THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER (MOTHER'S DAY)

MAY 10, 2020; 10:00 A.M.

DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES; MORNING PRAYER

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

FROM PSALM 51

BCP p. 137

Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. *Amen*.

A READING FROM JOHN 10:1-10 THE MESSAGE (MSG) JOHN 14:1-14 The Message (MSG)

The Road

14 ¹⁻⁴ "Don't let this throw you. You trust God, don't you? Trust me. There is plenty of room for you in my Father's home. If that weren't so, would I have told you that I'm on my way to get a room ready for you? And if I'm on my way to get your room ready, I'll come back and get you so you can live where I live. And you already know the road I'm taking." ⁵ Thomas said, "Master, we have no idea where you're going. How do you expect us to know the road?" ⁶⁻⁷ Jesus said, "I am the Road, also the Truth, also the Life. No one gets to the Father apart from me. If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him. You've even seen him!" ⁸ Philip said, "Master, show us the Father; then we'll be content." ⁹⁻¹⁰ "You've been with me all this time, Philip, and you still don't understand? To see me is to see the Father. So how can you ask, 'Where is the Father?' Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you aren't mere words. I don't just make them up on my own. The Father who resides in me crafts each word into a divine act. ¹¹⁻¹⁴ "Believe me: I

am in my Father and my Father is in me. If you can't believe that, believe what you see—these works. The person who trusts me will not only do what I'm doing but even greater things, because I, on my way to the Father, am giving you the same work to do that I've been doing. You can count on it. From now on, whatever you request along the lines of who I am and what I am doing, I'll do it. That's how the Father will be seen for who he is in the Son. I mean it. Whatever you request in this way, I'll do.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY Cheryl Smith, Director of Children & Family Ministries (A period of silence may follow.)

THE HAND PRAYER

I love you, God (1-praise)
I'm sorry, God (2-confession)
I thank you, God (3-thanksgiving)
Help others, God (4-intercession)
Help me, God (5-petition)
I'm listening, God (6-meditation)
Amen.

THE 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. 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 COLLECT BCP p. 137

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE BLESSING

Deep peace to you, my child, deep peace.

Peace in your body, peace in your mind, peace in your spirit.

As you breathe in deeply, breathe in peace.

May the worries in your mind seem far away.

May you know God's love for you, and your family's love too.

Deep, deep peace to you, my child, deep peace.

(Excerpt from Prayers for Faithful Families by Traci Smith)