Seventh Sunday of Easter



"Not Just Going to Church, but BEING the Church"

Saint Bartholomew Lutheran Church

May 24, 2020 11:00 am



Welcome to Worship!

This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Saint Bart's welcomes you to this virtual worship and our believing community. This morning we celebrate the **Seventh Sunday of Easter.** The worship service can be followed entirely in the bulletin which can be found at www.stbartlutheran.org. You can download today's bulletin and follow along with the service! The lyrics to the hymns are included for you to sing along!

Praying People

Everyone is invited to offer their prayer concerns out loud during the Prayers of the Church. We will pause to pray prayers if there is any one on the live feed who would like something prayed for.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.



Food Pantry will be running as on a limited schedule. We will be open Saturday May 30th at 10AM.

We will be looking for new creative ways to hopefully continue serving meals at least once a week. Stay Tuned!

Bible Study- postponed until further notice. We are discovering a way to be able to do this. Questions for study will be posted every week on Webpage.

Most Activities at Saint Bart's have been suspended until further notice because of the Corona Virus. We can use any food or monetary donations to help our community in need.

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Confession

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

- P Lord God,
- C Too often, we are hesitant in our proclamation; seeking safe and suitable opportunities to speak of our faith. Too often we are half-hearted in our service; reluctant to stand out from the crowd or to attract criticism. Too often we live as if dependent wholly on our own resources; relying on our perceived skills and modest insights. Too often we look to the clouds for our inspiration, in the vain hope of finding you there. Forgive the poverty of our efforts and the frailty of our faith and open wide our hearts and minds to the immanent presence of our Risen, Living and Ascended Lord Jesus Christ.
- P We were made by God, brought forth from the earth, the earth that was called good when God created it. Your very being is good. You are blessed, earth-born, and called forth to care for the earth and all who dwell in it. Know that you are + forgiven and loved by the God who made the earth, and made you, and share the Good News.

All: Amen.

Gathering Hymn: Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 856

How Great Thou Art



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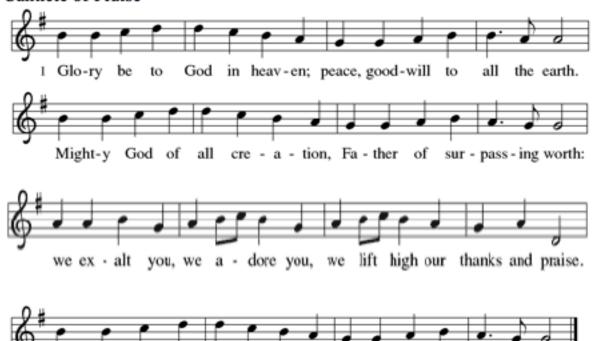
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you

■ Kyrie



Canticle of Praise



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Prayer of the Day

Saints and

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P 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.

an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

C Amen

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But 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." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They 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."

Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When 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. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

A Word of God, Word of life

C Thanks be to God

Psalm: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee.

As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I Am is that name, rejoice before God! In your holy habitation, O God, you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;

You give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom; but the rebels shall live in desert places.

O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a bountiful rain, O God; you restored your inheritance when it languished.

Your people found their home in it; in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord. You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens; you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.

How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel, giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

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. ¹³But 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. ¹⁴If 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.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And 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. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation



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- P The Holy Gospel according to **John the 17th** chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 17:1-11

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, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. "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

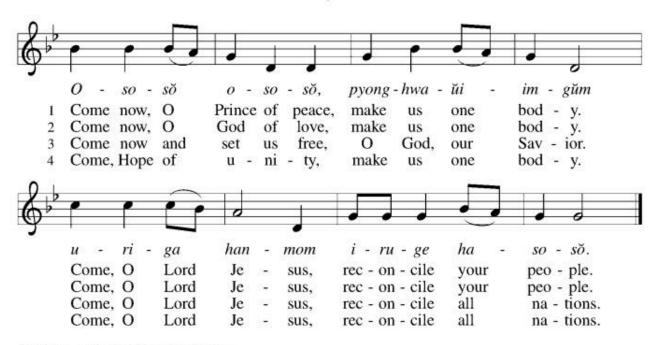
have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And 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.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 247

Come Now, O Prince of Peace Ososŏ, Ososŏ



Text: Geonyong Lee, b. 1947; tr. Marion Pope Music: OSOSÖ, Geonyong Lee, b. 1947 Text and music © Geonyong Lee

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

Prayers



Each petition ends:

A Lord, in your mercy

C Hear our prayer

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

O God, call your people to be one, as you are one. Unite your church in the truth of your gospel, the love of our neighbor, and the call to proclaim your reign to all people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Breathe life into your creation. Guide your people as we explore the mysteries of the universe. We pray for the work of scientists and mathematicians whose skill enriches our understanding). Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Make your justice known among the nations of the earth. Protect the vulnerable in our lands as we deal with COVID -19. Redirect those who use violence and greed as weapons. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Come to the aid of your children. We pray for those engulfed in grief, those without supportive families, and for all who are isolated, powerless, or afraid, that all may rest their anxieties in your care. We pray for those suffering, ill, or in need of Your care *especially*. *Carol Shevelev*, *Bobby*, *Mary*, *Margret*, *Dawn*,

Bob Farr, Faye, Jodi, Joe, Dana, Roger, Eleanor and Family, Billy, Claire, Pat, Kristy, Aiden, Ann, Dick, Seth, Mary, Daulton, Helena, Bob, Colliney, Chips, Dorothy, and Frances, and those we name now, ask for in the live stream, or silently in our hearts. (pause). Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give courage to all who embark on new ventures. We especially remember this day those who risked their lives to serve in our armed forces. Grant safety to those serving at home or abroad, and assure them of your never-failing strength. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

At this time, you may offer up prayers for loved ones, thanksgivings to God, or any other intercessions silently or aloud. (Pause) Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Raise all your saints to eternal life. Until that day, we give you thanks for the faithful examples of those who have listened to your voice and now rest in you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

(VICAR) With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Lord's Prayer

- P Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C 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 kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

+Sending+

Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, the same power that raised Jesus Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand—this same power is at work in each one of us who believe! So leave this time together in confidence and peace, knowing that God's presence and power go with you. The blessing of the + Creator, Redeemer and Inspirer will always be with you.

C Amen!

Sending Hymn Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 643 (3x)

We Are All One in Christ

Somos uno en Cristo



Dismissal

A Christ is risen, just as he said. Be in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude