Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024, 9:30 AM

SINGERS ANTHEM "Because You Are"

Jeanne Howell
Malainie Stoma

First Reading

A reading from First John the fifth chapter:

1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Psalm 98To be read responsively

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,

whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²O LORD, you have made known your victory,

you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,

with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸Let the rivers clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John: Glory to you O Lord.

John 15:9-1

[Jesus said:] ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ

SONG OF THE DAY "Like A Shepherd"



BAPTISM Everly Elizabeth Cox

Parents

Nathan Kyle Cox Elizabeth Ann Cox **Sponsors**

Victoria Richardson Spencer Richardson

SENDING SONG "Celebrate the Lord of Love"



UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour - Please join us after worship in Fields Hall.

Mothers Day Sunday - Last day to fill out your Mothers Day dedications.

Congregation Dinner/Mentor Night - Wednesday May 15th—6PM Congregational Dinner /Mentor Night! Marinated London broil, Mashed potatoes, Green beans & Dessert!

Save the Date - Congregation Dinner - June 8th at 3PM, Island Adventure theme.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by:

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Thank you for serving as worship leaders today!

Acolyte: J
Communion Asst:
Greeters: Lector:

Ushers:

Singers: Jeenne Howell & Malainie Stoma

Virtual Facilitator: Child Care: Bell Ringers:

Gift Bearers: The family
Coffee Hour: Marcia Davidson
Altar Guild: Malainie Stoma

PRAYER CONCERNS

We continue to pray for:

Family of James & Lori Andershonis: Beverly Vecchione

Friends and family of Jeanette Baker: Frank Baker, Alex Cunningham, Jayne Lewis, Linda Quinn

Family of Annie Clay: Dorthe Royster

Friend of Ellen Blaine: Keith Correll, Carl Gerhard

Family of Sheila Blaine: Logen Rodriguez,

Friend of Charlie & Marcia Davidson: Gail Boyle

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Don Gunter.

Family of Cathy DiLello: Russell DiLello Craig & Marianne Dise: Richard Barthelmeh

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Family of Jeanne Howell: Tami Ochs, Jack Steffen

Friend of Beth Johnson: *Tammy Jackman* Friends of Ryann Johnson: *Lori & Children*

Family of Barbara Rennie: Krista Gundersen, Alan Rennie

Friends and family of Betty Rush: Charlie Burd, Amy Burd, Kirk Klein, Ed Mancuso, Emily Mancuso,

Pastor Melvin Travis

Family of Ron & Barb Schulz: Richard Schulz

Friend of Dottie Weis: Rich Bosley, Bretton Caws, Matt Dunbar, Bruce Engelbrecht, Kathy Hepner.

Friends of Zion: Linda Dalv,

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