

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH REGINA, SK

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May 2, 2021 - 9:30 am

As We Gather: The images Jesus uses as He proclaims the kingdom of God often come from the world of agriculture. His parables are filled with plants and trees and birds and animals. Grapes, grapevines, and vineyards are all used as illustrations by Jesus as He teaches the people who are His first hearers and us also. As people who have been grafted as branches into Christ the Vine through Holy Baptism, we seek ways to strengthen that connection as the Holy Spirit works in and through us. We now nourish our faith as branches in Christ's vineyard as we grow in Him by Word and Sacrament.

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

John 15:5

Hymn LSB #477 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

Invocation

Opening Sentences

Confession and Absolution

Hymn LSB #613 "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All" st. 1

Confession and Absolution conclusion

Psalm *Psalm 150* (*Spoken in unison*)

Hymn LSB #944 "Kyrie — II" *sts. 1e–3e*

Hymn of Praise LSB #595 "O Blessed Spring"

Prayer of the Day Easter 5

First Reading Acts 8:26–40 (Philip witnesses about Jesus to the Ethiopian official.)

Gradual

Epistle 1 John 4:1–11 (An exhortation to lives of Christian love.)

Hymn LSBuilder #980 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

Holy Gospel *John 15:1–8* (*Jesus says that He is the vine and His people are the branches.*)

Hymn of the Day LSB #474 "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"

Sermon "Is Love God?" *Text: The Epistle Reading*

Nicene Creed

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn LSB #921 "On What Has Now Been Sown"

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