

# **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

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## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

Angela Kromm

### Confession & Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.*

**P** *Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** *Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.*

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** *Reconciling God,*

**C** **we confess that we do not trust your abundance,  
and we deny your presence in our lives.**

**We place our hope in ourselves  
and rely on our own efforts.**

**We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.**

**We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.**

**We fear difference and do not welcome others  
as you have welcomed us.**

**We sin in thought, word, and deed.**

**By your grace, forgive us;**

**through your love, renew us;**

**and in your Spirit, lead us;**

**so that we may live and serve you in newness of life.**

**Amen.**

**P** *Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen.**

## Opening

### How Firm a Foundation

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The score consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of lyrics, and the second system contains the remaining lyrics. The piano accompaniment is written in the bass clef and provides harmonic support for the vocal parts.

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
3 "When through fi - 'ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,  
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove

is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.  
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;

What more can he say than to you he has said  
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
 The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign  
 and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,

who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."  
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."  
 like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

**P** *From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Let us pray. Merciful God,*

**C** **when the storms rage and threaten to overtake us, awaken our faith to know the power of your peace. Deliver us from our fear and ease our anxiety. Help us to endure times of uncertainty and give us strength to face the challenges ahead. Give us the assurance of your presence even in this time, so that we can cling to your promise of hope and life shown to us through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Reading

Acts 27:1-2, 7-8, 13-26, 41-44

**L** *A reading from Acts. <sup>1</sup>When it was decided that we were to sail for Italy, they transferred Paul and some other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan Cohort, named Julius. <sup>2</sup>Embarking on a ship of Adramyttium that was about to set sail to the ports along the coast of Asia, we put to sea, accompanied by Aristarchus, a Macedonian from Thessalonica. <sup>7</sup>We sailed slowly for a number of days and arrived with difficulty off Cnidus, and as the wind was against us, we sailed under the lee of Crete off Salmone. <sup>8</sup>Sailing past it with difficulty, we came to a place called Fair Havens, near the city of Lasea.*

*<sup>13</sup>When a moderate south wind began to blow, they thought they could achieve their purpose; so they weighed anchor and began to sail past Crete, close to the shore. <sup>14</sup>But soon a violent wind, called the northeaster, rushed down from Crete. <sup>15</sup>Since the ship was caught and could not be turned head-on into the wind, we gave way to it and were driven. <sup>16</sup>By running under the lee of a small island called Cauda we were scarcely able to get the ship's boat under control. <sup>17</sup>After hoisting it up they took measures to undergird the ship; then, fearing that they would run on the Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and so were driven. <sup>18</sup>We were being pounded by the storm so violently that on the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard, <sup>19</sup>and on the third day with their own hands they threw the ship's tackle overboard. <sup>20</sup>When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest raged, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.*

*<sup>21</sup>Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul then stood up among them and said, "Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and thereby avoided this damage and loss. <sup>22</sup>I urge you now to keep up your courage, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. <sup>23</sup>For last night there stood by me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I*

worship, <sup>24</sup>and he said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before the emperor; and indeed, God has granted safety to all those who are sailing with you.' <sup>25</sup>So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told. <sup>26</sup>But we will have to run aground on some island."

<sup>41</sup>Striking a reef, they ran the ship aground; the bow stuck and remained immovable, but the stern was being broken up by the force of the waves. <sup>42</sup>The soldiers' plan was to kill the prisoners, so that none might swim away and escape; <sup>43</sup>but the centurion, wishing to save Paul, kept them from carrying out their plan. He ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and make for the land, <sup>44</sup>and the rest to follow, some on planks and others on pieces of the ship. And so it was that all were brought safely to land.

**L**    *The word of the Lord.*

**C**    **Thanks be to God.**

## **Children's Message**

## **Sermon**

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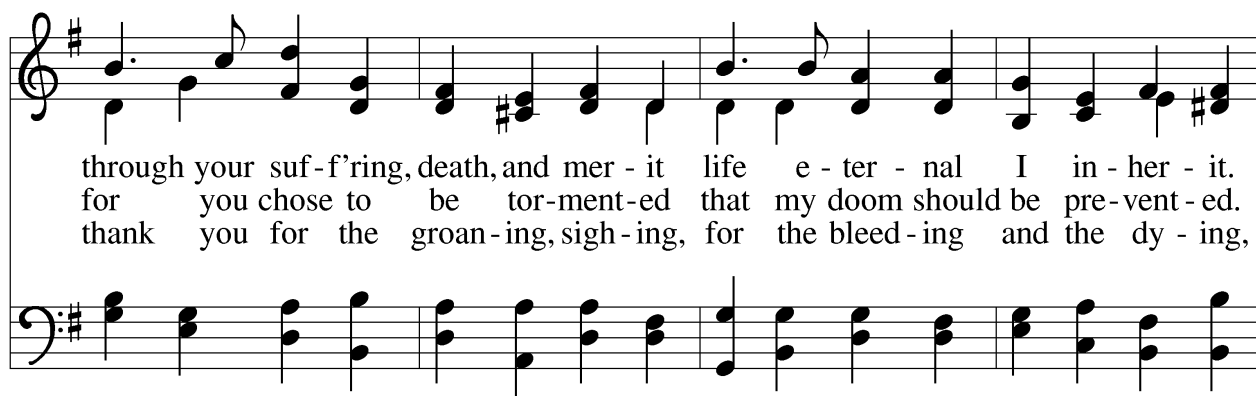
# Christ, the Life of All the Living



