



CHURCH



## Easter VII

May 24, 2020

Hymn 450

Officiant        If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3:1

### The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant        Lord, open our lips.  
People            *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!*

Christ our Passover    *Pascha nostrum*

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

*Alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,*

*Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \**

*but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.*

*Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.*

*The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.*

*So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.*

*Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.*

*For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.*

*For as in Adam all die, \*  
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.*

## **The Psalm Appointed**

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

Exsurgat Deus

1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*  
let those who hate him flee before him.

2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \*  
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the  
presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*  
let them also be merry and joyful.

4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;  
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \*

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, \*  
God in his holy habitation!

6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into  
freedom; \*

but the rebels shall live in dry places.

7 O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
when you marched through the wilderness,

8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
you refreshed the land when it was weary.

10 Your people found their home in it; \*  
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \*  
sing praises to the Lord.

34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \*  
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

35 Ascribe power to God; \*  
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.

36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! \*  
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!  
Blessed be God!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it  
was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!*

## **The Lessons**

### **Acts 1:6-14**

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the

room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Here ends the Reading.

*The Canticle is prayed aloud together*

18 A Song to the Lamb Dignus es Revelation 4:11, 5:9-10, 13

*Splendor and honor and kingly power \*  
are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is, \*  
and by your will they were created and have their being;  
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,  
From every family, language, people, and nation, \*  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.  
And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*  
and to Christ the Lamb,  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*  
for ever and for evermore.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.  
Alleluia!*

### **John 17:1-11**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I

glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. "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."

Here ends the reading.

## **Homily**

Hymn 460

## **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together,*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Prayers**

Officiant      The Lord be with you.

People         *And also with you.*

Officiant      Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. *And grant us your salvation.*  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. *Let your people sing with joy.*  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. *Your saving health among all nations.*  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

We pray especially this day for those who are sick or suffering:  
Maria, Zoma, Clint, Peter, Kevin, Kerri, Rich, Janet, Nancy, Frank,

George, Caroline, Mary, Zen, and all whom we mention now either silently or aloud.

We commend to you all who have died especially all whom we mention now either silently or aloud.

*The Officiant then says the following Collects*

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.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 182

## **The General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to  
generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.  
Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21

Hymn 542

