## PRAYER SERVICE FOR SUNDAY, MAY 16 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Grayscale Print = Leader, Bold Print=Congregation* 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!



Please stand as you are able.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

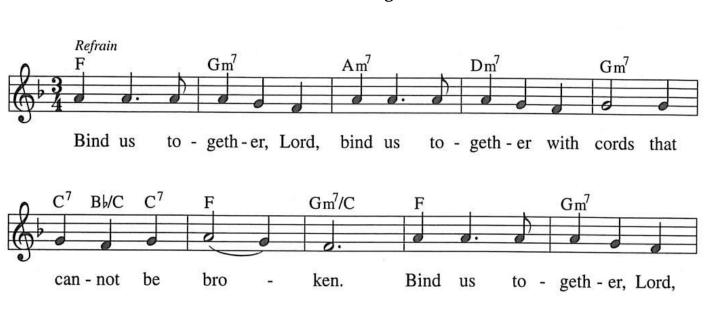
Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.
We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.
Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.
Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ.
Cleanse our hearts.
Shower us with life.

Amen.

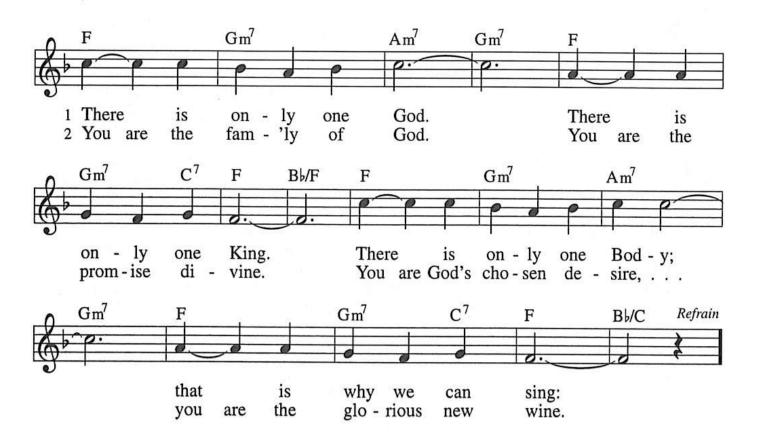
To you be given all praise,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.





bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love.



#### **GREETING**

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

#### **OPENING DIALOGUE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen, Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

## FIRST READING: ACTS 1:15-17, 21-26

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, <sup>16</sup>"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." <sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 1

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>Their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

4It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

## SECOND READING: 1 John 5:9-13

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

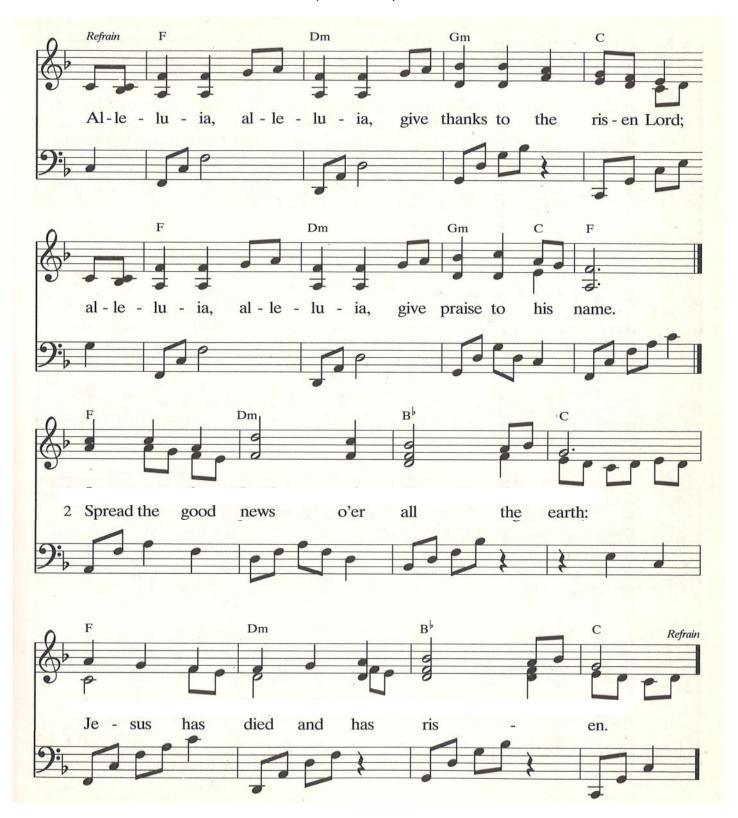
<sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. 4

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Please stand as you are able.

## Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks



#### **GOSPEL: JOHN 17: 6-19**

The Gospel according to St. John the seventeenth chapter..

## Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] 6"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. 7Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8 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.  $^{10}$ All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.  $^{11}$ And 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. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. 14I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 15I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. 19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Please be seated.

#### CHILDRENS MESSAGE

## **MESSAGE**

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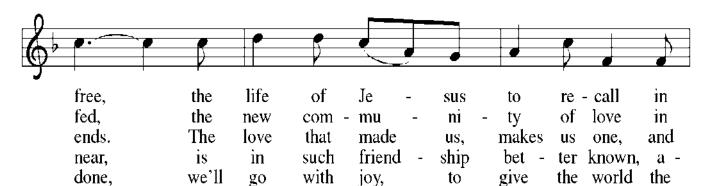
#### PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.



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- 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di vi sion
- 4 The Spir it of the ris en Christ, un seen, but ev er 5 To geth er met, to geth er bound by all that God has





laid down for love me, Christ's com - mu - nion bread, strang - ers now friends, are a - mong live here, us love that makes one, us

laid down in love for me. in Christ's com-mu - nion bread. and strang - ers now friends. are a - live a - mong here. us love that makes the one. us

### **NICENE CREED**

Let us profess our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

## A brief silence.

Holy God, in Christ Jesus the joy of the church is made complete. Root the church in your Word and unify us as Christ's body. Send us into the world as your loving people, ready to testify to your Spirit at work. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Mighty God, the world is your handiwork, displaying your creative impulse. Seas teem with life, forests reach up to praise you, and the mystery of life lies deep in the soil. Guard and keep this world for the well-being of all your creatures. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Gracious Sovereign, those who follow your ways are like trees planted near streams of water. Establish the leaders of nations and all in authority in your grace and truth. Strengthen them, so that the people they serve will have abundant life. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Generous Savior, you befriend those who are sick, suffering, poor, lonely, outcast, rejected, or sick. Grant healing and love to all in need (*especially*). Give them tangible signs of your steadfast love. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Creator God, here in this community we share the gift of praying, learning, and supporting one another. Give us thankful hearts as we claim the gifts that are unique to us and keep us from being envious of others with different gifts. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

## Here other intercessions may be offered.

Saving God, your wonderful promise is the gift of eternal life in Jesus. Through the witness of those who have died in you, strengthen us now in this gift of life. We cherish the memory of your saints (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.

Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Please be seated.

#### COMMUNION

Communion is received at the very end of the worship service.

The Pastor will come to your seat.

Worshippers are encouraged to receive the bread and wine, to eat and drink, and leave as you are comfortable.

Elements at in-person worship are wine & juice made with grapes and gluten free bread.

## **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup

we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

### **BLESSING**

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.

The God of life, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,

bless you now and forever.

Amen.

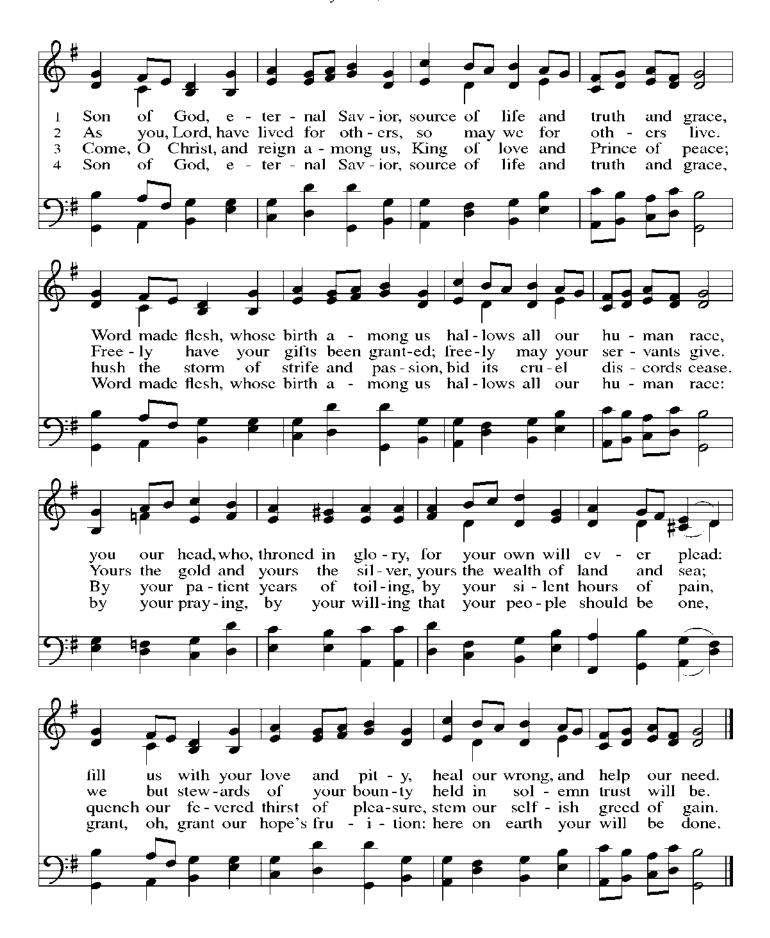
#### **SENDING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



