

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN CHRIST

PRELUDE *The Gift of Love* arr. Helvey

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

He calls us forward into the New World that he is creating

and bids us to share the Good News with everyone.

The Risen Christ is with us!

Praise the Lord!

+OPENING HYMN *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* # 152

KIDS TIME

ANTHEM *I Believe* Sanctuary Choir
Tamara Wilson, Soloist

I believe in the sun even when it's not shining.

I believe in love even when I don't feel it.

I believe in God even when God is silent.

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Acts 17: 22-31

PSALTER Psalm 66: 8-20

Bless our God, O peoples;

let the sound of his praise be heard,

who has kept us among the living

and has not let our feet slip.

For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.

You brought us into the net;

you laid burdens on our backs;

you let people ride over our heads;

we went through fire and through water;

yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

I will come into your house with burnt offerings;

I will pay you my vows,

**those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised
when I was in trouble.**

I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatted calves,

with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

Come and hear, all you who fear God,

and I will tell what he has done for me.

I cried aloud to him,

and he was extolled with my tongue.

If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,

the Lord would not have listened.

But truly God has listened;

he has heard the words of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer

or removed his steadfast love from me.

SECOND LESSON I Peter 3: 13-22

+ GOSPEL LESSON John 14: 15-21

+ACCLAMATION *Gloria Patri* #

SERMON

+HYMN *Spirit of the Living God* # 398

+POSTLUDE *Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart* Arr. Ritter

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostle's Creed* # 882

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER # 895

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements & Mission Moment

Offertory *Poem for Mother's Day* E. Higgins

+Doxology #94

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD & NEIGHBOR

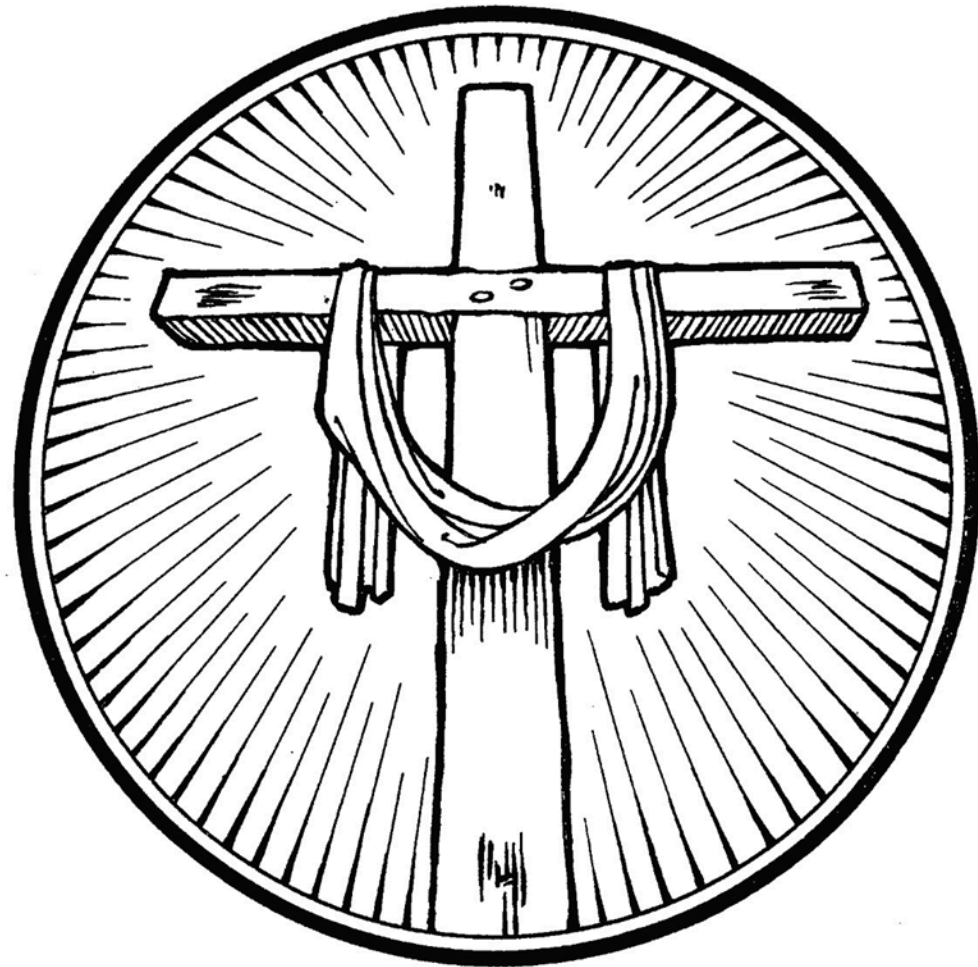
+CLOSING HYMN *Love Diving, All Loves Excelling* # 384

+BENEDICTION



Service of the Word

Sixth Sunday of Easter



10 May 2026