

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' ¹⁵As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-7

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He

will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

Holy Gospel

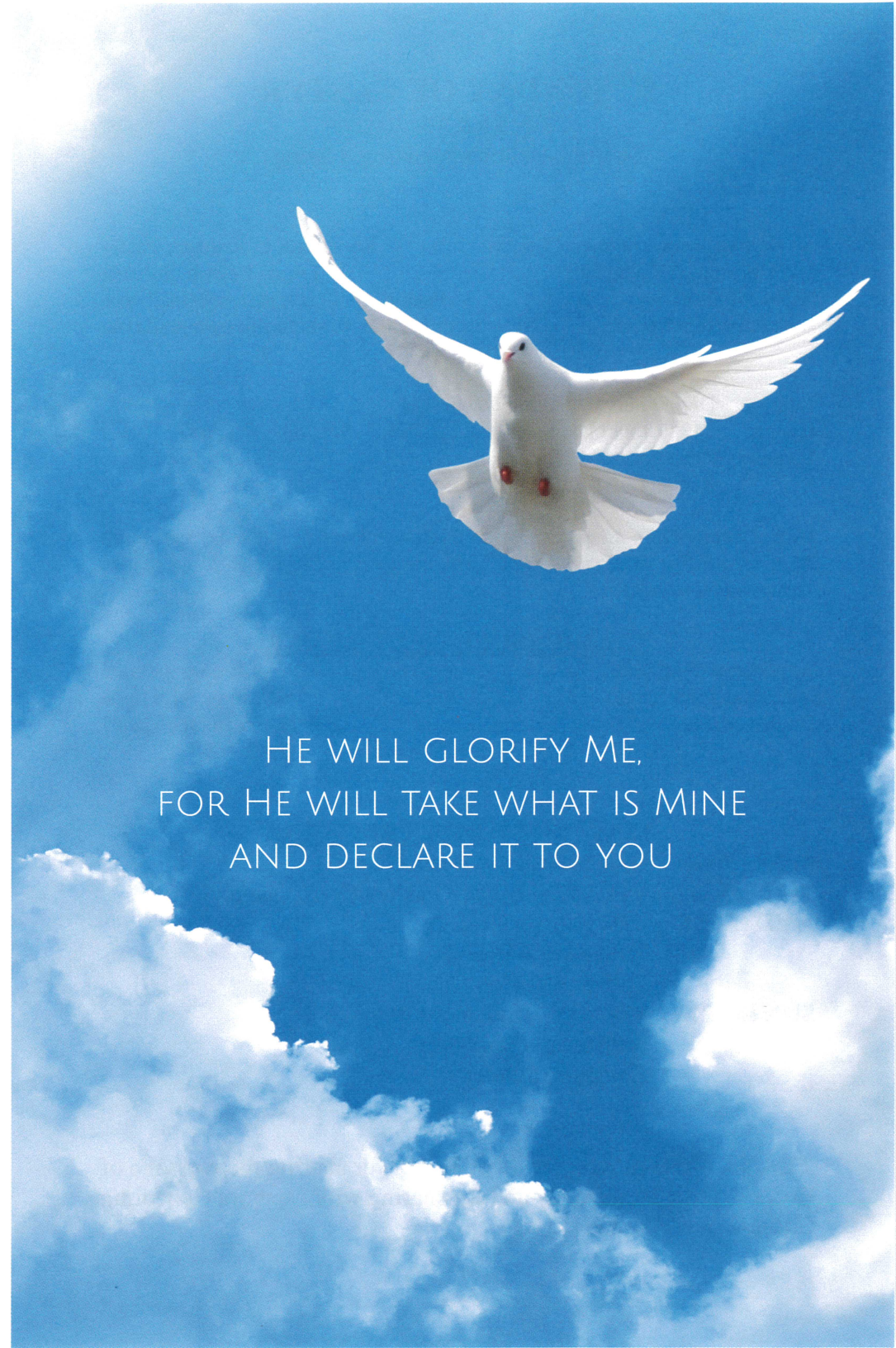
John 16:12-22

¹²[Jesus said:] "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

¹⁶"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'?" ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."



About the Cover: After Christ's resurrection, the Holy Spirit took the Lord's words to the disciples and opened their minds to understand all that He had taught. The Spirit is always working in and through the Word to bring about faith among us and all believers. Whenever we gather around Word and Sacrament, the Spirit is at work, drawing us close to the redeeming words of Jesus.



HE WILL GLORIFY ME,
FOR HE WILL TAKE WHAT IS MINE
AND DECLARE IT TO YOU

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 11 & 15, 2022

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151
Hymns: 540, 644 vs. 1 & 5, 633 vs. 1-2, 4-5, 8, 805, 637, 618, 643
Sermon: "The Losers"
Acts 5:12-14

***Holy Communion:** Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.*

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 5/4 (Wed): 30	Offering: \$435.06
Attendance 5/8 (Sun): 71	Offering: \$1,576.08
Budget Needs: \$3,594	Scrip Profit 5/8: \$28.63
S.S. - 7	Staff - 3
	B.C. - 5

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

MON (5/16) June Newsletter Items Due
TUES (5/17) 9:30 a.m. - Circuit Pastors Conf., Rantoul
WED (5/18) 6:00 p.m. - Choir
7:00 p.m. - Worship
7:45 p.m. - Council
SUN (5/22) 8:00 a.m. - S.S. (Last day)
9:00 a.m. - Worship
Graduate Sunday

THANK YOU to Rev. Dr. Kurt Taylor for sharing the message of God's Word with us today and for sharing with us about Concordia University Wisconsin (CUW).

WORK DAY is scheduled for Saturday May 14 at 9:30 a.m. Bring a shovel and rake. We will be filling and planting the areas where stumps have been removed.

HELP NEEDED - Painting needs to be done at the parsonage. Anyone able to help out contact Dave Kamps at 920-450-2909.

DINNER TICKETS - can be purchased for Pastors retirement party after church services or in the office during the week.

PICTURES NEEDED - We are having a picture board and a digital video for Pastor's party. If you have any pictures of Pastor Krueger from the past 32 years, please drop them off in the picture box in the narthex or in the church office. Please put your name on the back of the pictures so they can be returned later. Any digital pictures can be emailed to sblcbrillion@gmail.com.

CONFIRMATION & GRADUATION CARDS are available in the card room.

VACATIONING? *Try Electronic Offering with Joyful Response.* In thanksgiving for all we've been given, we joyfully give back to our Lord in offering. If you are planning any vacations, don't forget your offering. LCEF's *Joyful Response* will help you give automatically directly from your checking or savings account whether you are at home or away.

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

James 1:17 - "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." The thought James captures here is repeated over and over again in the Bible. Everything good we have is from God. He loves to give. He loves to bless. He loves to show us generosity time and again. And He desires that we grow into His image and reflect His love. That is why God wants us to give to the ministry of His Church. God can do anything He wants to without our help. But He commands us to give so that we will grow in our imitation of His own generosity.