+ FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER +

May 18, 2025

826 HARK, THE VOICE OF JESUS CRYING

| 1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day? 2 If you can-not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul, 3 If you can-not be a watch-man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall, 4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth-ing I can do," |
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| Fields are white and har-vests wait-ing— Who will bear the sheaves a-way?" You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all. Point - ing out the path to heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all, While the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing And the Mas-ter calls for you. |
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| Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of-fers thee. If you can - not rouse the wick-ed With the judg-ment's dread a - larms, With your prayers and with your boun-ties You can do what God com-mands; Take the task He gives you glad-ly, Let His work your plea-sure be; |
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| Who will an-swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"? You can lead the lit - tle chil-dren To the Sav-ior's wait - ing arms. You can be like faith-ful Aar-on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands. An - swer quick-ly when He call-eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!" |
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■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

- ▶ Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

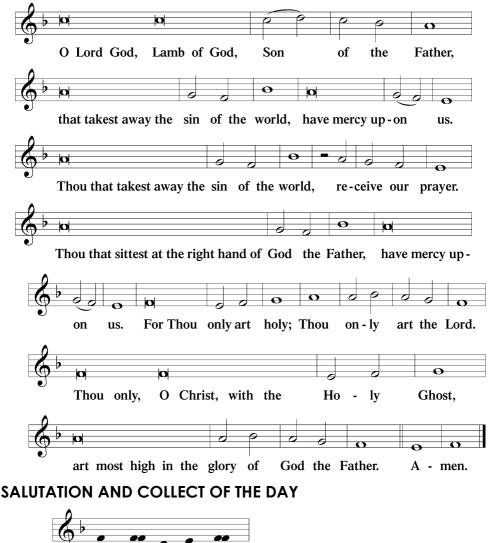
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- **C** Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

- \mathbf{P} Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
- **C** His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
- \mathbf{P} The LORD has made known his salvation;
- **C** he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{P}}$ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
- **C** All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- P Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
- **C** break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
- **P** Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
- **C** with the lyre and the sound of melody!
- $\textcircled{P} \quad \text{With trumpets and the sound of the horn}$
- **C** make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!
- \mathbf{P} Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
- **C** His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

0 G Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Ho-ly Ghost; and to the Son as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men. **KYRIE** LSB 186 **C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on Christ, have mer - cy up us. Lord, have on us. mer cy up on us. GLORIA IN EXCELSIS LSB 187 O Glory be to God on high: C and on earth peace, good - will toward P ο O O we bless Thee, we wor-ship We praise Thee, men. Thee, O O we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. 0 O 10 O Al - mighty. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther 0 10 O O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je -Christ; sus





- **P** Let us pray.
- P O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God

GRADUAL adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

A Christ has risen from the dead.

C [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

- A He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
- **C** he has put all things under his feet.

EPISTLE

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."

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C Thanks be to God.

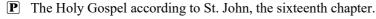
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HOLY GOSPEL

John 16:12-22

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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."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



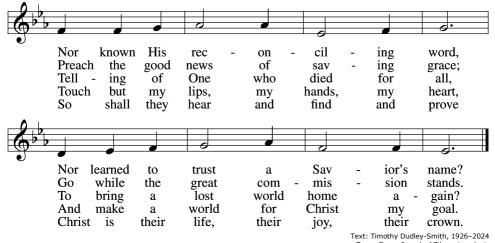
C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

831 "HOW SHALL THEY HEAR," WHO HAVE NOT HEARD

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Acts 11:17

SERMON

"Peru: Going God's Way"

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- **C** Amen.



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- ▶ For calm hearts and strong faith in the midst of our sorrows, that we who celebrate the resurrection of our Lord would trust in the promise of our own resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

● For faithful pastors who will teach us God's Word, devoted church workers who will serve us in His name, and those now preparing for church work vocations, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

● For all mothers with child and those with young children, that God would bless them in their trials; and that He would bless His Holy Church, the mother of all the children of God, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

▶ For our president, our governor, the Congress and legislature, judges and magistrates, and those in the armed forces, that the Lord would guide them to serve according to His will and for the common good of all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

● For <u>and all</u> those now in tribulation, that God, who will at last banish all sorrow, sin and death, would increase their faith and see them through their trials, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

