

# Seventh Sunday of Easter (Ascension Sunday) May 13, 2018 | 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. John Throop, Celebrant The Rev. Gregory Schultz, Deacon

#### The Word of God

**Processional Hymn** 

"All Praise to Thee, For Thou, O King Devine"

Blue #477

#### **Opening Acclamation**

Alleluia. Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Song of Praise (10 am)

"Gloria"

Green #157

(8 am)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray: O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.** 

#### A Reading from the Book of Acts (1:15-17, 21-26)

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "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-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 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." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." 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

- 1 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 his law 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.
- <sup>4</sup> It 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 is doomed.

#### A Reading From the First Letter of John (5:5-19)

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. 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. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. 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.

**Sequence Hymn** 

"How Great Thou Art"

Green #494

## The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (17:6-19) Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "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. I 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. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. 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. 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. But 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. I 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. I am not asking you to take them out of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You Lord Christ.

#### 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

#### The Prayers of the People (Form VI)

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (Silence)

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; especially for Randy our mayor, Scott our Governor, and Donald our President. We pray for the members of the armed forces, especially Ethan, Izaac, Robert, Amanda, Ryan, and Justin. For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, For Matthew our Bishop, for Bishop Godfrey of the diocese of Masvingo. Our companion diocese, for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. (Silence) The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. (Silence) The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. (Silence)

The People may add names of the departed.

Lord, Let your loving kindness be upon them.

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Proclamation of Forgiveness** 

Mothers Day: Blessing of All Women

The Peace

#### **Holy Communion**

The Offertory Song

"See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph"

Blue #215

The Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel, sit or remain standing.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

**Communion Hymn** 

"I Am the Bread of Life"

Green #830

#### **After Communion**

Let us pray: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

**Recessional Hymn** 

"Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise" (V. 1-4)

Green #456

The Dismissal Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# April/May

Sunday	Greeter/Usher	Reader	Chalice	Acolyte
5/13	Roger Dulmes Sharon Dulmes	Betty Liddle	Laurel Cizauskas	Fleli Hakizimana
5/20	Paul Bartelt Cheryl Dobrzynski	Barb Schultz	Nancy Simenz	Linda Palmer
5/27	Richard Bennin Joann Strassburger	Sharon Kneeland	Linda Palmer	Jim Brack

**Greeters:** Please remember to wear your Greeter Badge **Acolytes:** Please remember to wear your Acolyte Pendant

### Do you like children? Are you looking

to share your love of God with the younger generation? Wondering how you can help out? Then the Children's Ministry is the place for you! We are currently looking for volunteers who are willing to help out in the Nursery or Sunday School room on a rotating basis. Please see **Lisa Dozier** or **Fr. John** for more information. We'd love to have you!

#### **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

10:00 a.m.

Fellowship Hall Meeting Room



#### **Reports of the Resurrection**

We'll look at how the resurrection of Christ is reported in the New Testament. Discover the different angles offered in the four gospels and by the apostle Paul about the same event and story.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN** 

**FORMATION** 

What to Say After Saying Hello

**Today: "Starting a Spiritual** 

Conversation" Part 2"

May 16: Paul's 's Report on the Resurrection

# Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed

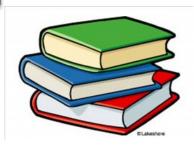
Do you enjoy having a cup of coffee, nibbling on snacks, and visiting with friends after church?

If so, the St. Peter's kitchen is calling

your name! Please consider
volunteering to make coffee, slice
sausage and cheese, and oversee basic
set-up and clean-up of our coffee
hour.

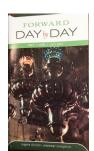


## **Book Club**



Book lovers are able to choose between non-fiction and science fiction for St. Peter's Book Club's next discussion on Monday, June 4. Participants are asked to read either *Mighty Fitz: The Sinking of the Edmund* 

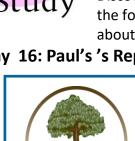
Fitzgerald," an in-depth account by Michael Schumacher of the 1975 sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald during a storm in Lake Superior, or "The Different Girl," in which author Gordon Dahlquist offers a cryptic vision of the future through the eyes of four androids. A potluck luncheon will begin at noon, and a discussion of both books will follow. Please consider reading one or both books and then join us. All are welcome!



