

# Worship Lifeline

## In Scripture Today

### Introduction to the Day

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

### Acts 1:6-14

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

### 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

### John 17:1-11

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

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### May 31, 2020, Day of Pentecost Readings and Psalm

**Acts 1:6-14** Jesus' companions at prayer after his departure

**Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35** Sing to God, who rides upon the clouds. (Ps. 68:4)

**1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11** God will sustain and restore those who suffer

**John 17:1-11** Christ's prayer for his disciples

## In Worship Today

### Come to the Table

*Ours is the table,  
not of the Church, but of the Lord.  
It is made ready  
for those who love him  
and for those  
who want to love him more.  
So come!  
You who have much faith and  
you who have little, come!  
You who have been here often  
and you who have not been  
here long, come!  
You who have tried to follow and  
you who have failed, come!  
Come, because it is the Lord  
who invites you.  
It is his promise that those who want him  
can always meet him here. Come.*

### Welcome to Worship

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Jesus' Prayer

Decades beyond her early childhood, from time to time she repeats the bedtime prayer she has never forgotten: "Now I lay me down to sleep. I pray the Lord my soul to keep. Guard me, Jesus, through the night, and wake me with the morning light." What then follows is the threading of names, precious like pearls, on a string. "God bless . . ." she begins, then lists mom, dad, grandmas, grandpas, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, all by name. Then teachers she liked, friends nearby and hungry children afar, the sick neighbor, the old man in the library, the blind lady at the post office, the lifeguard at the beach. Sometimes there is an "Amen," but often sleep comes first.

Jesus washes the feet of his disciples, shares a farewell meal with them, and teaches for the last time about his way of love. He promises again the presence of the Spirit and the coming of God's peace. Then, at the end of the day, he prays that God will be with his followers—and he prays for each of us. Jesus prays for his disciples, that they might know the love of God just as much as they know the real person of Jesus.

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## Ministry This Week

### COVID-19: Week 11

### Zoomday, May 24, Easter 7

10:00 AM—S ASLC Zoom  
8:00 PM—F ?AA?

### Monday, May 25

7:30 PM—Z OA

### Tuesday, May 26

9:30 AM—F Sandwich MeetUp  
10:00 AM—Z Christian Conv.  
8:00 PM—F ?NA?

### Wednesday, May 27

8:00 PM—F ?AA?

### Thursday, May 28

8:00 PM—F ?NA?

### Friday, May 29

10:00 AM—Z Bible Study

### Saturday, May 30

9:00 AM—GR OA—Zoom

### Sunday, May 31

10:15 AM—S ASLC Zoom

F=Fellowship; OC=Out of Church; OO=Outer Office GR=Gray Room; LL=Lower Level; CL1=Lower Level Open Room 1; CL2=Lower Level Open Room 2; N+Narthex; S=Sanctuary; UR=Upper Room; A=Away from All Saints

Calendar Note: The Sandwich MeetUp limits participation to 4 individuals at this time. Sandwiches are shared with Rock of Ages in their ongoing shepherding with homeless/street people.

### Jesus' Prayer

Continued

Jesus' prayer is also a prayer for unity. Jesus prays that we may be one just as he and God are one. Jesus prays, "All mine are yours, and yours are mine" (John 17:10). Following Jesus' example, we also may pray for the unity of all people with God, and the reconciling of peoples and all creation. We pray that what the world rejects God will receive. We pray that what the world divides God will make one. We pray that what the world threatens God will protect.

May we be comforted by Jesus' prayer for us, and may we be so emboldened to pray ourselves for the blessing, presence, and unity found in our risen Lord and Savior. (Sundays and Seasons)

**Russ' Reminders—**

All known ASLC birthdays and anniversaries are listed in your Church Directory. We can print you a copy or you can view the directory on your PC or Smartphone. It's all pretty easy once you move through the learning curve, which is more like a speed bump. **Contact Rica Kelly** with changes and updates to all directory information.

It's easy: go to [www.allsaintslilburn.org](http://www.allsaintslilburn.org) & click on "Member Directory Link." Log in. You'll see it all!

**ANNIVERSARIES  
MAY**

- 25 Herb & Melody McCaulla
- 27 Kim Alan & Sue Stover-48
- 28 Claire & Bob Heiser
- 29 Phil & "Sam" Undergrahm
- 31 Jerry and Dixie Wigbels

**JUNE**

- 7 Dave & Sharon Anyan
- 12 Jim & Karen Kraus
- 22 Bruce & Kelly Kraus
- 27 Larry & Lennie Cauble
- 29 Rick & Sandra Robinson

**BIRTHDAYS  
MAY**

- 27 Brian Ehrich  
Jack Branscomb
- 29 Sheila Wagner

**JUNE**

- 6 Alex Sanderlin
- 11 Sam Underwood
- 16 Marie Zagaglia
- 17 Herb McCaulla
- 18 Lisa Mitchell
- 24 Glenn Branscomb  
Vivian McCann
- 28 Bennett Krynski

**This Week's Commemorations**

**Nicolaus Copernicus, died 1543; Leonhard Euler, died 1783; scientists**

**Sunday, May 24, 2020**

These two men were both scientists who helped to explain the wonders of God's universe. Copernicus is best known for promoting the idea that the sun, not the earth, is at the center of our solar system. Euler was one of the founders of pure mathematics, and contributed to many other fields.

**John Calvin, renewer of the church, died 1564**

**Wednesday, May 27,**

Gifted both as a systematic theologian and as an interpreter of scriptures, Calvin embraced the Reformation, and as a preacher in Geneva, Switzerland, brought a theocratic government to it. He is regarded as the father of the Reformed churches.

**Jiri, hymnwriter, died 1637**

**Friday, May 29, 2020**

Tranovský is considered to be the father of Slovak hymnody as well as an important reformer of the Slavic church. He translated the Augsburg Confession (the basis of Lutheran teachings) and published a collection of Slovak hymns.

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**Worship Assistants**

**May 24 Zoom**

- Altar Guild: Amy C
- Lector: Barb L
- Worship Assistant: Joyce H
- Com.Assts: Julie B & Joanne S
- Ushers: Kelly K & Cindy M
- Greeter: Mac M
- Projectionist: N/A
- Children's Sermon: Pastor K
- Counters: Tom & Angie S

**May 31 Zoom**

- Altar Guild:
- Lector: Cheri M
- Worship Assistant: Tom W
- Com.Assistants: John & Joyce H
- Ushers: Lisa M & Larry M
- Greeter: Sue Ly
- Projectionist: Claire H
- Children's Sermon: Mac M
- Counters: Tom & Barb L

**June 7 Zoom**

- Altar Guild: Susan Holbrook
- Lector: Bruce Kraus
- Worship Assistant: Julie Boyer
- Com.Assistants: Mac & Miriam M.
- Ushers: Herb M & Susan H
- Greeter: Martha Wooden
- Projectionist: N/A
- Children's Sermon: Lisa Mitchell
- Counters: Tom & Lorraine H

**June 21 Zoom**

- Altar Guild: Julie Boyer
- Lector: Mary Yale
- Worship Assistant: Barb Litke
- Com.Assistants: Tom & Sheila W.
- Ushers: Cindy M & Lisa M
- Greeter: Pat Barnes
- Projectionist: N/A
- Children's Sermon: Lisa Mitchell
- Counters: Tom & Barb L