▶ For those who prepare to receive with faith and thanksgiving Christ's flesh for the life of the world and His blood that cleanses us from sin, that He would unite us to believe and confess one faith and bring us to that day when we shall be one people together at His table, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

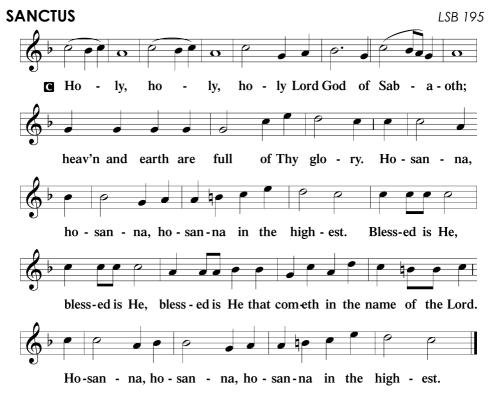
P O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. OFFERING

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

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 the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

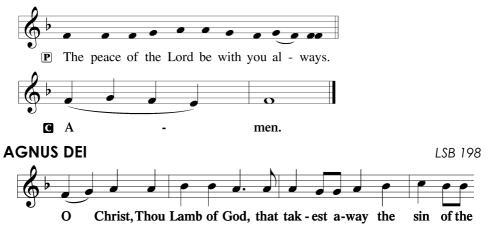
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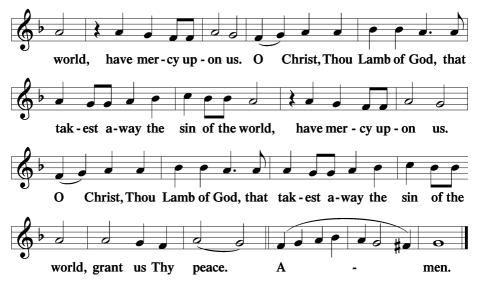
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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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O Lord, our God, in Holy Baptism You have called me to be a Christian and granted me the remission of sins. Make me ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all my sins, and grant me a grateful heart that I may give thanks to You, O Father, to Your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



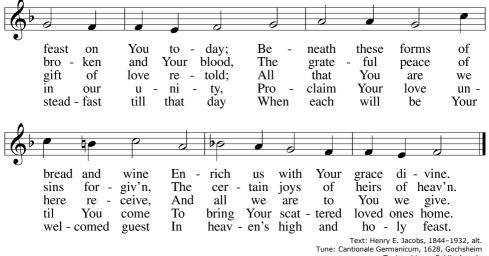
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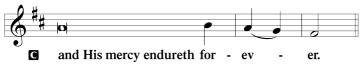
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- ▶ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- **C** Amen.

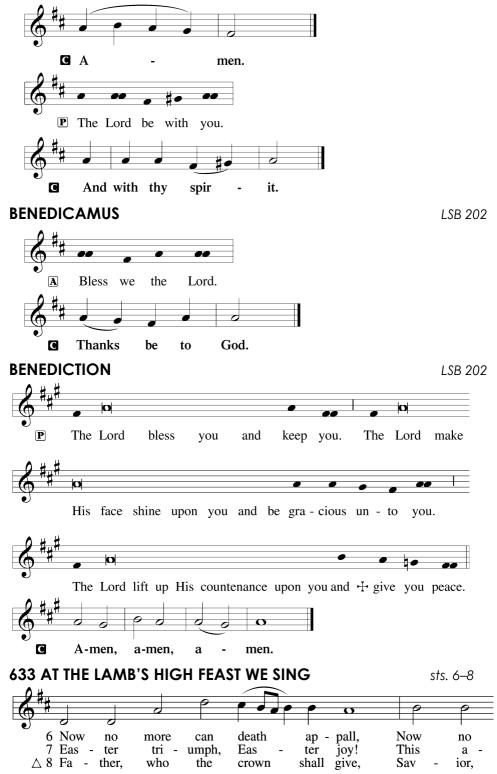
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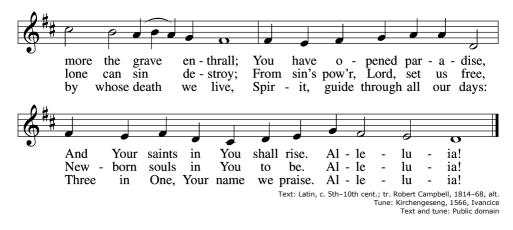




A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





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