

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2022

The First Reading

Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Psalm

Psalm 97

- 1 The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.

8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O LORD.

9 For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.

10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.

The Second Reading

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

The Gospel Reading

John 17:20-26

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, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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, June 1, 2022

6:00 pm Dinner & fellowship

Sunday, June 5, 2022

9:00 am Bible Study

10:00am Morning Prayer

Pentecost Picnic

Join us after the service, **NEXT Sunday, June 5th**
 All the hamburger meat and hot dogs will be supplied.
 We need volunteers to bring buns, chips, drinks, & desserts.
 Signup sheet is in the narthex. Don't forget to wear RED.

Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate the flowers for the service, the Flower Dedication forms for 2022 are in the narthex.

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@cablerynx.com

This Sunday's Servers

Cameras & Streaming: Robert Brown

Danny's Team: Diane Buffington

Eucharistic Ministers: Becky Supercinski

Greeter: Susan Kuhlman

Lector: Helen Daniel

Nursery Helper: Roxanne Brink

Ushers: Donna Richardson

Vestry People: David Brown, Connie Bobnock

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
05/01/22	\$1,352	\$2,955	-\$1,603
05/08/22	\$10,249	\$2,955	\$7,294
05/15/22	\$1,092	\$2,955	-\$1,863
05/22/22	\$1,941	\$2,955	-\$1,015
YTD TOTALS	\$59,909	\$62,059	-\$2,150

NEXT Sunday's Servers (06/05)

Cameras & Streaming: Robert Brown

Danny's Team: Susan Kuhlman

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Lynn Dawes

Greeter: Becky Supercinski

Lector: Frank Supercinski

Nursery Helper: Helen Daniel

Ushers: Michael Greathouse

Vestry People: Becky Supercinski, Amy Brown

Worship Tech: Laura Buckner

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