

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022

The First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Psalm

Psalm 23

- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!

The Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Gospel Reading

John 13:31-35

Before proclaiming the Gospel, the Priest says

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Priest: 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: Joe McClellan
 18th: Danny Carroll
 19th: Rita Burke
 23rd: Alan McCalman
 23rd: Erin Millican
 24th: Fred Brink
 25th: Charlotte Oberthier
 30th: Cord Cammack

This Week at SMAA

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

6:00 pm Dinner & fellowship

Sunday, May 22, 2022

9:00 am Bible Study

10:00am Morning Prayer

Worship Tech Volunteers

We are needing more Worship Tech Volunteers. You can set your own volunteer schedule in our church scheduling program. It is easy, just use a mouse to project the next slide onto the screen. Major skill needed is to climb stairs. Contact Bryan White b4hntn@cablelynx.com

This Sunday's Servers

Cameras & Streaming: Robert Brown

Danny's Team: Frank Supercinski

Eucharistic Ministers: Frank Supercinski

Greeter: Amy Brown

Lector: Ruby Hahne

Nursery Helper: Helen Daniel

Ushers: Jerry Ritchie

Vestry People: Connie Bobnock, David Brown

Worship Tech: Amy Brown

Prayer Requests

Healing For:

- The Deakins Family
- The Keith Family
- Mother Tracey
- Frank Rauch

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 |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 04/10/22 | \$4,222 | \$2,955 | \$1,266 |
| 04/17/22 | \$3,628 | \$2,955 | \$673 |
| 04/24/22 | \$1,591 | \$2,955 | -\$1,364 |
| 05/01/22 | \$1,352 | \$2,955 | -\$1,603 |
| 05/08/22 | \$10,249 | \$2,955 | \$7,294 |
| YTD TOTALS | \$56,877 | \$56,149 | \$728 |

NEXT Sunday's Servers (05/22)

Cameras & Streaming: Robert Brown

Danny's Team: Laura Buckner

Eucharistic Ministers: Frank Supercinski

Greeter: Michael Greathouse

Lector: Susan Brown

Nursery Helper: Becky Supercinski

Ushers: David Brown

Vestry People: Susan Kuhlman, Susan Schug

Worship Tech: Amy Brown

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