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The Seventh Sunday of Easter

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WELCOME

Welcome to Saint James! If this is your first time worshiping with Saint James, we extend a special greeting to you and invite you to introduce yourself to your neighbor in the pew and to the pastor. Saint James practices an open table for Holy Communion. This means that everyone, regardless of background or tradition, is invited to share in the sacrament.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

WORSHIP LEADERS

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Marilyn Biery
Larry Sabol
Arnold Brammeier
Marcia & Mark Wilson
Tracey Simpson
George Watson

Presider
Minister of Music
Assisting Minister
Lector
Ushers
Altar Guild
Livestream

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Come Away to the Skies James Biery

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism,
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,
and we are a new creation.

For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,
who was, who is, and who is to come.

Water is poured into the font.

We thank you, God, for your river of life,
flowing freely from your throne:
through the earth,
through the city,
through every living thing.
You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;
You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.
Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,
and our sin is drowned forever.
You open the gate of righteousness
and we pass safely through.
In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.
You nourish us and enclose us in safety.
You call us forth and send us out.
In lush and barren places, you are with us.
You have become our salvation.
Now breathe upon this water
and awaken your church once more.
Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.

Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts;
wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End,
our Shepherd and Lamb,
be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,
now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN *Crown Him with Many Crowns* **ELW 855:1-3**

INVOCATION

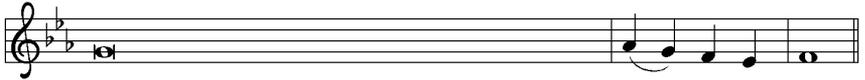
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



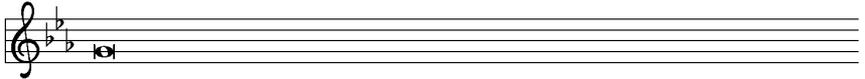
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



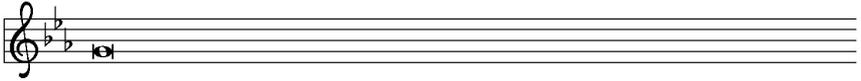
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless-ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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WORD

FIRST LESSON

Acts 16:16-34

Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 97

**The Lord is King; let earth rejoice,
And islands all praise him alone;
Darkness and clouds surround the Lord,
Justice and right uphold his throne.**

**A fire precedes him and burns up
His enemies both far and near;
His lightnings light up all the world,
Earth sees it and draws back in fear.**

**Light has sprung up for all the just,
And joy for those whose hearts are true;
Rejoice, then, in the Lord and give
Thanks to his Name as is his due.**

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

The ascended Christ, hidden from our sight, promises to come again. We eagerly pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," with all who respond to this invitation.

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "I Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight! Refrain Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise. Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!"

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Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
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Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Music: David N. Johnson, 1922–1987
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HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:20-26

Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

ACCLAMATION Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! ELW 377:5

**City of God, Easter forever,
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and archangels,
sing with creation to God the I AM!
Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

HOMILY

HYMN *Son of God, Eternal Savior* ELW 655

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of
heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true
God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the
Father; through him all things were made. For us and
for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human. For our sake he was
crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and
was buried. On the third day he rose again in
accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into
heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with
the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who
has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic**

church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

INTERCESSIONS

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

TABLE SETTING **Now the Green Blade Rises** ELW 379:1,3

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: '1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,'. The second staff continues: 'wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;'. The third staff continues: 'love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;'. The fourth staff concludes: 'love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.' The music ends with a double bar line.

**Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.**

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MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

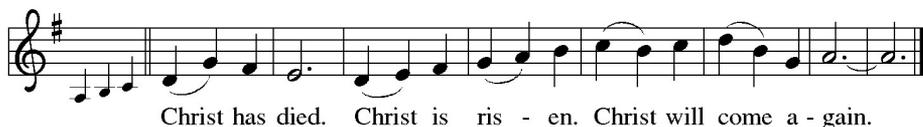
SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age...

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gift of wine, that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ...

We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever,



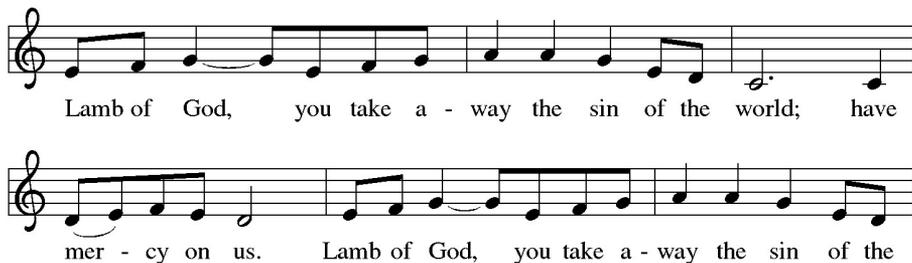
LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Alleluia! The Lord has truly risen,
and meets us in this holy meal.

Let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia!

LAMB OF GOD



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
 way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

Saint James practices an open table for Holy Communion, which means that all people are invited to participate in the sacrament. Jesus is the host of the meal and extends a wide welcome. — Distribution: Come forward via the central aisle. Receive the host (bread/Jesus' body) in the hand; the wine (Jesus' blood) is offered in individual cups: purple wine, white juice. Return to your place via the outside aisles.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies ELW 888

The Head That Once was Crowned with Thorns ELW 432

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN *Crown Him with Many Crowns* ELW 855:4-5

SENDING

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
Christ is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!
 Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Christ lag in Todesbanden (BWV 625)* J.S. Bach