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INTRODUCTION

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Lord of All Hopefulness

Arr. A.K. Organ

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden. In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #650

In Christ There is No East or West

KYRIE

Music in Red hymnal on page 138

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
P: 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.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Music in Red hymnal on page 140 and 141

C: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Let us pray . . .
O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: **Amen.**

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

R: ⁶When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the

time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But 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." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They 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." ¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When 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. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

R: ¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Music on Page 142

**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to John 17:1-11

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ¹After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ⁶I 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; ⁸for 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. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And 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."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Jeff Glawe

HYMN Red hymnal #581

You Are Mine

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (*Response after each petition*)

P: Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer . . .

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.

OFFERING—INVITATION—God's Work Continues

OFFERING SONG Red hymnal #186 *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

BLESSING

P: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #643 (sing twice through) *We are All One in Christ*

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C: **The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:
“Serving Christ through serving others.”**

P: Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

I Come with Joy

Arr. Bottomley

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted
to the church office by calling 1 937-667-3110 or e-mail.*

Offering 5/17

Total Unified Giving: \$3,812.00

Total Building Fund: \$ 725.00

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Month of March 2020 Finances

Unified Giving: \$21,440.22

Expenses: \$18,378.61

Building Fund Giving: \$1,530.37

Mortgage Payment: \$2,500.00

Building Fund Balance: \$32,771.39

If you desire more detailed financial information there are ten copies of the balance sheet and income statement for the month of March 2020, on the table as you leave the sanctuary. If you have any questions please bring them to our next Council meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT / **Needy Basket** is still collecting non-perishable food items during this pandemic. We encourage you to continue to support the Needy Basket food pantry by dropping off food at the church. The collecting can will be right outside the Walnut Street entrance. Many families are in need at this time. Thanks for feeding your neighbors.

Staff

Pastor Jeff Glawe, *Pastor*; Terri Darrah, *Choir Director*;
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COMPOSER OF THE MONTH by Lori Sebastian

Anne Krentz Organ is a popular Lutheran composer. She has written countless arrangements for piano, choral, bell, and instrumental music. Anne received her Bachelors of Music in Piano Performance from Valpraiso University, her Masters of Music in Piano Pedagogy from the University of Illinois, and received a Certificate of Advanced Studies of Church Music from Concordia University (River Forest, IL).

She has been published by a wide variety of publishing houses: Augsburg Fortress, Choristers Guild, Hope Publishing, and Morningstar Music. She serves at St. Luke's Lutheran Church (Park Ridge, IL) as Director of Music. She has various responsibilities: directing various vocal choirs, working with instrumental ensembles, directing a handbell choir, planning worship, and playing for services.

Anne has taught in various capacities during her career and has served as past president of Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (ALCM). She planned to teach piano primarily, but ended up service playing and during Communion recognizing a need for composition. Shortly thereafter her composing career was born. She wrote pieces that would become Reflections on Holy Communion subsequently published by Augsburg Fortress. Most years since, she has produced under Augsburg Fortress Publishing some kind of "Reflections on . . ." for various hymn tunes. Some recent volumes include "Piano Reflections on Hymns of Healing", "Piano Reflections on Pentecost Tunes", and "Piano Reflections on Chorale Tunes". She is currently composing (for Augsburg Fortress) volumes of Four by Four which are designed for four handbell ringers and piano.

If I had to select a favorite piece of mine by A. K. Organ, it would be one written relatively early in her composition career (1996): On Eagle's Wings. Her instrumental pieces are fun – I enjoy when Advent comes playing the piano parts to some of her dance-like compositions with a flute (or clarinet). She has written countless arrangements on hymn tunes (often multiple movements) for piano that are varied and interesting – sometimes shifting melody to the bass line, sometimes switching a familiar tune to a different (or unusual) meter, and often giving one a sense of peace and enjoyment. While many of her compositions focus on traditional hymnody, she incorporates new hymns into her works and has even published a collection of global hymn tunes. Probably the most common question I get when I play her pieces (for piano) - the confusion that her last name is Organ. And yes - she has been published for organ composition in the Augsburg Organ Library! Anne is married to husband Jim and they have three grown sons: Andrew, Daniel, and Paul.

The pieces that I will play / have played by Anne Krentz Organ in May:

May 3 - You are Mine – Prelude

May 10 - I Know that My Redeemer Lives - Postlude

May 17 - O Lamb of God, You Bear the Sin – Prelude

May 24 - Lord of All Hopefulness – Prelude

May 31 - Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove – Prelude Pentecost Sunday