

Hymns for June 1, 2025

Processional: H473 *Lift High the Cross*

Hymn of Praise: NSB191 *Glory in Excelsis*

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Recessional: H473 *Lift High the Cross*

Easter 7

The Word of God

(Holy Eucharist II Prayer C)

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Lift High the Cross (H473)

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

1.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

2.

Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Glory in Excelsis (NSB 191)

1. Glory to God in the highest,
and Peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the lord.

You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray

Celebrant: O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone

before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Testament 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.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm

Spoken Responsively by half verse

Psalm 97:1-12

1 The Lord is Majesty; let the earth rejoice;*
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about Abba
God,*

**righteousness and justice are the
foundations of God's throne.**

3 A fire goes before Abba God*
and burns up God's enemies on every side.

4 God's lightnings light up the world;*
the earth sees it and is afraid.

5 The mountains melt like wax at the
presence of Abba God,*
**at the presence of Abba God of the whole
earth.**

6 The heavens declare God's righteousness,*
and all the peoples see God's glory.

7 Confounded be all who worship carved
images and delight in false gods!*

Bow down before Abba God, all you gods.

8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of
Judah rejoice,*

because of your judgments, Abba God.

9 For you are Abba God, most high over all the
earth;*

you are exalted far above all gods.

10 The Lord loves those who hate evil;*

God preserves the lives of God's 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 Abba God, you righteous,*

and give thanks to Abba God's holy Name.

Epistle 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.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's
people.

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual *Blessed Assurance (NSB 27)*

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

The Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 17:20-26

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."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Gradual *Blessed Assurance (NSB 27)*

2. Perfect submission – all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

The Sermon

The Affirmation of Faith

All: We believe in God above us,
maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth,
of all living things.

We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,
born of a woman,
servant of the poor,
tortured and nailed to a tree.

A man of sorrows,
and acquainted with grief,

he died alone and forsaken.

He descended into the earth
to the place of death.

On the third day he rose from the tomb.

He ascended into heaven,
to be everywhere present throughout all ages,
and His kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit burning with Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of resurrection and of eternal life. ***Amen***

The Prayers of the People (from *Form III*)

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God,
for our community, the Church, and the
world:

Leader: Creator, we pray for unity within the
church of God and between all traditions;

Congregation: That we may be one family in
You as You are in us.

Leader: Grant that all who know you by any name may truly and humbly serve you and their neighbor;

Congregation: That you may be given all glory and honor by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, deacons, and leaders in all traditions;

Congregation: That they may lead their people in truth and light.

Leader: We pray especially for our leadership team;

Congregation: That they remain always in Your care as they share their gifts in ministry to this community.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in all the communities, states, regions, and nations of the world;

Congregation: That they use their authority to benefit all the peoples of the world.

Leader: Give each of us gathered here grace, strength and courage to be examples of your Love in all that we do;

Congregation: That our words and deeds may bring your Spirit to others.

Leader: May our care for this world, our island home, show the gratitude and respect given by welcome guests;

Congregation: That our descendants may also celebrate and rejoice in your creation.

Leader: Have compassion on your people who are suffering from grief or troubles;

Congregation: That they know You walk beside them through these challenges.

Leader: Give to our beloved departed eternal rest;

Congregation: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: Let us pray, out loud or in silence, for our needs and the needs of others;

Celebrant: (concluding collect)

Congregation: Amen

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Time for Blessings

Offertory Sentence

Hymn During Collection

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song.

This cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!

My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save.
[And] on that cross as Jesus died,
[our human sin was magnified.
Yet Love thru him it did not fade];
here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me.

For I am His and He is mine,
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death;
this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand.
Till He returns or calls me home,
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Doxology



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures



here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye



heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Celebrant: All things come of you, O God;
People: and of your own have we given you.

The Liturgy of the Table

Holy Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to God

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God

People: It is right to give our thanks and
praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us to have dominion and communion with creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another and the creation.

People: Have mercy, God, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you reveled your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets,

apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

All (S130)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: And so, Creator, we who have been redeemed by Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts, Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Christ, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises,
God, through Jesus Christ our great High
Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy
Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and
worship from generation to generation.

People: AMEN.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: God of Promise, you have
prepared a banquet for us, Alleluia!

People: Happy are those who are called to
the Supper of the Lamb, Alleluia!

The Fraction *Sung by All*

Fraction Anthem



Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not



hun - ger. Je - sus Christ, Ri - sen Lord,



those who trust in you will not thirst

Celebrant: τὰ ἅγια τοῖς ἁγίοις

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music

Amazing Grace (H671)

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
was blind but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

5. When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing of the Beloved

Closing Hymn *Lift High the Cross (H473)*

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

3.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

4.

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

The Dismissal

Deacon:

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Announcements

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