

Church of St. Clare -- Worship Aid



Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 2, 2021

Opening: "They'll Know We are Christians"

R. And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

- 1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.**
- 2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.**
- 3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side. We will work with each other, we will work side by side, and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.**
- 4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son, and all praise to the**

Gloria:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. 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, A-men.

1st Reading ACTS 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm: "I Will Praise You, Lord"

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

- 1. I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the Lord. The lowly shall eat their fill; They who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your hearts live forever!"**

2. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; All the families of the nations shall bow down before him.
3. To him alone shall bow down all who sleep in the earth; Before him shall bend all who go down into the dust.
4. And to him my soul shall live; My descendants shall serve him. Let the coming generation be told of the Lord. That they may proclaim to a people yet to be born the justice he has shown.

2nd Reading 1 Jn 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

R. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! “Remain in me,” says the Lord; **Allelu-ia!**

“Remain in me and bear much fruit.” **Allelu-ia!**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia...Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I 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 adored and gloried, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Petitions:

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Presentation: "In Every Age"

R. In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our refuge. In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.

1. Long before the mountains came to be and the land and sea and stars of the night, through the endless seasons of all time, you have always been, you will always be.
2. Destiny is cast and at your silent word we return to dust and scatter to the wind. A thousand years are like a single moment gone, as the light that fades at the end of day.
3. Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be patient even as we wait. Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain. To sleep peacefully, and to rise up strong.

Preface Acclamation

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

The Mystery of Faith

Priest: The mystery of faith.

R. When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death O Lord, until you come again, until you come again.

Great Amen

R. A-men! A-men! A--men! A—men!

Sign of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

Lamb of God

R. Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion: "Remain in Me, I Am the Vine"

R. Remain in me, I am the vine. Remain in me; you shall have life. You are the branches; bear fruit for all to see. I am the vine, remain in me.

1. No branch can live without the tree, nor grow or serve apart from me. This I have told you that you may see my love in you, your joy complete.
2. No longer slaves, I call you friends. I shall be with you to the end. Keep my commandments; I dwell in you. So, now bear witness to the truth.
3. As I have done so you should do, so as to love as I love you. For in your witness, my love is shown; in simple ways, my heart made known.
4. As I died, so too shall you die. As I rose, so too shall you rise. Do not be troubled; your eyes have seen. You trust in God, have trust in me.

5. I am the way, the truth, the life. I am your living sacrifice. I offer freely my life for you. Go now and do as I would do.

Concluding Rite:

R. Thanks be to God, Allelu-ia, Alle-lu-ia!

Closing: "Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

1. Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song! Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, to the former days belong. All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease; In God's likeness, people waking, know the everlasting peace.
2. Oh, what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived! Holiest hearts for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived. God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits; ev'ry humble spirit shares it, Christ has passed th'eternal gates.

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Mass of Spirit and Grace

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