

**ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
DRIVE-IN PARKING LOT WORSHIP  
May 17, 2020 8:15 AM**

**WELCOME**

**INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES**

**Pastor:** We gather in the name of the one true God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

**Pastor:** Come and worship! The Lord is near!

**People:** The Lord is good!

**Pastor:** Yes, He is good! He pours out His mercies and blessings on us every day.

**People:** He did not leave us as orphans to walk this life alone.

**Pastor:** The Father and the Son have sent us the Holy Spirit to be with us forever.

**People:** The Spirit of Truth guides us and helps us to love our Lord by obeying His commands.

**Pastor:** Holy Spirit, You are welcome here!

**People:** Come flood this place with your presence and fill the atmosphere with the glory of Your goodness!

**OPENING SONG "Holy Spirit"**

There's nothing worth more That could ever come close  
Nothing can compare You're our living hope  
Your presence, Lord I've tasted and seen  
Of the sweetest of loves Where my heart becomes free  
And my shame is undone Your presence, Lord

**Chorus:** Holy Spirit, You are welcome here  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for  
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord  
Your presence, Lord

There's nothing worth more That could ever come close  
No thing can compare You're our living hope  
Your presence, Lord I've tasted and seen  
Of the sweetest of loves Where my heart becomes free  
And my shame is undone Your presence, Lord **Chorus**

**Let us become more aware of Your presence  
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (4X)**

**Holy Spirit, You are welcome here  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for  
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord  
Your presence, Lord**

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### **PSALM (66:8-12, 16-20) OF PRAISE**

**Pastor:** Praise our God, O peoples! Let the sound of his praise be heard for he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

**People:** **For you, O God, tested us. You refined us like silver. You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs. We went through fire and water but you brought us to a place of abundance.**

**Pastor:** Come and listen, all you who fear God. Let me tell you what he has done for me. I cried out to him for help, praising him as I spoke. If I had not confessed the sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But God has surely listened and heard my voice in prayer.

**People:** **Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his unfailing love from me!**

### **GOSPEL LESSON John 14:15-21**

15 "If you love me, you will keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

### **SONG "Spirit of the Living God"**

**Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.**

**Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.**

**Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.**

**Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me.**

**Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.**

**Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.  
Holy presence love divine, cast out my fear.  
Shield me, free me, call me, lead me.  
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear  
And fall fresh on me.**

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**SERMON** “The Invisible Advocate – Jesus in Me!” John 14:15-21

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH and LORD’S PRAYER**

## **PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

**Pastor:** Heavenly Father, Jesus our Lord has said, “If you love Me, you will keep my commandments.” We admit that we have not kept all of his commands.

**People: Forgive us, Father. We do not love our Savior as we should and we often ignore his Word and will for us.**

**Pastor:** Father, Jesus has said, “and I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, the Spirit of Truth. The Holy Spirit lives in us but we do not always walk in the Spirit but instead grieve the Spirit and ignore leading.

**People: Forgive us, Father. The world does not have your Spirit but we often follow the ways of the world rather than the leading of the Holy Spirit in us.**

**Pastor:** We acknowledge that we have fallen short. The Spirit convicts us of our sins and leads us to the cross. There we discover grace that goes beyond our ability to understand. The sinless Son of God, Jesus Christ, died and rose again that we might be forgiven and filled with God’s Spirit. Brothers and sisters, because of your confession of sins and your faith in Christ, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Thanks be to God! Because Jesus lives, we live also filled with righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**Pastor:** Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.... Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise them up at the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me.” (John 6:51, 54-57)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed.....

## **BLESSING**

**CLOSING SONG** "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" #821 (vs 1,2)

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone,  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
Thunder like a mighty flood:  
"Jesus out of every nation  
He has redeemed us by His blood."**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! He is near us; Faith believes, nor questions how. Though the cloud from sight  
received Him  
When the forty days were over,  
Shall our hearts forget his promise?  
"I am with you evermore!"  
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