



CHURCH OF THE
REDEEMER

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10, 2020

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

Chorus

Lord of all to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise

Verse 1

For the beauty of the earth
For the glory of the skies
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies

Verse 2

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night
Hill and vale and tree and flower
Sun and moon and stars of light

Verse 3

For the joy of human love
Brother sister parent child
Friends on earth and friends above
For all gentle thoughts and mild

Verse 4

For Thy Church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love

Verse 5

For Thyself best gift divine
To the world so freely given
For that great great love of Thine
Peace on earth and joy in heaven

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Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Officiant: 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.

CONFESSON OF SIN

You may kneel or sit during the prayer of confession

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us;

People: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

**People: As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Officiant: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

O GLADSOME LIGHT

O gladsome light,
pure brightness
of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ,
holy and blessed!

Now as we come
to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times
to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God,
O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Paul Calvin, 2020

1 PETER 2:1-12

¹ So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. ² Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵ you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷ So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

⁸ and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

¹¹ Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹² Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

The Holy Bible, ESV

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

Rev. Paul Calvin

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

In order to support the mission of the church financially, you may send checks to Church of the Redeemer, P.O. Box 130965, St. Paul, MN 55113, or if you wish to give online or set up direct deposit from your bank account, please visit <https://oftheredeemer.org/give/>

Officiant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

JESUS THOU JOY OF LOVING HEARTS

Verse 1

Jesus Thou joy of loving hearts
Thou fount of life Thou light of men
From the blest bliss that earth imparts
We turn unfilled to Thee again

Verse 2

Thy truth unchanged has ever stood
Thou savest those that on Thee call
To them that seek Thee Thou art good
To them that find Thee all in all

Chorus

We taste of Thee O living bread
And long to feast upon Thee still
We drink of Thee the Fountainhead
And thirst our souls from Thee to fill

Verse 3

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee
Where'er our changeful lot is cast
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see
Blest when our faith can hold Thee fast

Verse 4

O Jesus ever with us stay
Make all our moments calm and bright
Chase the dark night of sin away
Shed over the world Thy holy light

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HIS LOVE IS MY RESTING PLACE (PSALM 23)

Verse 1

The Lord is my guide and friend
I rest well when I'm with him
No hunger or thirst or anxious need
When my Lord is here with me

Chorus

His love is my resting place
My Shepherd is kind and full of grace
The arms of my Lord are strong and safe
His love is my resting place

Verse 2

The shadow of death may fall
With darkness upon my way
But always my Lord is near to me
His love is my resting place

Verse 3

Your goodness will be my feast
Your kindness will overflow
And always your love will follow me
And your house will be my home

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PSALM 62

Verse 1

My soul finds rest in God alone
My rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes
And I will not be shaken
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse
And lies like arrows pierce me
I'll fix my heart on righteousness
I'll look to Him who hears me

Verse 2

Find rest my soul in God alone
Amid the world's temptations
When evil seeks to take a hold
I'll cling to my salvation
Though riches come and riches go
Don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow
Are harvested in heaven

Chorus

O praise Him hallelujah
My Delight and my Reward
Everlasting never failing
My Redeemer my God

Verse 3

I'll set my gaze on God alone
And trust in Him completely
With ev'ry day pour out my soul
And He will prove His mercy
Though life is but a fleeting breath
A sigh too deep to measure
My King has crushed the curse of death
And I am His forever

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THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Priest: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

People: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are blessed by your participation with us. If you would like to be contacted by one of our clergy or added to our weekly email communication, please enter your information [using this link](#). Thank you!

EASTER *Creativity*

from CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

We are spreading an Easter Feast for one another by offering our creative gifts to encourage, inspire and celebrate. Adults, youth and children are all invited to submit artwork of all kinds - poetry, painting or photography; music, memoir or drawing. "Growing" is our word this week and submissions are due end-of-day on May 17th.

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE YOUR SUBMISSIONS](#)

[ENJOY LAST WEEK'S SUBMISSIONS HERE](#)

UPCOMING WEDDING



Patrick Homan and Bethany Jensen intend to be married on Saturday, June 6 and I invite your prayers on their behalf. If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it. This is the second time of asking. - Fr. Paul

Almighty God, we thank you for the love of Patrick and Bethany, and we ask your blessing upon them and their families during this time of preparation. Open their minds and hearts to one another, enable them faithfully to receive your Word and Sacrament, and help us to support them, that they may rightly prepare for their marriage. And, we pray, give us wisdom to uphold and encourage all who have been united in Holy Matrimony; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CELEBRATING EASTER WITH GENEROSITY

Throughout the Easter season, Church of the Redeemer is giving \$1000 each week to organizations that provide relief to those affected by the current crisis. Additional resources are also available for the needs of individuals and families in and outside our church. Please contact Fr. Paul, Deacon Liz, or Deacon Dawn if you are in need or are aware of someone who has immediate needs for food, transportation, housing, or healthcare. The recipients for the fifth week of Easter is [Compassion International](#) whose mission is to “release children from poverty in Jesus’ name.”

HOLY COMMUNION ON SUNDAY, MAY 17



The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Holy Communion is a sacrament of unity: Christ’s offering of his life to us in the elements of bread and wine and a manifestation of the unity of the body of Christ as God’s people rightly receive him. For those physically separated from fellow believers, reserved sacrament from a prior celebration of Holy Communion is a visible sign of the invisible grace that Christ is with them and—in unity with Christ—their church is with them as well.

Reserved sacrament of bread will be distributed from outside the church on Saturday, May 16, 9:30–10:30 a.m. We will receive together during online worship on Sunday, May 17, 4:30 p.m. Just as you reverently receive the bread into our hands in gathered worship, please keep the reserved sacrament in a special vessel or secure place in your home until we are able to “take, and eat” together the following day. Please [contact Fr. Paul](#) with questions.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Join us in worship by dial-in or via internet with audio and video. Each time of worship follows a brief order of service lasting approximately 30 minutes with a unique emphasis. Login information and a downloadable orders of service will be available at:

<https://ofthedeemer.org/events>

Sunday, 4:30 p.m.,

[Emphasis: God's Word for us.](#)

Friday, Noon,

[Emphasis: Testimony.](#)

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.,

[Emphasis: Prayer.](#)

Women's Bible Studies on the Gospel of John

- Monday night - resumes April 20 via Zoom from 7:30-9:00pm. All women are invited - it is not too late to join us! Please contact [Barbara Leafblad](#) or [Barbie Anderson](#) for materials and Zoom info.
- Thursday morning - resumes April 16th in Chapter 14 of the Gospel of John via Zoom from 9:30-10:30. All women are welcome. Please contact [Cindy Calvin](#) at for further information.

PASTORAL CARE & BENEVOLENCE

A care team has been established to help maintain connections and encouragement within the church body, and to support one another in mission to neighbors, friends, and family. Please contact [Fr. Paul](#), [Deacon Liz](#), or [Deacon Dawn](#) if you are in need or are aware of someone who has immediate needs for food, transportation, housing, or healthcare.

DAILY DEVOTIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

- For individual and household worship, [Family Prayer](#) (p.67), or [Morning & Evening Prayer](#) (p.11, 41) in [The Book of Common Prayer – 2019](#) are rich devotional resources that help to order our time and shape our posture in worship to God.

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