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## Prayers for Week of May 16

## TODAY we pray for:

**Bob Ench** 

Bill

Jenny

Barbara Andrade

David Wasgatt

August—cousin of Mandy Munson

Vera Wagenfuhr

Claire

Ron Walker

Ed Nagy

Debbie

Ben

Nancy Miller

Allen Whitley

Roger Camp

Krisida Dielemans

• all in our hearts and minds today.

#### WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Stacy Dambaugh; Pat Kizuka; Polly Gillis; Louise Ench, Kathy Long; Gener Ernst, Barbara Hewlett, Scott; Barbara Lynn Grabher, daughter in law of Erika and Ed Burke; Kyle; Bill Smith, step-father of Rebecca Koreck; Lena; Leslie, friend of Diane Teig, Jack Baskow; Claudia and Geof Bromfield, Scott & Lia Wycoff; The Fenner family; John Worrell—brother in law of Bill Baur; Mike Goyda; Lis Verbeck; Lois Snyder; David & Angie Wasgatt; John Deaton; Joan Sandstorm; Delores Sipe; Doug Price; Bob Waller; Kent Hardel; Gretchen Platz; Ellen Hall; Nanci Hunsinger, Claire Schoening; Tyler, Bill Howerin; Marcia Burton; Gina Clay

For our bishops; Elizabeth Eaton, Bill Gohl

For the Dean of the Delmarva Conference; Pastor Paige Evers

For our staff; Pastor Tara, Susan Wells Allen, Jordan Irazabal, Louis Jones

For leaders & congregations of the Delmarva Conference

For all pastors and church leaders

For our country; the United States, leaders and citizens.

For all of our global neighbors, stricken by the corvid-19 virus.

To request a prayer, or update prayers, please call the church office (302-239-6481) or email office@glcde.org.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Grace is worshipping in-person Sunday at 11:00am

Outdoor and livestreamed worship at 11AM. We will be singing and celebrating Holy Communion at this service. All are welcome to attend in-person or online. Please keep in mind that if it is raining, in-person worship will be cancelled and participants are welcome to watch worship livestreamed via our website (<a href="www.glcde.org">www.glcde.org</a>) or our Facebook page. Worshippers are asked to wear a mask; you are also asked to bring your own seating for the parking lot or the grassy bank across from the portico. Worshippers can bring up the bulletin on their phones or print a copy to use and limited copies will be available. Parking in Grace's lot may be limited, but we may use Cooke Elementary School's parking lot if needed. Registration for this worship service is not needed but you will be asked to check-in as you arrive and to provide contact information as needed as this is a requirement of the State of Delaware for contact tracing purposes if necessary

## Adult Ed on Sunday Mornings at 9:30am

Please join us on Sunday at 9:30 AM on Zoom for Adult Ed as we continue with the Bible Study of **Songs of the Faithful: Studies in Psalms**.

Zoom:

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## FYI:

Today is Consecration Sunday. If you need a pledge card for 2021-22, please contact Gerry Teig.

Grace will go to summer schedule beginning after Memorial Day—service will be held at 10:00am on Sundays.

Grace's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, July 18.

Submissions for the Annual Report are due Sunday, June 6th. Please send to Dipti Pitta at drdiptivet@gmail.com with copy to office@glcde.org.



# **Praying with Your 5 Fingers**

By: Jorge Mario Bergoglio (Pope Francis)

## God, I pray...

for support and wisdom for those that teach, instruct and heal. For divine guidance for our leaders, those in government, and those who have authority.

For help and strength for those that are weak, sick, or suffering.

for those that are closest to me, because I love them. I give you thanks and praise. I pray for the littlest of all needs, myself.

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