

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B May 2, 2021
INVITATION AND GATHERING

WELCOME

CENTERING WORDS

In the midst of doubt and confusion, when we don't
know what to believe, Jesus comes with words of hope
and comfort: "Peace be with you."

***SCRIPTURE READING 1 Peter 3:3-9**

*** OPENING HYMN:**

75.....All People That on Earth Do Dwell (vs 1, 2 & 4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the name of the risen Christ, let us prepare to worship
God!

**People: In the name of the risen Christ, let us humble
ourselves before God's throne!**

Leader: For we are disciples of the Christ, called to serve the
coming reign of God!

**People: We are followers of Jesus, and long for his
presence and guidance always!**

*** Let us pray (Congregation):**

**O Eternal Provider, you have given us through the Christ a
mission to extend your reign throughout the world. Help us
always to seek and to trust his promised presence and guidance
in that task: that, under his leadership, we may become
successful fishers on the great sea of humanity. In Jesus' name
we pray. Amen**

*** LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

170.....O How I Love Jesus

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Congregation)**

**God of boundless compassion, it is unfortunately the case that we
like to rely solely upon our own devices in everything we do,
including carrying out ministry and missions on your behalf.
Forgive us our arrogant self-reliance, and teach us to seek the
continuing guidance of the risen and living Christ, and to follow
always his bidding and will as faithful disciples. In his name we
pray. Amen**

*** LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

171 There's Something About That Name

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In Christ, God has forgiven not only our sins,
but the sins of the whole world.
Rejoice in the light and peace of the Holy One.
Rejoice in the blessings of our God.

***SCRIPTURE READING: John 21:1-14**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD MADE FLESH: "After Easter, then what?"

*** RESPONSE TO THE WORD:**

#397..... I Need Thee Every Hour (vs 1, 3 & 5)

CONGREGATION IN PRAYER: Joys and Concerns

*** PRAYER HYMN: # 2200 O Lord, Hear My Prayer**

HOLY COMMUNION

*** CLOSING HYMN: # 98..... To God Be the Glory**

*** DISMISSAL BLESSING**

1st Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 3:3-9 (NKJV)

³ Do not let your adornment be *merely* outward—arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on *fine* apparel—⁴ rather *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the ^[a]incorruptible *beauty* of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God. ⁵ For in this manner, in former times, the holy women who trusted in God also adorned themselves, being submissive to their own husbands, ⁶ as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror.

⁷ Husbands, likewise, dwell with *them* with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as *being* heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.

⁸ Finally, all *of you be* of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, *be* tenderhearted, *be* ^[b]courteous; ⁹ not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing.

2nd Scripture Reading: John 21:1-14 (NKJV)

21 After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and in this way He showed *Himself*: ² Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the *sons* of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. ³ Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.”

They said to him, “We are going with you also.” They went out and ^[a]immediately got into the boat, and that night they caught nothing. ⁴ But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Then Jesus said to them, “Children, have you any food?”

They answered Him, “No.”

⁶ And He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find *some*.” So they cast, and now they were not able to draw it in because of the multitude of fish.

⁷ Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on *his* outer garment (for he had removed it), and plunged into the sea. ⁸ But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from land, but about two hundred cubits), dragging the net with fish. ⁹ Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish which you have just caught.”

¹¹ Simon Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not broken. ¹² Jesus said to them, “Come *and* eat breakfast.” Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him,

“Who are You?”—knowing that it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus then came and took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish.

¹⁴ This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.



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