

**INTROIT: (SPOKEN RESPONSIVELY)***Ps. 66:1–2, 8–9, 20; antiphon: Ps. 66:16*

Come and hear, all you who fear God,

**and I will tell what he has done for my soul.**

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

**sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

Bless our God, O peoples;

**let the sound of his praise be heard,**

who has kept our soul among the living

**and has not let our feet slip.**

Blessèd be God,

**because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love****from me!**

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.**

Come and hear, all you who fear God,

**and I will tell what he has done for my soul.****Kyrie (sung)**

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation

let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P 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.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

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

praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.****Gloria in Excelsis** LSB 154

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:****We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.****Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:****You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.****You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.****For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,****You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,****in the glory of God the Father. Amen.****Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.****FIRST READING: Acts 10:34–48 (NLT)****The Gentiles Hear the Good News**

34 Then Peter replied, "I see very clearly that God shows no favoritism.

35 In every nation he accepts those who fear him and do what is right.

36 This is the message of Good News for the people of Israel—that there is

peace with God through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. 37 You know what

happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee, after John began

preaching his message of baptism. 38 And you know that God anointed

Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went

around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for

God was with him.

39 "And we apostles are witnesses of all he did throughout Judea and in

Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a cross,[a] 40 but

God raised him to life on the third day. Then God allowed him to appear,

41 not to the general public,[b] but to us whom God had chosen in

advance to be his witnesses. We were those who ate and drank with him

after he rose from the dead. 42 And he ordered us to preach everywhere

and to testify that Jesus is the one appointed by God to be the judge of all

—the living and the dead. 43 He is the one all the prophets testified about,

saying that everyone who believes in him will have their sins forgiven

through his name."

**The Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit**

44 Even as Peter was saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who

were listening to the message. 45 The Jewish believers[c] who came with

Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on

the Gentiles, too. 46 For they heard them speaking in other tongues[d] and

praising God.

Then Peter asked, 47 "Can anyone object to their being baptized, now that

they have received the Holy Spirit just as we did?" 48 So he gave orders for

them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterward Cornelius

asked him to stay with them for several days.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.****EPISTLE READING: 1 JOHN 5:1–8 (NLT)****Faith in the Son of God**

5 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ[a] has become a child of

God. And everyone who loves the Father loves his children, too. 2 We

know we love God's children if we love God and obey his commandments.

3 Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome. 4 For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. 5 And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

6 And Jesus Christ was revealed as God's Son by his baptism in water and

by shedding his blood on the cross[b]—not by water only, but by water and

blood. And the Spirit, who is truth, confirms it with his testimony. 7 So we

have these three witnesses[c]— 8 the Spirit, the water, and the blood—and

all three agree.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.****Alleluia and Verse (Sung) p 156****Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?****You have the words of eternal life.****Alleluia, alleluia.****HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 15:9–17 (NLT)**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15th chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

9 "I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love.

10 When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I

obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. 11 I have told you

these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will

overflow! 12 This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I

have loved you. 13 There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for

one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no

longer call you slaves, because a master doesn't confide in his slaves. Now

you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me.

16 You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce

lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my

name. 17 This is my command: Love each other.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.****CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

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<b>HYMN</b>	<b>"Praise to You and Adoration"</b>	LSB #692 (1-2)
<b>SERMON</b>	<b>"Going Against the Grain"</b>	1 John 5:1-8
	Pastor Lane Reuter	

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LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN      *"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"*      LSB #477 (1-3)

POSTLUDE *Now the green blade rises*; Mark Sedio

MAY 9, 2021 - 8 AM WORSHIP

*"Going Against the Grain"*

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PRELUDE *Prelude on Brother James's Air*; Searle Wright

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HYMN      *"This Joyful Eastertide"*      LSB #482 (1-3)

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word  
and for self-examination.*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.