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The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love** and Forgiveness.***




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Hymn: *Blest Be the God of Israel*..... CW # 275




1 Blest be the God of Is - ra - el, Who comes to set us free;
2 He from the house of Da - vid A child of grace has giv'n;
3 On pris - on - ers of dark - ness The sun be - gins to rise,




He vis - its and re - deems us; He grants us lib - er - ty.
A Sav - ior comes a - mong us To raise us up to heav'n.
The dawn - ing of for - give - ness Up - on the sin - ner's eyes.



The proph - ets spoke of mer - cy, Of free - dom and re - lease;
Be - fore him goes his her - ald, Fore - run - ner in the way,
He guides the feet of pil - grims A - long the paths of peace.



God shall ful - fill his prom - ise And bring his peo - ple peace.
The proph - et of sal - va - tion, The har - bin - ger of day.
Oh, bless our God and Sav - ior With songs that nev - er cease!





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Confession and Absolution

L: *(rise)* The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: AMEN

Prayer and Praise

L: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayers, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

L: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our pray, O Christ.

C: Christ have mercy

L: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

L: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L: O Lord, you work righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. Move the hearts of all people so that the barriers which unjustly divide us may crumble, suspicions may disappear, and hatreds may cease. Heal our divisions so we might live in peace, through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen. *(seated)*

First Lesson:

Isaiah 42:6-8

⁶ "I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, ⁷ to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. ⁸ "I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols.
(The Word of our God)

Refrain **Psalm: # 31**



Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and
not be a - fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my
sure de-fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

Psalm tone



In you, O LORD, I have taken refuge;*
deliver me in your righteousness.

Be my rock of refuge,*
a strong fortress to save me.

Into your hands I commit my spirit;*
redeem me, O LORD, the God of truth.

Refrain

My times are in your hands;*
save me in your unfailing love.

How great is your goodness,*
which you have stored up for those who fear you.

You heard my cry for mercy*
when I called to you for help.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

2nd Lesson:

Romans 5:12, 15–17

¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned—...

¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

¹⁶ Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.

¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.
(Word of the Lord)

Hymn: *O Fount of Good, for All Your Love*..... **CW # 524 Stz 1–4**

1 O Fount of good, for all your love Our true thanks should be paid.
2 But you have need - y broth - ers here, Par - tak - ers of your grace,
3 In their sad ac - cents of dis - tress Your plead - ing voice is heard;
4 Then help us, Lord, your yoke to wear And glad - ly do your will,

What can we ren - der, Lord, to you, When you own all that's made?
Whose names you will your - self con - fess Be - fore the Fa - ther's face.
You may in them be clothed and fed And vis - it - ed and cheered.
Each oth - er's dai - ly bur - dens share, The law of love ful - fill.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the next four lines. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is in 4/4 time and G major. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system also ends with a double bar line.

Gospel: *(rise)*

John 8:31–36

L: ³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³ They answered him,


C: “**We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?**”

L: ³⁴ Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵ Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: ***Praise be to you, O Christ!*** *(seated)*


Hymn: *If God Himself Be For Me* **CW # 419 Stz 1–4**




1 If God him - self be for me, I may a host de - fy;
2 This I be - lieve, yea rath - er, Of this I make my boast,
3 I build on this foun - da - tion: That Je - sus and his blood
4 He can - celed my of - fen - ses, De - liv - ered me from death;



For when I pray, be - fore me My foes, con - found - ed, fly.
That God is my dear Fa - ther, My friend who loves me most,
A - lone are my sal - va - tion, My true, e - ter - nal good.
He is the Lord who clean - ses My soul from sin through faith.



If Christ, my head and mas - ter, Be - friend me from a - bove,
And that, what - e'er be - tide me, My Sav - ior is at hand
With - out him all that pleas - es Is val - ue - less on earth;
In him I can be cheer - ful, Cou - ra - geous on my way;



What foe or what dis - as - ter Can drive me from his love?
Through storm - y seas to guide me And bring me safe to land.
The gifts I have from Je - sus A - lone have price - less worth.
In him I am not fear - ful Of God's great Judg - ment Day.

We Are Free In Christ

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Apostles' Creed: *(Rise) (together we confess)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

***the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen***

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Lord of the nations, look in mercy on our nation as we struggle with discord and civil unrest. Frustrate the plans of those who would stir up violence and strife, and bless the efforts of all who promote harmony and peace. Give to our leaders and all in authority a special measure of wisdom and patience as they carry out their tasks so that justice may prevail throughout our land. Empower us, as your people, to reflect your love in all we say and do. This we ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.