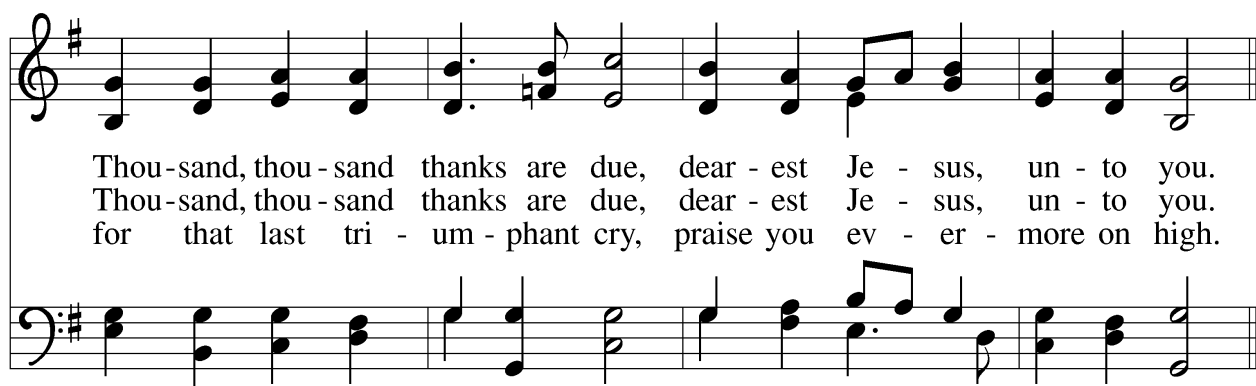
1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
2 You have suf - fered great af - flic - tion and have borne it pa - tient - ly,  
3 Then, for all that bought my par - don, for the sor - rows deep and sore,



Christ, your - self for me once giv - ing to the dark - est depths of woe:  
e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion, ful - ly to a - tone for me;  
for the an - guish in the gar - den, I will thank you ev - er - more;



through your suf - f'ring, death, and mer - it life e - ter - nal I in - her - it.  
for you chose to be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.  
thank you for the groan - ing, sigh - ing, for the bleed - ing and the dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.  
Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.  
for that last tri - um - phant cry, praise you ev - er - more on high.

**P** *Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.*  
**C** **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 into hell. 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 saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**P** *Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.*

*After each portion of the prayers:*

**P** *Hear us, O God.*  
**C** **Your mercy is great.**

*The prayers conclude:*

**P** *Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*  
**C** **Amen.**

**P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*  
**C** **And also with you.**



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**P** *Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,*

**C** **we give you thanks and praise.**

**P** *By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,*

**C** **we give you thanks and praise.**

**P** *Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,*

**C** **we give you thanks and praise.**

**P** *Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** *Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:*

**C** **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, forever and ever. Amen.**

**P** *Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.*

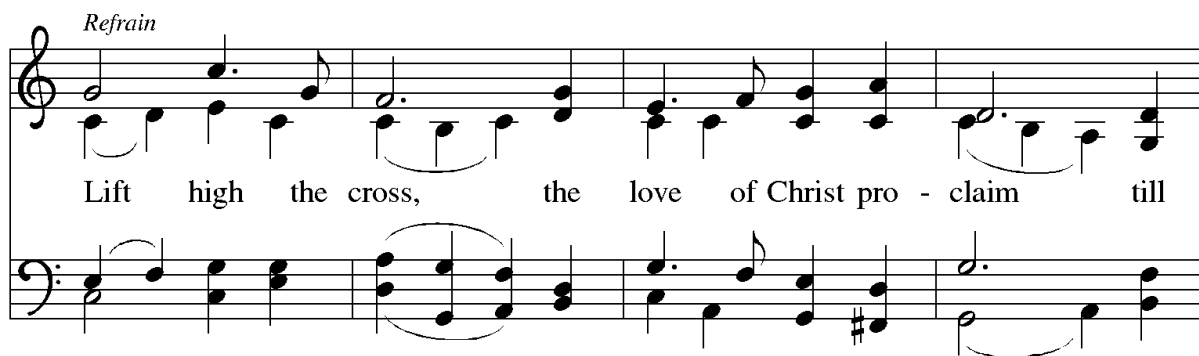
*God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.*

