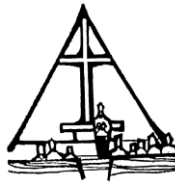


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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 8, 2016

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book – Holy Communion Setting Three

We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you, children's Bibles and large print lessons are available from the ushers. Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

Bold Print – indicates congregation responds as a whole

* – indicates congregation should stand as able

PRELUDE

I Love to Tell the Story

Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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*OPENING HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ELW # 834

*GREETING

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*KYRIE

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*HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

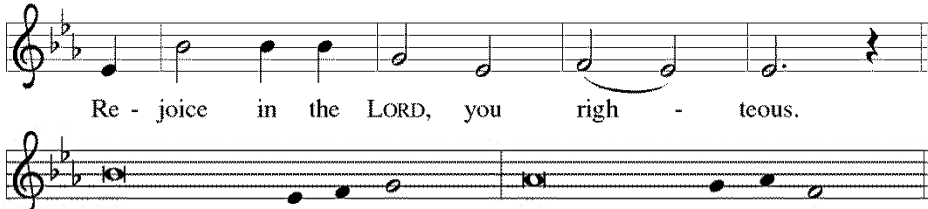
FIRST LESSON Acts 16:16-34

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PSALM – Psalm 97

Cantor sings refrain (R). The congregation then repeats the refrain.

*Congregation responds with the **bold verses**.*



The LORD reigns; let the | earth rejoice;

let the multitude of the | isles be glad.

**²Clouds and darkness sur- | round the LORD,
righteousness and justice are the foundations | of God's throne.**

**³Fire goes be- | fore the LORD,
burning up enemies on | every side.**

**⁴Lightnings light | up the world;
the earth | sees and trembles.**

**⁵The mountains | melt like wax
before the Lord of | all the earth.**

**⁶The heavens declare your righteous- | ness, O LORD,
and all the peoples | see your glory. R**

**⁷Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight | in false gods!
Bow down before the LORD, | all you gods.**

**⁸Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah rejoice,
because of your judg- | ments, O LORD.**

**⁹For you are the LORD, most high over | all the earth;
you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.**

**¹⁰You who love the | LORD, hate evil!
God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand | of the wicked.**

**¹¹Light dawns | for the righteous,
and joy for the hon- | est of heart.**

**¹²Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous,
and give thanks to God's | holy name. R**

SECOND LESSON Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Alleluia*

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***GOSPEL**

* (P) The Holy Gospel according to John 17:20-26

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*** (C) Glory to you, O Lord.**

* (P) The Gospel of our Lord.

*** (C) Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY	<i>We All Are One in Mission</i>	ELW # 576
*NICENE CREED		p. 126 (blue tab)
*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD		
OFFERING	<i>My Jesus, I Love Thee</i>	Lenny Seidel
*OFFERTORY RESPONSE	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow</i>	ELW # 885
*OFFERING PRAYER		
<p>Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.</p>		
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION		
*THE LORD'S PRAYER		p. 145
DISTRIBUTION		
<p>To make the distribution of the Lord's Supper as easy as possible, we ask that people who wish to commune and who use a wheelchair or walker come to the front first to receive the Sacrament.</p>		
LAMB OF GOD		p. 146
	<i>I Come with Joy</i>	ELW # 482
	<i>Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee</i>	ELW # 836
	<i>Lord of All Hopefulness</i>	ELW # 765
	<i>Beautiful Savior</i>	ELW # 838
*POST COMMUNION PRAYER		
*BENEDICTION		p. 146
*CLOSING HYMN	<i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>	ELW # 661
*DISMISSAL		p. 146
*POSTLUDE	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	arr. by Victor Labenske

To Our Guests and Visitors Today: Every baptized believer who is of age is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship. The invitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he is the host of the meal. We also believe that he is the meal; that is that "in, with, and under" the bread and wine we do receive the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Please follow the directions of the ushers if you wish to commune. Children under the age of ten are invited to receive a Word of blessing. ***Worshippers unable to commune at the front of the church...Please register with an usher and a lay minister will bring the Supper to you in your pew.***

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

Today, May 8	9:30am Worship Service – <i>Happy Mother’s Day!</i> 3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb 7:00pm 7 th Day Adventist
Monday, May 9	7:00pm 7 th Day Adventist
Tuesday, May 10.....	6:00pm Board of Stewardship Meeting 6:30pm New Member Milestone Class 7:30pm Roca de Horeb
Wednesday, May 11.....	6:30pm Confirmation Class 7:00pm 7 th Day Adventist
Thursday, May 12	8:30am Garden Club – Cross Lutheran Rain Gardens 10:30am Bible Study at The Shores of Lake Phalen 3:00pm Worship Service at Bel Rae of Mounds View 5:30pm Serve at the Family Service Center 6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen 7:00pm 7 th Day Adventist
Friday, May 13.....	6:00pm – 9:30pm Roca de Horeb
Saturday, May 14	6:00am – 4:00pm Roca de Horeb - Upstairs Classroom 9:30am – 12:30pm 7 th Day Adventists 5:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb
Sunday, May 15	9:30am Worship Service 3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don’t pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.



Table Prayer (To the tune of O God, Our Help in Ages Past)

Dear God, we thank You for this food, through which we see Your care. Help us to grow more kind and good, our blessings gladly share. Amen.

Stewardship Verse
II Corinthians 9:6-7



The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren’t taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex. Thank you!

