

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

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**AS WE GATHER**

The Easter season finds its culmination in the high priestly prayer of Jesus. With this we are reminded that the Lord is praying for us, for our faith, and for our unity in the faith, so that we may fulfill His purpose in making known all that He has done. It should be of great comfort to us that on the night of His betrayal, our Lord does not pray for Himself but for His disciples and those who will believe through their witness. As we confront the mission of the church to be His witnesses still, He does not relent praying for us still. United in faith and living together our common life under His Word and at His Table, we are strengthened in unity and in mission.

**Opening Hymn: LSB #651 “I Love Your Kingdom, Lord”**

**Opening Versicles**

**Old Testament Canticale**

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**Readings From Holy Scripture**

**First Reading**

*Acts 1:12–26*

**Psalm Reading**

*Psalm 1*

**Epistle Reading**

*1 John 5:9–15*

**Holy Gospel Reading**

*John 17:11b–19*

**Responsory (Common)**

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**Ten Commandments**

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**Apostles’ Creed**

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**Lord’s Prayer**

**Children’s Message/Sunday School Dismissal**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day: LSB #539 “Christ Is the World’s Redeemer**

**Offering**

**Prayer**

**Collect of the Day**

**Collect for the Word**

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**Morning Prayer**

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**New Testament Canticale**

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**Blessing**

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**Closing Hymn: LSB #542 “When I Behold Jesus Christ”**

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[Jesus said:]  
“Holy Father,  
keep them in  
Your name, which  
You have given  
Me, that they  
may be one, even  
as We are one.”  
*John 17:11b*