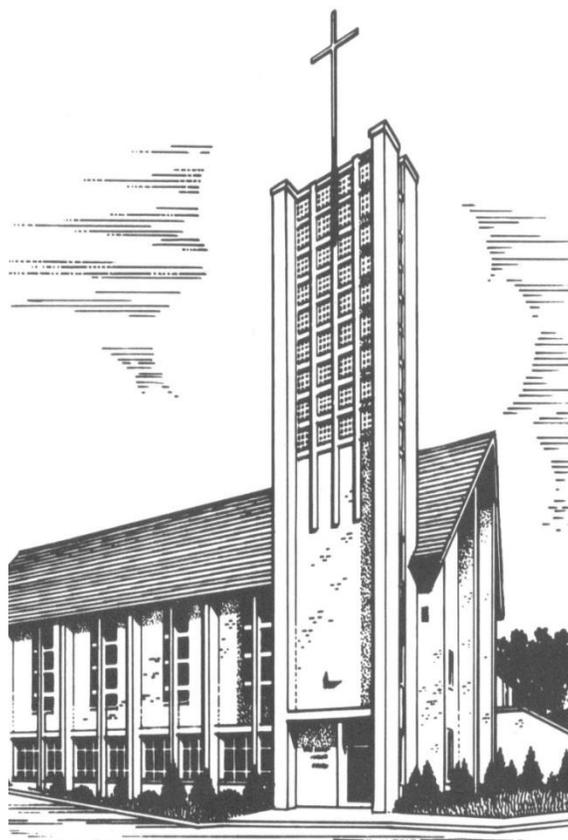


# THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## **PRESERVICE SONGS**

Only in God (John Michael Talbot)

How Deep the Father's Love (Townend)

## **WELCOME**

*(Stand)*

## **HYMN OF INVOCATION**

“No Other Name”

BOTB 170

No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
No other name, but the name of the Lord;  
No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
Is worthy of glory, and worthy of honor,  
And worthy of power and all praise.

No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
No other name, but the name of the Lord;  
No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
Is worthy of glory, and worthy of honor,  
And worthy of power and all praise.

His name is exalted, far above the earth,  
His name is high above the heavens:  
His name is exalted, far above the earth,  
Give glory and honor and praises to His name.

No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
No other name, but the name of the Lord;  
No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
Is worthy of glory, and worthy of honor,  
And worthy of power and all praise.

No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
No other name, but the name of the Lord;  
No other name, but the name of Jesus,  
Is worthy of glory, and worthy of honor,  
And worthy of power and all praise.

## INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES

- P** Come! Enter in!  
**C** Let us gather around God and His Word.  
**P** Come, join together!  
**C** Let us unite around what our God has told us.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *(Kneel)*      *Romans 3:10; Philipians 2:6*

- P** And what has our God told us?  
**C** There is none righteous, no, not one. We have all together become corrupt. There is none who seeks God; no, not one.  
**P** We have become united in our total depravity.  
**C** We are sinful from birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us.  
**P** Our sins have separated us from God. In that separation, so often we have united around things that are sinful.  
**C** O Lord, have mercy on me and forgive me.

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”      BOTB 168 (verse 1)

My Jesus, I love Thee; I know Thou art mine. For Thee all the follies of sin I resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

*(Silence for personal confession)*

- P** God never desired that we be separated from Him. We could never go to Him, so He came to us. Jesus didn't consider equality with His Father a thing to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking on human nature. He lived the life we never have, earning that uniting with His Father.  
And when He died, God made Him who had no sin to become sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.  
God has united us with Him. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Alleluia! Immanuel! God is with us! He has brought us to His side!

(Stand)

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

BOTB 168 (verse 2)

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on  
Calvary’s tree. I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow; If ever I loved  
Thee, my Jesus, ‘tis now.

## INTROIT

**P** God has gone up with a shout,

**C** the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**P** The LORD says to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand,

**C** until I make your enemies your footstool.”

**P** The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind,

**C** “You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.”

**P** The Lord is at your right hand;

**C** he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P** God has gone up with a shout,

**C** the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

KYRIE

“Change My Heart, O God”

BOTB 33

Change my heart, oh God. Make it ever true.

Change my heart, oh God. May I be like You.

You are the potter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me, This is what I pray.

Change my heart, oh God. Make it ever true.

Change my heart, oh God. May I be like You. *(Repeat from Beginning)*

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Spirit Song”

BOTB 202

O let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love,

Let Him fill your life and satisfy your soul.

O let Him have the things that hold you, and His Spirit, like a dove,

Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

**REFRAIN:** Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy.

Life your hands in sweet surrender to His name.

O give Him all your tears and sadness, give Him all your years of pain, And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. **REFRAIN**

## **SALUTATION**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*(Sit)*

## **FIRST READING**

*Acts 1:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.<sup>4</sup>And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup>He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” <sup>9</sup>And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup>and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **EPISTLE**

*Ephesians 1:15–23*

<sup>15</sup>For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup>having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup>that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup>And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*(Stand)*

## **VERSE**

*Romans 6:9; John 14:18*

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 24:44–53*

<sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on

high.”<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, <sup>53</sup>and were continually in the temple blessing God.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **SERMON HYMN**

“All Heaven Declares”

BOTB 5

All heaven declares The glory of the risen Lord  
Who can compare with The beauty of the Lord  
Forever He will be The Lamb upon the throne  
I gladly bow the knee And worship Him alone

I will proclaim The glory of the risen Lord  
Who once was slain To reconcile man to God  
Forever You will be The Lamb upon the throne  
I gladly bow the knee And worship You alone

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## **SERMON**

“Ascension” (based on the Gospel reading)

(Stand)

## **CREED HYMN**

“In God We Believe”

[AGPS 136]

In God we believe: the Creator whose pow’r  
In mercy has brought us for worship this hour.  
He graciously grants us our years and our days  
And blesses with kindness our work and our ways.

In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secured.  
True God and true man once the cross He endured  
To grant our lives wholeness, forgiveness of sin.  
With hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace within.

God’s Spirit at work in our lives we confess;

With power and truth the Church now He does bless.  
As saints, God's forgiven, one day we shall then  
Be living in glory forever. Amen.

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*(Sit)*

## OFFERING

*(Please record your attendance on the attendance register at the end of each pew  
and pass the register down the pew so all may record their attendance.)*

*(Stand)*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER

### BENEDICTION

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, which unites us with God the Father,  
and the love of God, which unites us with Christ, and the fellowship of the  
Holy Spirit, which unites us with one another, keep you until the day of  
everlasting life.

**G** Amen.

## HYMN TO DEPART

“Beautiful Savior”

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Those serving in worship today:

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor James Hageman

Altar Guild: 8:00 a.m. Kathy Affolter; 10:45 a.m. Stephanie Hageman;

6:30 p.m. Elaine Fortner

Attendance:

5/01/16	8:00 a.m.	56
	10:45 a.m.	111
5/01/16	6:30 p.m.	14

*Altar flowers this morning are in loving memory of Carol Love,  
by Eleanor Hecht and Karen Weissflug*