Sermon: *"A God Who Serves"*

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.**

Prayers of the Church

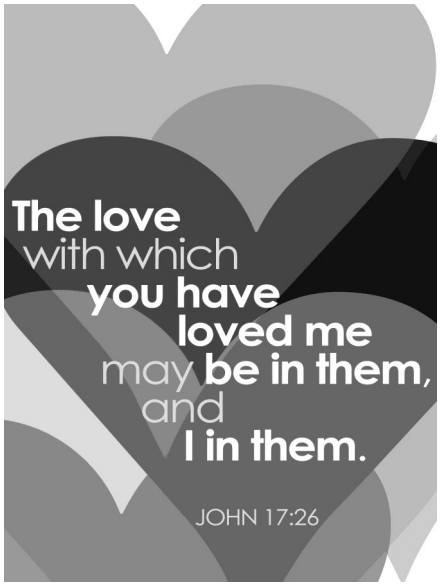
Lord's Prayer

**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

Offering will be collected during Dismissal.

Please wait to be dismissed by an Usher



Seventh Sunday of Easter

Parking Lot Service

May 24, 2020

P: We begin in the name of the Father, and of + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen

P: Brothers and Sisters in Christ, from the day that we were born until the day that we die, each and every day of our lives is lived out in sin, as daily we sin against both God and against one another:

Silence for Reflection and Confession

P: If you believe this to be true then, that you are indeed a sinner in need of the forgiveness of our Lord Jesus Christ, please respond by saying "Yes".

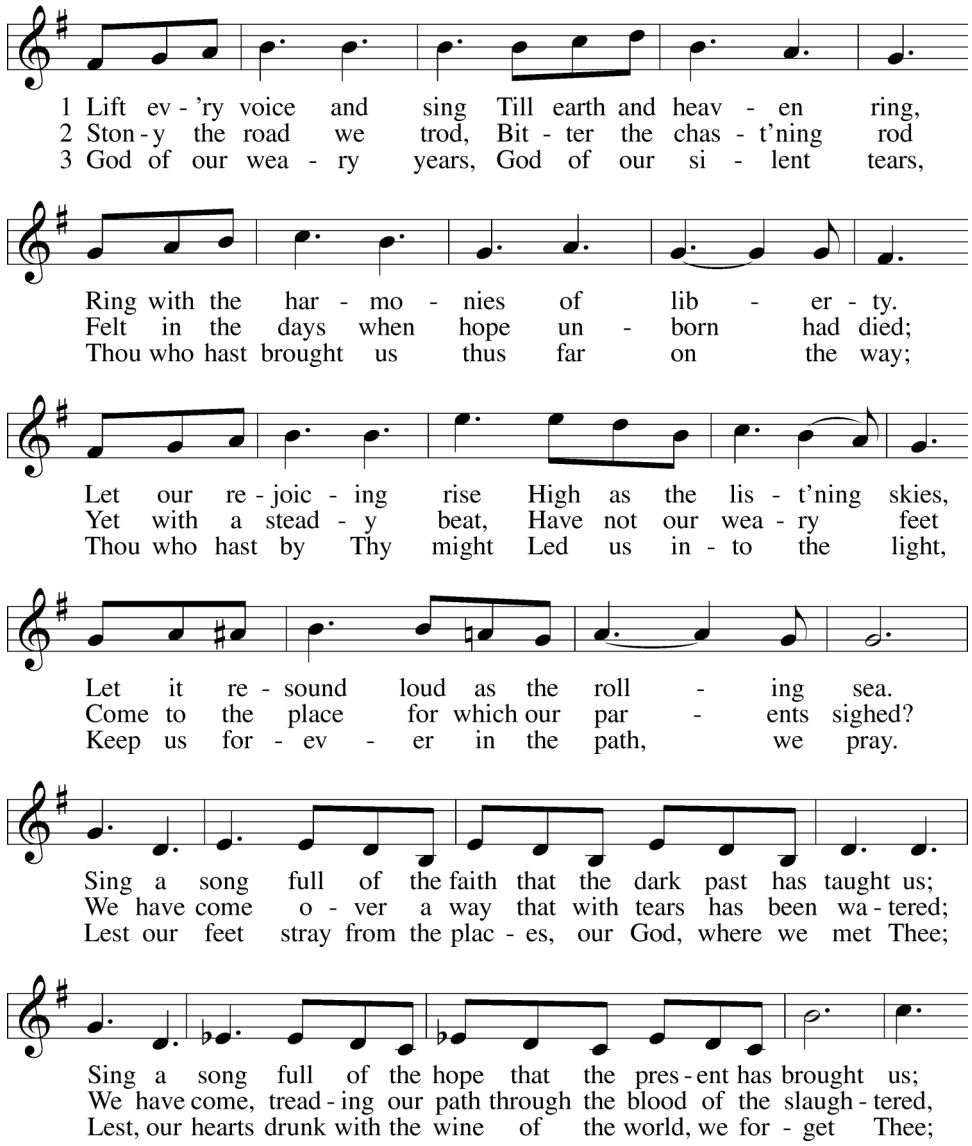
C: Yes

P: Acknowledging this to be your Confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of our Lord Jesus Christ therefore forgive you of all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Reading: **1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11**

[12] Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you,
as though something strange were happening to you. [13] But rejoice insofar as you
share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is
revealed. [14] If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the
Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. [15] But let none of you suffer as a murderer
or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. [16] Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him
not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. [17] For it is time for judgment to
begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for
those who do not obey the gospel of God? [18] And "If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" [19] Therefore let those who suffer
according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.
6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper
time he may exalt you, 7 casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for
you. 8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a
roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing
that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood through-
out the world. 10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who
has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen,
and establish you. 11 To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Reading: **John 17:1-11**

17 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said,
"Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, 2 since you
have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given
him. 3 And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ
whom you have sent. 4 I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that
you gave me to do. 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glo-
ry that I had with you before the world existed. 6 "I have manifested your name to
the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them
to me, and they have kept your word. 7 Now they know that everything that you
have given me is from you. 8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and
they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you;
and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I am praying for them. I am not praying
for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All mine
are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. 11 And I am no longer in
the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them
in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

Hymn 964 Lift Every Voice and Sing