

May 13, 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Musical Prelude

L/ He is Risen! Alleluia!

C/ Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!

Announcements

Passing of the peace

MerryMacs – Mother’s Day devotion

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 1)

L/ Blessed is the person who walks in the Law of the Lord!

C/ You are blessed if you do not seek the advice of the wicked but instead read and delight in God’s ways.

L/ We are renewed like a tree planted by the River. We bear fruit and we prosper in the Lord!

C/ The Lord watches over the way of the righteous but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

Hymn of Praise: #526 The Solid Rock

Opening Prayer

L/ Almighty God, your blessed Son Jesus ascended far above all heavens that He might be Lord of all creation. Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as He promised, Jesus abides with us on earth to the end of time. Send us His church to teach and tell the Good News, holding us together in the unity of the Spirit that the world may come to believe in Him also!

C/ Amen. Alleluia!

Children’s Chat

“Mom”

A baby asked God, “They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?”

“Your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you.”

The child further inquired, “But tell me, here in heaven I don’t have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy.”

God said, *“Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you. And you will feel your angel’s love and be very happy.”*

Again the child asked, “And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don’t know the language?”

God said, *“Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak.”*

“And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you?”

God said, *“Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray.”*

“Who will protect me?”

God said, *“Your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life.”*

“But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore.”

God said, *“Your angel will always talk to you about Me and will teach you the way to come back to Me, even though I will always be next to you.”*

At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard, and the child hurriedly asked, “God, if I am to leave now, please tell me my angel’s name.”

You will simply call her “Mom.”



Happy Mother's Day!

Special Music - Choir

Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Daniel 6: 25-27 **page 1383*

Canticle: #545 Moment By Moment

New Testament Lesson: Acts 1: 1-11 **pages 1690-91*

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith: Scriptural Affirmation (1 Corinthians 15: 1-6)

All/ This is the Good News which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that He was buried, that He rose on the third day and that He appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many other faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God!

Offertory; Doxology #815

Joys and Concerns

Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/ Father, grant us your Spirit, that we might rightly understand and truly obey your Word of truth. Open our hearts that we may love what you command and desire only that which you promise.

C/ Set us free from distractions or preoccupations that we might hear you calling us and follow because of your precious grace given through Jesus Christ our Risen Lord. (Christian Reformed Church in North America, 1987)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: # 377 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Dennis VandeHoef & Terry Wiese

Greeters: Dick & Loretta McClain

Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon

Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra

All members are ministers of Jesus Christ

Attendance 5/6/18: 37

Offering 5/6/18: \$1,512.00

There are 47 paid per capitas: \$37 for 2018

-Today's Bulletin is Sponsored by
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In Memory of Betty Hamann

-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Tami Ehret on May 18th, and to Bud McClure and Amanda Perkins on May 19th.

-HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Kurtis & Karissa Louscher TOMORROW.

-Remember to wear red next Sunday as we celebrate Pentecost! Worship will be led by The Jammins.

-Let us all continue to give what we can to the Cherish Center Baby Bottle Campaign. Please return bottles by June 3rd.

-CHOIR will not meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

-Pastor Tim will be out of town from May 16th thru May 20th. For Pastoral emergencies - call Pastor Clint at (712) 330-1333.

-Session calls a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 27 immediately following worship for the purpose of electing a deacon to a vacated term on the Board of Deacons.

-Vacation Bible School 2018 will be July 15-17. We're still looking for VBS helpers. Sign-up sheet is in the entryway.

-We are preparing for our annual Garage Sale on June 2nd. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the church and place them in the second Sunday School room south of the Nursery (Room B). Remember – no electronics or broken items, and no clothes.

-Friday morning Bible Study continues every Friday at 10 a.m. We are studying the book of Luke, and everyone is welcome.