#### Forward Day by Day

New copies in regular and large print are now available. Get yours before they are gone!





## **What's** \* Mother's Day \* "Living a Complete Life" Rev. Dr. John Throop \* Adult Christian Formation: "Starting a Spiritual Con at St. Peter's \* Spring Ingathering—UTO

#### This Sunday:

- \* Adult Christian Formation: "Starting a Spiritual Conversation"



#### **Anniversaries**

Joe & Betty Richardson 05/13

#### **Birthdays**

Lynn Brownrigg 05/13 Jordan Ciha 05/16 Chanelle Hakizimana 05/16 Betty Richardson 05/17 Joe Richardson III 05/18



**TODAY** we'll feature a Blessing of All Women at both services. We are glad you could join us on this special Sunday!





#### **Good Shepherd** Meal

St. Peter's is the host church for the May meal

Tuesday, May 22, 2018 First Reformed Church, Sheboygan Falls

Please sign up to help! There are many ways:

**Kitchen:** Arrive at 2:30

Help set up and prepare food.

Serve: Arrive at 4:30

**Bake:** Make bars, cookies and drop them off at St. Peter's or First Reformed on Tuesday, May 22nd

For more information, call or email Charlie Ma-

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#### COMPANION DIOCESE SUNDAY **MAY 13**<sup>TH</sup>

Here at St. Peter's, and all around the Diocese of Fond du Lac. we pray regularly for the Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe. We remember Bishop Godfrey Tawonezvi and for the nearly 40 parishes and many more mission stations.

Our Companion Diocese relationship is in the building stages. But we already support each other in prayer. Bishop Gunter and Bishop Tawonezvi share their ministries as bishops in the global Anglican Communion. We'll have guests from the Diocese of Masvingo at this fall's diocesan convention.

Please be generous! The loose offering *today* will be set aside for the Companion Diocese effort. You also can make a check payable to St. Peter's and earmark it Companion Diocese.

For more information, go to www.diofdl.org and look on the home page for Companion Diocese Sunday.

**Educational Scholarship -** St. Peter's has a scholarship program for members who are starting or continuing in college/university education, an Associate Degree at LTC, or an apprentice or training program for skilled workers. Please see Father John for more information, or to request an application.

**Staff Changes:** Our music minister, Margaret Brack, will not go forward in the ordination process of the Diocese of Fond du Lac. She and Jim will be leaving this parish at the end of July. Shannon Madden, our parish church administrator, will leave at the end of May. Please be in prayer as we seek new persons for these ministries. And let's thank them for their good work at St. Peter's.

## Prayer Requests

New and Immediate Prayer Requests: Helen, Hilde, Geoffrey, Chuck, Betty, Julie, Ann, Sarah, Mary R., Zakary, Lisa, Carmella, Fr. John Cell, Barb Cromwell, Peter, Sandra Long-term and Ongoing Prayer Requests: Bob P., Mary P., Michael, Dave A., Dolores, Leah, Bill, Andrew, Bob W., Heather, Larry, Kris, Arlyne, Francine, Jackie, Pat, Nikki, Lyla, Sadie, Kristian, Pastor Susan

Faithful Departed: Jackie Rudolph Our Shut-ins: Pam, Gertrude, Sue, Carol

The Church: St. Ann, Depere

In the Anglican Communion: The Anglican Centre in Rome

Companion Diocese: Diocese of Masvingo, Bishop Godfrey Tawonezvi with its clergy and people

For Missionaries and persecuted Christians throughout the world

Peace where there is turmoil; that true and lasting peace will be realized Members of the Armed Forces: Ethan, Izaac, Robert, Amanda, Ryan, Justin

#### Vestry

Fr. John Throop & Deacon Greg Schultz

George Palmer, Sr. Warden (2018) Rick LeMahieu, Jr. Warden (2018) Paul Bartelt, Clerk (2019) Mike Lindsay (2019) Eline Muhire (2020) Joanne Strassburger (2020) Barbara Zirwes-Nysse (2021) Jennifer Buelow (2021)

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