

**Divine Service, Setting Three**  
**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**1 June 2025**

**Pre-Service Music**

**Ringling of the Bells**

**Call to Worship**

**OPENING HYMN: *J*"A HYMN OF GLORY LET US SING"**

**LSB 493**

- 1 A hymn of glory let us sing!  
New hymns throughout the world shall ring:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Christ, by a road before untrod,  
Ascends unto the throne of God.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 The holy apostolic band  
Upon the Mount of Olives stand.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
And with His faithful foll'wers see  
Their Lord ascend in majesty.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 To them the shining angels cry,  
"Why stand and gaze upon the sky?"  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
"This is the Savior," thus they say;  
"This is His glorious triumph day!"  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 "You see Him now, ascending high  
Up to the portals of the sky."  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
"Hereafter Jesus you shall see  
Returning in great majesty."  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,  
 And be our future great reward.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Then, throned with You forever, we  
 Shall praise Your name eternally.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

△ 6 O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
 All praise to You let earth accord:  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 You are, while endless ages run,  
 With Father and with Spirit one.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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*Stand*

- Ⓟ In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Ⓒ **Amen.**
- Ⓟ Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- Ⓟ Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- Ⓒ **who made heaven and earth.**
- Ⓟ I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- Ⓒ **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- Ⓟ O almighty God, merciful Father,
- Ⓒ **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- Ⓟ Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Ⓒ **Amen.**

**INTROIT**

**PSALM 61:3, 5–8**

Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy. For you, O God, have heard my vows; you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name. Prolong the life of the king; may his years endure to all generations! May he be enthroned forever before God; appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him! So will I ever sing praises to your name, as I perform my vows day after day.

## **GLORIA PATRI**

**☩** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## **KYRIE**

**☩** Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**☩** Glory be to God on high and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**☩** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**☩** Amen.

*Sit*

## **FIRST READING**

## **ACTS 1:12-26**

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and "'Let another take his office.' 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 men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show 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 numbered with the eleven apostles.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **GRADUAL**

Christ has risen from the dead. [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor. He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.

## **EPISTLE**

## **REVELATION 22:1–20**

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."

"And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."

And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy."

"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## **ALLELUIA**

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

## **JOHN 17:20–26**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### **NICENE CREED**

**G** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

### **CATECHETICAL VERSE TO KNOW BY HEART**

#### **The Sixth Petition**

**G** And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

**G** God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

Sit

- 1 Christ is the world’s Redeemer,  
The lover of the pure,  
The font of heav’nly wisdom,  
Our trust and hope secure,  
The armor of His soldiers,  
The Lord of earth and sky,  
Our health while we are living,  
Our life when we shall die.**
- 2 Christ has our host surrounded  
With clouds of martyrs bright,  
Who wave their palms in triumph  
And fire us for the fight.  
Then Christ the cross ascended  
To save a world undone  
And, suff’ring for the sinful,  
Our full redemption won.**
- 3 Down through the realm of darkness  
He strode in victory,  
And at the hour appointed  
He rose triumphantly.  
And now, to heav’n ascended,  
He sits upon the throne  
Whence He had ne’er departed,  
His Father’s and His own.**
- △4 Glory to God the Father,  
The unbegotten One,  
All honor be to Jesus,  
His sole-begotten Son,  
And to the Holy Spirit—  
The perfect Trinity.  
Let all the worlds give answer:  
Amen! So let it be.**

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**SERMON: “COMING SOON”**

By Pastor John Schmidt

**REVELATION 22:1-6, 12-20**

*Stand*

- ℙ** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.  
**☩ Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

**✪** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*Sit*

## OFFERING

*As offerings are brought forward the congregation stands and sings.*

### OFFERING HYMN:

**♪ "WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN**

**LSB 781 V. 1-2**

**1 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.**

**2 May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!**

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**✪** And with thy spirit.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**✪** We lift them up unto the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**✪** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### SANCTUS

**✪** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

### LORD'S PRAYER

**P** 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.


## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

## **PAX DOMINI**

 The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI**

 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

*Sit*

## **DISTRIBUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: ♪"HOLY SPIRIT, EVER DWELLING"**

**LSB 650**

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling  
In the holiest realms of light;  
Holy Spirit, ever brooding  
O'er a world of gloom and night;  
Holy Spirit, ever raising  
Those of earth to thrones on high;  
Living, life-imparting Spirit,  
You we praise and magnify.
- 2 Holy Spirit, ever living  
As the Church's very life;  
Holy Spirit, ever striving  
Through us in a ceaseless strife;  
Holy Spirit, ever forming  
In the Church the mind of Christ:  
You we praise with endless worship  
For Your gifts and fruits unpriced.
- 3 Holy Spirit, ever working  
Through the Church's ministry;  
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving,  
Setting captive sinners free;  
Holy Spirit, ever binding  
Age to age and soul to soul  
In communion never ending,  
You we worship and extol.

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: ♪"THE KING SHALL COME WHEN MORNING DAWNS"**

**LSB 348**

- 1 The King shall come when morning dawns  
And light triumphant breaks,  
When beauty gilds the eastern hills  
And life to joy awakes.
- 2 Not as of old a little child,  
To bear and fight and die,  
But crowned with glory like the sun  
That lights the morning sky.
- 3 Oh, brighter than the rising morn  
When Christ, victorious, rose  
And left the lonesome place of death  
Despite the rage of foes.
- 4 Oh, brighter than that glorious morn  
Shall dawn upon our race  
The day when Christ in splendor comes  
And we shall see His face.
- 5 The King shall come when morning dawns  
And light and beauty brings.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:  
Come quickly, King of kings!

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: ♪"LOVE IN CHRIST IS STRONG AND LIVING"**

**LSB 706**

- 1 Love in Christ is strong and living,  
Binding faithful hearts in one;  
Love in Christ is true and giving.  
May His will in us be done.
- 2 Love is patient and forbearing,  
Clothed in Christ's humility,  
Gentle, selfless, kind, and caring,  
Reaching out in charity.
- 3 Love in Christ abides forever,  
Fainting not when ills attend;  
Love, forgiving and forgiven,  
Shall endure until life's end.

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*Stand*

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

- ☞♪ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen  
Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles

and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### **THANKSGIVING**

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**G** and His mercy endureth forever.

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

### **SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And with thy spirit.

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

### **BENEDICTION**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.

**G** Amen, amen, amen.

### **CLOSING HYMN: ♪“SAVIOR, AGAIN TO THY DEAR NAME WE RAISE”**

**LSB 917**

- 1 Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise  
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;  
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,  
Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.
- 2 Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;  
With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day.  
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
That in this house have called upon Thy name.
- 3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;  
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light.  
From harm and danger keep Thy children free;  
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.
- 4 Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,  
Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife;  
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,  
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

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## ***SILENT PRAYER***

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

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