**C** **Amen.**

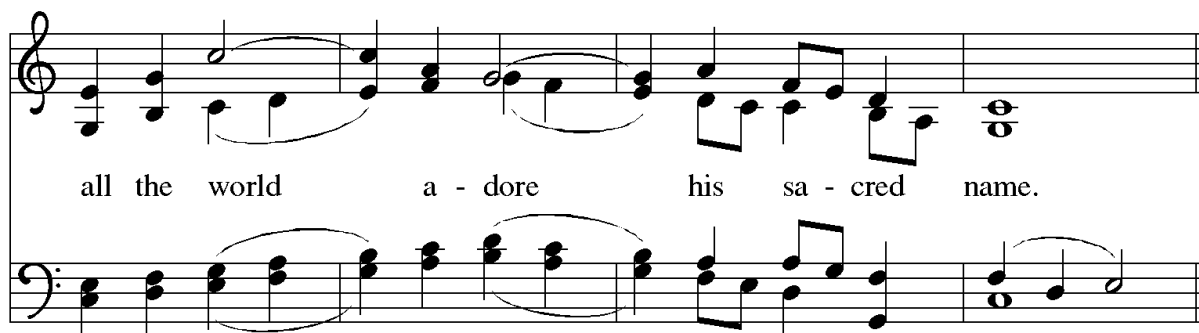
# Sending Hymn

## Lift High the Cross

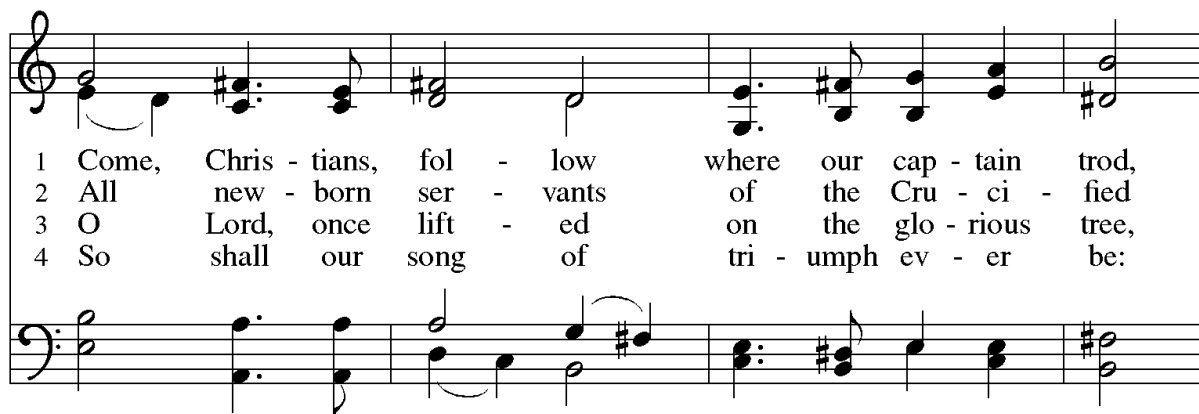
*Refrain*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

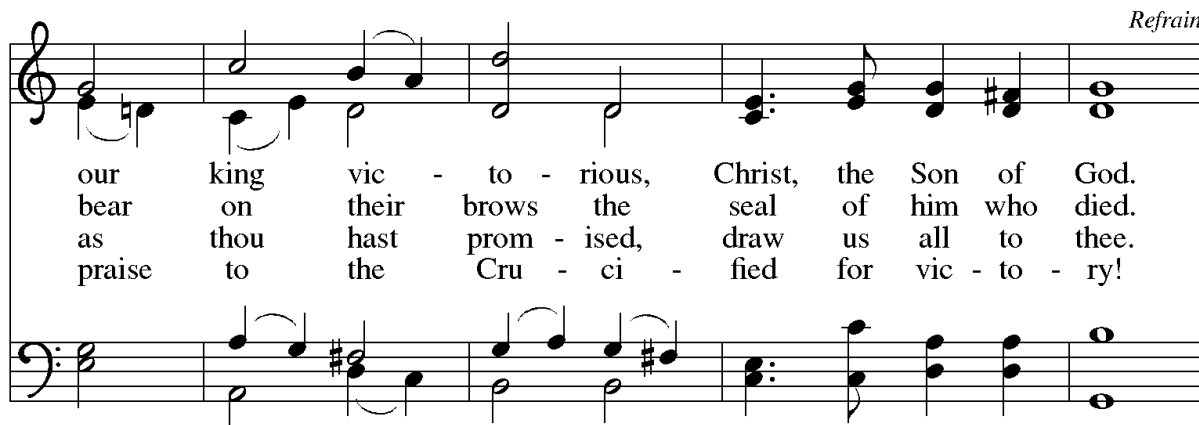


all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Refrain*



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.  
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

**P** *Go in peace. Christ is with you.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

### **Daily Texts for this Week:**

*July 6- Acts 28:1-10; July 7 - Acts 28:11-16; July 8 - Acts 28:17-22;  
July 9- Acts 28:23-31; July 10 - Acts 3:11-16; July 11 - Acts 3:17-26*

### **Text for next Sunday:**

*Acts 4:1-22*

**Pray for Those That Need God's Healing**

*Barbara, Darius, Trudy, Betsey, Bonnie, Joan, Don, Phyllis, Silvia,  
Elsie-Marie, Harry, Jean, Betty, Juanita, Debbie, Lois, David,  
Bruce, Erica, Tom, and Kimberly*

**Pray for Our Service Men and Women**

*Josh, Matthew, Michael,  
Nick, Derek, Matt, Christopher,  
Andrew, Jason, and Christopher*

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