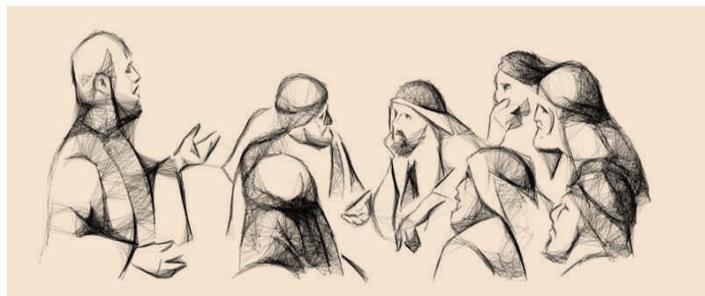


**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 2, 2021**

**Worship on Zoom
Sundays at 9:30 a.m.**

Or watch on YouTube Channel

All Saints Lutheran Church, Albuquerque



The Zoom link for worship each week is: <https://zoom.us/j/680469401>

You can also call in to Zoom at 1-669-900-9128 and the meeting ID number is 680 469 401.

The service will be recorded and you can watch it any time on YouTube – go to <https://YouTube.com> and look for the “All Saints Lutheran Church, Albuquerque, NM” channel for our recordings. Past recordings are also located there.

To prepare, you can set up a worship space with a candle and cross, flowers, or whatever makes it feel like a place for worship. If you join the worship service by Zoom and choose to participate in Holy Communion, have a small bit of bread and wine or juice ready as well. Recorded services do not include Holy Communion.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song

Build Your Kingdom Here ~ Grace Notes

Greeting and Prayer of the Day

The grace of the risen Christ, the steadfast love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you

Let us pray

Lord of all, in Jesus you have made us all sisters and brothers in Christ. There is no distinction between Gentile and Jew. There is no separation that can remove any from fellowship in Christ’s community. Blind us to our differences so that in unity we may proclaim your truth to all, for the sake of Jesus Christ in whom there is harmony and peace.
Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Be Not Afraid ~ ELW 388

*Be not afraid, sing out for joy; Christ is risen, Alleluia!
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Narrative Reading: Acts 15:1-18

Then certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, ‘Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.’ And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. So they were sent on their way by the church, and as they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, they reported the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the believers.* When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all that God had done with them. But some believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and said, ‘It is necessary for them to be circumcised and ordered to keep the law of Moses.’

The apostles and the elders met together to consider this matter. After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, ‘My brothers,* you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that I should be the one through whom the Gentiles would hear the message of the good news and become believers. And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; and in cleansing their hearts by faith he has made no distinction between them and us. Now therefore why are you putting God to the test by placing on the neck of the disciples a yoke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.’

The whole assembly kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. After they finished speaking, James replied, ‘My brothers,* listen to me. Simeon has related how God first looked favourably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written,

“After this I will return,
and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen;
from its ruins I will rebuild it,
and I will set it up,
so that all other peoples may seek the Lord—
even all the Gentiles over whom my name has been called.
Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things known from long ago.”*

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading

‘Master, now you are dismissing your servant* in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.’
The gospel of the Lord

The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon Pastor Pat Mohr-Kelly

Song of the Day *The Church’s One Foundation ~ ELW 654 (vs. 1,2,5)*

The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word.
From heav’n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth:
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
Oh, blessed heav’nly chorus! Lord save us by your grace,
that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

Creed

(you may take your microphone off mute as we profess our faith together)

I believe in God, eternal, almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of all, the Only Begotten One;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
lived and loved among us,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried,
who descended into hell,
and on the third day rose from the dead.

Jesus, our Savior, ascended into heaven,
sits at the right hand of the loving God,
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 dead,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

*Each prayer ends with the words, “God of life,”
and the response is “Hear our prayer”*

We pray for: Tom Arguello, Jean Bernabo, Karen Birner, Lillian Edwards, Olga Fassler, Jerry Ferdig, Frank and Bev Horn, Jon Jastram, Fern Knudsen, Bob Klenner, Julie LaHam, Al Miller, Steve Reil, Ed Strebe, Dave Thompson; Lucy Amundson Welch and Bob Welch.

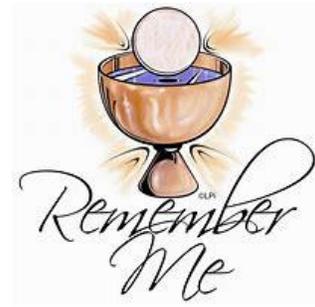
Farewell and Godspeed to Sharon Ellis

Offertory *In You Alone ~ video by The Work of The People*

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We are grateful for your continued support.*

Holy Communion - spoken

The Lord be with You
 And also with you
Lift up your hearts
 We lift them to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
 It is right to give God thanks and praise



Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer

**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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Receiving Communion

As the pastor says, “The body of Christ, given for you,” take the bread, or if others are with you, you may serve one another the bread. When the pastor says, “The blood of Christ, shed for you,” take or share the wine or juice.

Blessing after Communion

Closing Music

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty ~ Craig Phillips

Dismissal

With the risen life of Christ within you,
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.