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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Prelude

Welcome

Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #469, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Invocation and Opening Verse

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

Confession

P: Let us confess our sin to God, our merciful Father. (Silence for reflection)

P: O Almighty God,

C: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: we admit and confess our sinfulness. We have turned away from each other in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins. Have mercy on us, kind Father, because of the obedience of our Brother, Jesus Christ, Your Son. Forgive us all that is past, and with the power of the Holy Spirit move us to

serve You faithfully. Set our feet upon the new path of life, and build Your kingdom through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

P: God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who repent and turn to Him for mercy. May He keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsivelyworship insert

Hymn of Praise: #816, "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

First Reading: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual of the Season, prayed responsively worship insert

Children's Message: "The Story of a Hen " Proverbs 31:28

Hymn for Mother's Day: #862, "Oh, Blest the House"

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10 P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia #952

Holy Gospel: John 14:1-14

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

The Apostles' Creedback cover of the hymnal Hymn of the Day: #526, "You Are the Way; Through You Alone"

Sermon: "The Pain of "Goodbye" - The Hope of Grace and Reunion"

Offering

Stewardship Hymn: #781, "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayerback cover of the hymnal Blessing

Closing Hymn: #533, "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"

Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude

QUILTS FOR GRADUATES

The ladies of the quilting project have again made special quilts for our high school graduates. This year we honor Ben Domagala, Emily Duden, and Alicia Hoffman. Quilts will be distributed directly following the service on May 28th. Please note: that weekend we change over to the summer schedule. Worship will be held at 9:30 AM.

ASCENSION SERVICE

The Ascension of our Lord is the most neglected of all the major festivals of the church. A special service will be held on the Day of Ascension, Thursday, May 25th at 7:00 PM. Holy Communion will be served as we reflect on how the ascended Lord is still powerfully with us for our spiritual welfare and growth.