

Sending Hymn: I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living Head.

He lives triumphant from the grave,
He lives eternally to save,
He lives all-glorious in the sky,
He lives exalted there on high.

Dismissal: Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **Thanks be to God**

Mark your calendars:

- Sunday, May 14 - 9am at Kirkebo
- Sunday, May 21 - 9am at Nora, 10am Last Day of Sunday School and fellowship time.
- Followed by all Perley Parish Congregation meeting with Pastor Melissa Pickering to review next steps for Rural Revival.

- Nora May Ushers: Sean & Anita Jalbert & Vern & Claudia Cleveland

**Perley Parish
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023**

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: The Church's One Foundation

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.

Yet she on earth has union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by your grace,
That we, like saints before us,
May see your face to face.

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 (Read responsively)

In you, O LORD, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. **Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.** Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. **You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me,** take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge. **Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.** My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors. **Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.**

First Reading Acts 7:55-60

Second Reading 1 Peter 2:2-10

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel according to John 14:1-14 **Glory to you O Lord**

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Children's Message
Message

Hymn of the Day/Offering: Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity.
Refrain.

Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend
and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity.
Refrain.

Refrain: With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry

Offering Response: *We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone a trust o, Lord in thee.*

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people: (Hear us, O God, Your mercy is great)

Lord's Prayer (spoken)

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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Blessing

The God of all, who raised Jesus from the dead, blesses us by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. Amen

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