Amen!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

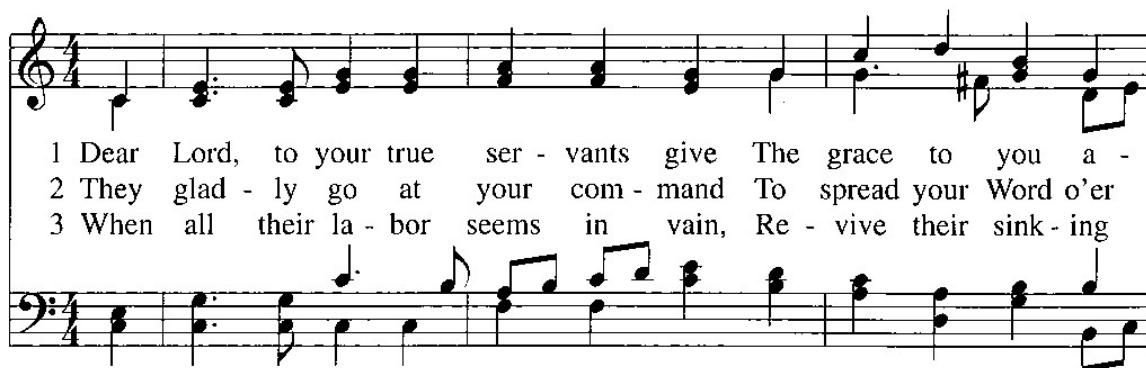
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

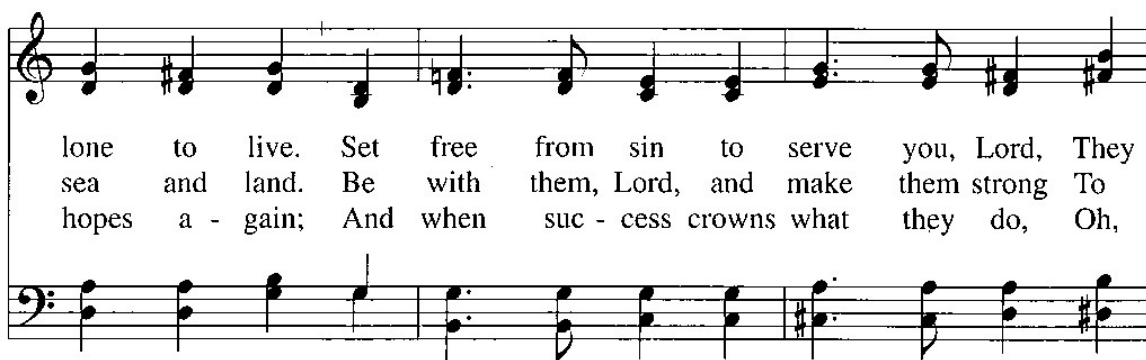
C: Amen

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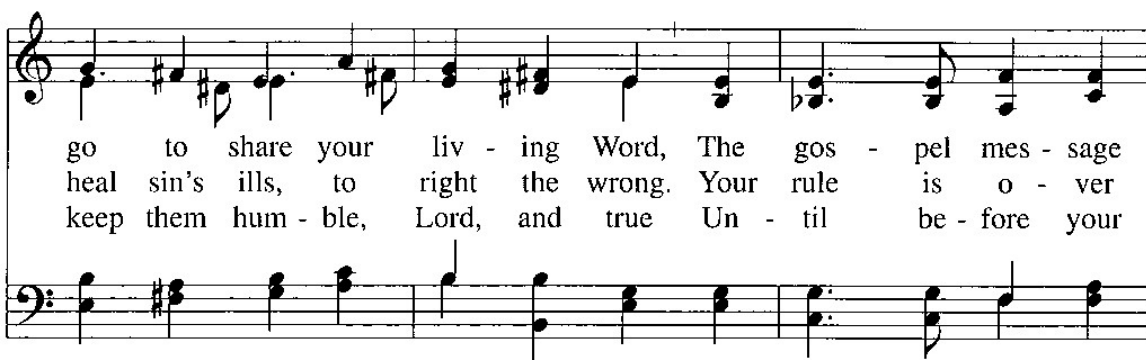
Hymn: Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give CW # 542



1 Dear Lord, to your true ser - vants give The grace to you a -
 2 They glad - ly go at your com - mand To spread your Word o'er
 3 When all their la - bor seems in vain, Re - vive their sink - ing



lone to live. Set free from sin to serve you, Lord, They
 sea and land. Be with them, Lord, and make them strong To
 hopes a - gain; And when suc - cess crowns what they do, Oh,



go to share your liv - ing Word, The gos - pel mes - sage
 heal sin's ills, to right the wrong. Your rule is o - ver
 keep them hum - ble, Lord, and true Un - til be - fore your



to pro - claim That all may know your sav - ing name.
 wind and wave, And might - y is your arm to save.
 judg - ment seat They lay their tro - phies at your feet.



May the Lord, who set us FREE, allow us to enjoy the blessings as citizens of the USA.

