Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA Fourth Sunday of Easter LBW Setting Two Sunday, May 8, 2022

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

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 the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

Amen

*ENTRANCE HYMN: "Dearest Jesus, at Your Word" LBW (green) 248

*APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 78)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.





A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



© Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,





A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men

*HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 79) This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu ia. Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis-dom and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry strength, and his. This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and and the Lamb might be to God for - ev - er. This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

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*PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

FIRST LESSON: Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 23

¹The LORD | is my shepherd; I shall not | be in want.

²He makes me lie down | in green pastures and leads me be- | side still waters.

³He re- | vives my soul and guides me along right pathways | for his name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (LBW p. 83)



*GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.



²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S TIME & SERMON (LBW p. 83)

*HYMN OF THE DAY: "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" LBW 210

*APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 84)

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

*THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Gentle Shepherd, enable your church to respond to the voice of Jesus. Give us unfailing trust, unafraid to join in Jesus' work of renewing all things. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Feed your people at the table of creation. Prepare a safe place for those whose environments are dangerous or unhealthy, especially those making difficult journeys. Prosper your creation for the sake of every living thing. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Warm the hearts of all who celebrate and all who mourn on Mother's Day. Accompany those yearning to be mothers. Help us to heal from broken family relationships and open us to receive your nurturing love from all who serve mothering roles in our lives. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Seek out those who weep while they await healing or consolation (*especially*). Set people in their path who can provide the care they need, and wipe away every tear from their eyes. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Inspire the words of prophets and saints who employ innovative imagery to stretch our understanding. Send Christ to instruct us with motherly care. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Enfold us in the great multitude of saints from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages. Wash us in your saving grace every day, guiding us to your waters of life. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

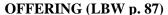
Amen.

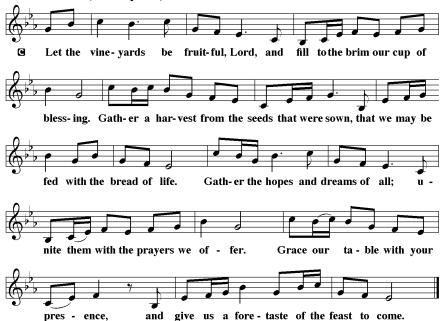
*PEACE (LBW p. 86)

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Staying in your pew, please exchange the peace with those around you as appropriate. Wave to folks in other pews.

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING





*OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 87)

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING

Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.

Great and wonderful are your deeds, O God of the universe;

just and true are your ways, O Ruler of all the nations.

Who can fail to honor you, Lord,

and sing the glory of your name?

Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb

forever and ever.

For you alone are the Holy One,

and blessed is the one whose name is the Word of God.

All praise and thanks to you, holy God!

Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb

forever and ever.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

*LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

*BLESSING (LBW p. 95)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ⊕ give you peace.

Amen.

*SENDING HYMN: "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" LBW (green) 343

*DISMISSAL (LBW p. 95)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Today's altar flower arrangement is presented in memory of Daryl Wilhelm, by Sandy Fair.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 5/15/2022

Acts 11:1-18, Ps 148, Rev 21:1-6, John 13:31-35

PRAYER REQUESTS

Uylana (Bezkorovayha) Haywood, Bezkorovay Family (live in Ukraine), Donna Keller, Tony & Linda Kowalewski, Randy McCullough, Don Miller, Tom & Pam Prowell, Gloria & Jim Ream, Jim Ream Jr., Mike & Janet Schriver, LeMos & Susette Stallard, Ron Stein, Mary Wiglesworth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Services are videotaped and streamed live each week on Zion Lutheran Church's Facebook page. It is possible during recording that people attending the service will be filmed. If you have any concern about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

Today is the deadline to order geraniums for Pentecost.

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, May 15 immediately following worship.

Volunteers needed! Zion will be hosting a concert by Nicholas Galinaitis on Sunday, May 15 from 2-3pm, followed by a reception. Volunteers are needed to setup/cleanup and bring goodies for the post-concert reception. If you can help,

there will be a signup sheet at social timed on Sunday; you may also call or text Rick Freda at 302-864-5700.

There will be a Christian Ed meeting on Tuesday, 5/17 at 6:30pm.

If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Pastor Katie Brantner at 717-420-0779.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Donna Price, Joy Keller-Brown, Tom Bailey, Susan Hengst, George Brown, Carrie Miller, Edgar Davis and Gevene Harden, Rick Freda

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Assisting Ministers:

May 8: Butch Hengst

May 15: Diane Bortner (Kyrie)

May 22: George Brown

May 29: Donna Price

Lectors:

May 8: Susie Hengst

May 15: Linda Beegle

May 22: Shirley Seitz

May 29: Kelley Fisher

Council Offering Duty:

May – Donna Price, Susie Hengst

Social Time Hosts:

May 8: Kay & Jim Hoffman

May 15: Jeff & Pam Hoffman

May 22: Bev Reindollar

May 29: Fisher Family

Altar Care:

May – Sandy Fair

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