

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 28, 2017

Order of Worship 9:00 A.M.



## WELCOME TO GRACE

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

*Stand as you are able.*

### Gathering Hymn

*'A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing'*

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### Greeting

**P** Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**C** **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**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.**

*Be seated.*

### Kyrie

pp. 138-139

### Hymn of Praise

pp. 140-141

### Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into

your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

**First Reading**

Acts 1:6-14

<sup>6</sup>When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

<sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

## Second Reading

I Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

<sup>12</sup>Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup>But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup>If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

<sup>5:6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time.

<sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand as you are able.*

## Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia! Sing to Jesus' vs 1

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C **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;**

**his the scepter, his the throne;**

**Alleluia! his the triumph,**

**his the victory alone.**

**Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:**

**"Jesus out of ev'ry nation  
has redeemed us by his blood."**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Holy Gospel**

John 17:1-11

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup>"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. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>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."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Be seated.*

## **Sermon**

### **Hymn of the Day**

*'Rise, O Sun of Righteousness'*

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*Stand as you are able.*

## **Nicene Creed**

p. 104

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*Petitions end:*

A Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

### **Peace**

*The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".*

*Be seated.*

## **Offering**

*Stand as you are able.*

**Offertory**      *'Alleluia! Sing to Jesus' vs 2*      **392**

**C Alleluia! Not as orphans**

**are we left in sorrow now;**

**Alleluia! he is near us;**

**faith believes, nor questions how.**

**Though the cloud from sight received him**

**when the forty days were o'er,**

**shall our hearts forget his promise:**

**"I am with you evermore"?**

## **Offering Prayer**

A Be known to us, O Lord,

**C in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

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*Be seated.*

## **Distribution of Holy Communion**

*Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand. Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. Gluten free wafers available by request. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.*

## **Hymns at the Distribution**

'Lamb of God' p. 146

'Alleluia! Sing to Jesus' vs 3-5 **392**

'I Come with Joy' **482**

*Stand as you are able.*

## **Table Blessing**

## Post Communion Prayer

A Life-giving God,

**C in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen**

## Blessing

P May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C Amen**

**Sending Hymn**      *'O Christ, Our Hope'*      **604**

## Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

## Prayer Huddle

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## **Worship Assistants: May 28**

**Greeters:** Mason – Karen Miller  
East – Karen & Gene Krull

**Assisting Minister:** Tom Jensen

**Lector:** Robbie / Skylar Johnson

**Communion:** Marty Grow

**Ushers:** Robbie Johnson, David Lease, Aaron Seidl,  
Jon Seidl

**Hospitality:** Joy DeBraal

**Organist:** Diane Bailey

**Attendance 5/21:** 8:30 a.m. 61  
10:30 a.m. 44

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## ***In Prayer this Week***

***For members on the Care List*** especially Adeline Elias and Dorothy Henke.

***For those in Hospice Care*** especially Adeline Elias.

***For Healing*** for Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Val Sieg; Joyce Asman living at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms; Ron Bailey.

***For those with cancer*** especially Melissa Heins, Gene and Karen Krull's daughter; Mark Catlin; Robyn Messenger, Deb Baumbach's sister; Roger Schmidt; Bob Blaskowski.

**“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.”** Romans 12:12



*If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.*

## **Announcements**

### **Semi Annual Congregational Meeting**

*Sunday, June 11th at 10:00 A.M.*

The June semi-annual meeting on the 11th will include the election of two positions on the church council (Secretary and Property). Information about the new elevator will be shared. Approval of additional funds needed in the installation of the elevator will also be requested. Members are encouraged to participate.

**Celebrating** 62 years of marriage today are James and Joy DeBraal. Congratulations James & Joy!!!

### **"Seeds for Growth, Spirit Led, Spirit Shaped."**

This is a process to revitalize and renew our congregation. We need your help. We need four to six people to serve on the Mission Culture Transformation Team. I have some names that the council recommended, but I also want to open it up to you. Would you be interested in serving?

Serving involves some commitment! We are looking for cross section from the congregation. A variety of gifts are needed such as visionary/big picture dreamer, practical planner, spiritually grounding guide, attending to details and more. We also want members who are new to Grace and some that have been here for some time. It would be helpful to have people from the first service and people who are from second service.

This is a multi-layered 18 to 24 month process for mission planning and transformation. Contact Pastor Dan if interested or if you need more information. Please prayerfully consider becoming a member of "Seeds for Growth"

## **New Member Gatherings**

Have you been thinking of joining Grace? We are planning a New Member Sunday on Pentecost Sunday which is June 4 this year. Interested people are asked to attend a gathering with Pastor Dan on Friday, June 2 at 6:00 p.m.

**RUMMAGE SALE Wrap Up.** Congratulations to each of us who supported the sale in any way this past week. Through your donations, time, and shopping we had the best sale since 2011. We raised \$931.65, and we did a great job of recycling too. Start saving for next year!

## **Day Camp: June 26 - 30**

Plan now to send your children who have completed grades 1 – 6 to Day Camp this Summer. Activities will include games, crafts, snacks/lunch, field trips, engaging Bible studies, music and more. Day Camp will be held from June 26 to June 30 at Zion Lutheran Church, 912 N Oneida St. Appleton, WI. Monday through Thursday camp times are 9 am to 3 pm and Friday from 9 am to 12 pm. Cost is \$10.00 per child. Registration is due by June 1<sup>st</sup> - forms are found on the desk in the gathering space or from Pastor Dan.

## **GRACE FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday, May 28**.....9:00 a.m. Worship  
12:30 p.m. Appleton Pentecostal Assembly (APA)

**Monday, May 29**.....7:30 p.m. AA Meeting  
*Office Closed for Memorial Day*

**Tuesday, May 30**.....6:30 p.m. Fox Valley Chorus

**Wed., May 31**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. TLC Worship  
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting  
7:00 p.m. APA Bible Study

**Thu., June 1**.....6:30 p.m. Fox Sounds

**Friday, June 2**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. New Member Meeting

**Saturday, June 3**.....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service

**Sunday, June 4**.....9:00 a.m. Worship  
12:30 p.m. Appleton Pentecostal Assembly (APA)

### ***Welcome to Grace***

*Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today. There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here.*