,*
their starry host by the breath | of his mouth.

For he spoke, and it | came to be;*
he commanded, and | it stood firm. *Refrain*

The LORD foils the plans of the | nations;*
he thwarts the purposes of the | peoples.

But the plans of the LORD stand firm for | ever,*
the purposes of his heart through all gener | ations.

The LORD loves righteousness and | justice;*
the earth is full of his un | failing love.

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. *Refrain*

SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 2:4-10

Peter proclaimed Christ Jesus as the one and only cornerstone of our faith and life.

¹PETER 2:4 As you come to him, the living Stone--rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him-- ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says:

“See, I lay a stone in Zion,
a chosen and precious cornerstone,
and the one who trusts in him
will never be put to shame.”

⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,

“The stone the builders rejected
has become the capstone,”

⁸ and,

“A stone that causes men to stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the message--which is also what they were destined for.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

VERSE OF THE DAY

**Yours forever, Lord of life! Shield us through our earthly strife.
You, the life, the truth, the way, Guide us to the realms of day. (426:3)**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:



GOSPEL John 14:1-12

Jesus announced, “I am the way...”

JOHN 14:1 “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴You know the way to the place where I am going.”

⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

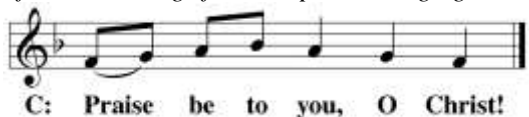
⁶ Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

⁹ Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. ¹²I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



HYMN OF THE DAY

759 - Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

Refrain

Do not let your hearts be trou - bled; have
 faith in God and faith in me. I will go
 forth to pre- pare a place for you; then I'll come
 back to take you with me, that where I
 am, you may al - so be.

To verses

Last time

Verses

1 In God's
 2 I am the
 3 The words I

house there are man - y plac - es For you a -
 Way, the Truth, and the Life; On - ly through
 speak are not on - ly of my - self; It is your

lone to dwell in safe - ty. You know the
me can you know what I know. If you knew
God who lives with - in me. If you be -

way to where I'll lead you; If you are
me, you would know the Fa - ther; If you see
lieve that your God and I are one, I will pro -

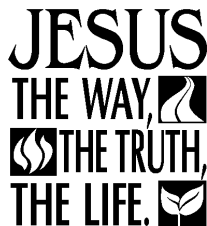
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lost, I will show the way.
me, you see your God.
vide when you call my name.

Text: John 14:1-3,6,7,10-14; alt. David Haas, b. 1957
Tune: DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED (88 11 99 99 99)
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SERMON
John 14:1-12

This is How You Say Good-bye



PRAISE AND PRAYER

RESPONSE TO THE WORD



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Almighty God, You sent Your Son to be the Way to heaven by His death and resurrection. Comfort and enliven us with Christ, the Truth, in Your Word and Sacraments, that we might rejoice in Him, our Life, both now and forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, You honor the office of motherhood and make it a symbol of Your Church, where Your people are born in Holy Baptism and nourished with the pure spiritual milk of Your Word. Receive our thanks this day for Your gift of mothers: Bless them in their ongoing vocation of love, prayer and sacrifice for their children of all ages, and grant that their labors might remind us of the new life You have given us through Christ and His Bride. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, Your Son honored You and became obedient even to death on the cross. Hear our prayers on behalf of children and youth: Provide them good and godly homes where they might be trained in Your ways, and give them thankful hearts that honor their fathers and mothers as Your servants. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, bestow Your grace on all the nations of the earth. Especially we beg You to bless our land and its inhabitants and all who are in authority. Cause Your glory to dwell among us, and let mercy and truth, righteousness and peace everywhere prevail. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, as You remember us in our living and our dying, remember all those who cry to You in need [*especially* _____]. Strengthen and deliver them according to Your will, and grant them confidence of Your faithfulness. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Most holy God, we give You thanks for all those whom You have called out of darkness and into Your marvelous light. With thanks for all the saints whom You have gathered to Yourself throughout the ages, continue to enlighten us by Your grace until we join them before Your throne; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

SERMON HYMN

356 - You Are the Way; through You Alone



1 You are the way; through you a - lone Can
2 You are the truth; your Word a - lone True
3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant



we the Fa - ther find; In you, O Christ, has
wis - dom can im - part. You on - ly can in -
claims your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their
us that way to know, That truth to keep, that



God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.
trust in you Not death nor hell shall harm.
life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Text: George W. Doane, 1799-1859, alt.
Tune: DUNDEE (CM) *The CL Psalms of David*, Edinburgh, 1615.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

M Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: A - men. A - men. A - - men.

CLOSING HYMN

367 - Christ Be My Leader

1 Christ be my lead - er by night as by day,
 2 Christ be my teach - er in age as in youth,
 3 Christ be my Sav - ior in calm as in strife;

Safe through the dark - ness, for he is the way,
 Drift - ing or doubt - ing, for he is the truth,
 Death can - not hold me, for he is the life. Nor

Glad - ly I fol - low, my fu - ture his care;
 Grant me to trust him, though shift - ing as sand,
 dark - ness nor doubt - ing nor sin and its stain Can

Dark - ness is day - light when Je - sus is there,
 Doubt can - not daunt me— in Je - sus I stand!
 touch my sal - va - tion— with Je - sus I reign!

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 Tune: SLANE (Irregular) Irish folk tune.

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.

**"And if I go
and prepare a place for you,
I will come again
and will take you to myself,**



**so that where I am,
there you may be also."**

John 14:3, NRSV