



# WEEKEND HOME WORSHIP AIDE

**MAY 16-17, 2020**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Prepare your space** | Turn off all electronics, light a candle, and sit in a comfortable chair

**Prepare your head:** Take a few moments to sit in silence, to allow your thought to calm and to focus yourself on God and being open to his word...

To help focus yourself spend a few moments meditating on this passage: "Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.." (Isaiah 48:20)

*NOTE: Above Artwork by James Tissot*

**Opening Hymn:** "Rain Down"

## **Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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.

## **Opening Prayer**

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**First Reading** | ACTS 8:5-8, 14-17

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them.

With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm** | PS 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20,

R. (1) **Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth,  
sing praise to the glory of his name;  
proclaim his glorious praise.

Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!"

R. **Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you,  
sing praise to your name!"

Come and see the works of God,  
his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

R. **Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

He has changed the sea into dry land;  
through the river they passed on foot;  
therefore let us rejoice in him.

He rules by his might forever.

R. **Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare  
what he has done for me.

Blessed be God who refused me not  
my prayer or his kindness!

R. **Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

**Second Reading** | 1 Peter 3:15-18

Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil.

For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.

The word the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel** | John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Reflection Questions**

1. What words/phrases or images strike you? Why?
2. What does it mean for us to live with the Spirit of Truth?
3. In what ways have we seen the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, at work in our lives?
4. Jesus brings victory in His Resurrection: What graces do you want to ask of Him this week?

## **Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I 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 adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Petitions** | Response: **Lord, hear our prayer**

1. For all God's people, that in meditating on Christ's Paschal Mystery, we may have an increase of hope, we pray to the Lord...
2. For those in positions of leadership throughout the world, give them wisdom and prudence and may they use their influence to effect positive change and promote the common good, especially in navigating the impact of this pandemic, we pray to the Lord...
3. For the whole world, that it may truly know the peace given by Christ, especially during these trying times, we pray to the Lord...
4. For all health care workers, and all public servants who care for us, that they may have a greater outpouring of perseverance, patience and trust, we pray to the Lord...
5. For all those who are feeling the economic impact of these trying times, especially those who have lost their jobs and their families, we pray to the Lord...
6. For all those who are sick in body and spirit, those on our prayer chain and those dealing with the Coronavirus, we pray to the Lord....
7. For all those who have died, especially in our own families, and for consolation to those who mourn, we pray to the Lord...

## Offertory: Hymn – “Isaiah 49”

### **Pray**

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### **Meditate**

What do you want to offer to the Lord?  
-What struggles in your own life?  
-A person you want to offer up in prayer?  
-Something I want to thank/praise God for

### **Giving**

Your financial support is very important to our parishes, even if we are not able to celebrate Mass as a faith community. The majority of our parishes’ expenses will still be incurred even though we do not have weekend Masses. You now have the option to make your gift online through a portal set up by the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

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### **Our Father...**

### **Communion Hymn: “We Have Been Told”**

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

### **Closing Prayer**

Almighty ever-living God,  
who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ,  
increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament  
and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Recessional Hymn: “Let There be Peace on Earth”**

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