

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

The First Reading

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

After the Reading, the Reader says The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God

Psalm

Psalm 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Second Reading

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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The Gospel Reading

John 17:6-19

Before proclaiming the Gospel, the Priest says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Announcements

Birthdays this month

1st: Samantha Rauch
 6th: Lily Nail
 7th: Jeff Hahne
 12th: Jane Barker
 12th: Joe McClellan
 18th: Danny Carroll
 19th: Rita Burke
 24th: Fred Brink
 25th: Charlotte Oberthier
 28th: Aaron Keith
 30th: Cord Cammack

Longview Community Ministries

They are the principal organization in Longview that helps people with all sorts of emergency services, including food. They have asked us to help by donating canned fruits and vegetables during this season when food bank donations are down, and the need for services has increased. We will have a basket in the Narthex for ongoing donations. Please donate if you are able.

Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd

Don't forget to wear **RED** for Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd.

Altar Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary, the flower dedication forms are in the entryway.

NEXT Sunday's Servers (05/23)

Cameras & Streaming: Danielle Martin
Danny's Team: Melinda Smith
Greeter: Susan Kuhlman
Lector: Amy Brown
Sound Board: Harrison Brown
Ushers: Frank Supercinski
Vestry People: Frank Supercinski, Susan Schug
Worship Tech: Laura Brown

This Sunday's Servers

Cameras & Streaming: Bryan White
Danny's Team: Frank Supercinski
Greeter: Catherine White
Lector: Becky Supercinski
Sound Board: Jonathan Roberts
Ushers: David Brown
Vestry People: Roxanne Brink, Susan Schug
Worship Tech: Laura Buckner

Prayer Requests

Healing For:

- Fred & Libby
- Cathy
- Aaron, Roni, & Tom
- Lorraine
- Pete & Margie

To submit a prayer request, fill out the back of the information sheet in the pew and place it in the offering.

Or, send an email with your request to: prayer@smaalongview.org

**** Emailed prayer requests are received by all who've signed up for the SMAA prayer chain. This community of prayer is committed to holding up our needs and thanksgivings to God whenever they are shared. TO JOIN IN THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY, JUST SEND A REQUEST TO SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG ASKING TO BE A PART OF THE PRAYER CHAIN. ****

Stewardship Update

| DATE | GIVING | BUDGET | ABOVE/BELOW |
|------------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 04/18/21 | \$1,570 | \$2,946 | -\$1,376 |
| 04/25/21 | \$2,330 | \$2,946 | -\$616 |
| 05/02/21 | \$1,011 | \$2,946 | -\$1,935 |
| 05/09/21 | \$767 | \$2,946 | -\$2,179 |
| YTD TOTALS | \$41,640 | \$55,983 | -\$14,342 |

Congratulations to the 2021 Graduates:

Ella Cammack, Gabriel Duncalfe, Rhys Duncalfe, Jay Ramo, Madison Richardson, Justin Ross & Kara Smith

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