

## **MEAL**

We are fed with the presence of Jesus Christ.

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Give thanks to the Lord your God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

LAMB OF GOD

### **COMMUNION/PRAYERS**

Please take an empty cup when you come forward for communion. We have gluten free wafers—let your server know of this need. There is both wine and grape juice. You may lift up your prayers after communion by lighting a candle.

*Music is played during communion*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

THE BLESSING SONG

**The Lord bless you, and keep you**

**Make his face shine upon you**

**Be gracious to you**

**The Lord turn his face toward you**

**And give you peace.**

**Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.**

Go now in peace to Love and Serve Our Risen Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



**Join us after worship for our Coffee Fellowship!**

Sunday, May 10th ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter



### INTRODUCTION

Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

OPENING SONG: Lord, I Lift Your Name On High #857 sing 2X's

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

**C: Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

**C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

**C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

**C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

1st Reading: Acts 17:22-31

**C: Open our ears to hear your word.**

Psalms 66:8-20 (please read bolded words)

L: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

**C: Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

L: For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

**C: You brought us into the net; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

L: You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

**C: I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows—**

L: those that I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

**C: I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats.**

L: Come and listen, all you who believe, and I will tell you what God has done for me.

**C: I called out to God with my mouth, and praised the Lord with my tongue.**

L: If I had cherished evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me;

**C: but in truth God has heard me and has attended to the sound of my prayer.**

L: Bless be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld unfailing love from me.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22

**C: Open our ears to hear your word.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah #172

GOSPEL: John 14:15-21

The Holy Gospel according to John in the 14th chapter

**C: Glory to You, O LORD!**

L: This is the gospel of Our Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ!**

MESSAGE

SONG : Children of the Heavenly Father #781 Vs.1-4

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please respond to Merciful God, with **Receive our prayer.**