

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19 & 22, 2022

Joy Marches Victorious Over Circumstance

Opening Hymn632, “Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear”

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Prayer of the Day: O God, you are the giver of everything good. Inspire us, your humble servants, to long for what is right and, through your gracious guidance, accomplish it to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING

Psalm of the Day (On Insert)..... Psalm 65B

SECOND READING

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Gospel Acclamation Verse: *Praise God for a living hope: Christ is risen from the dead!*
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GOSPEL

Hymn of the Day890, “Jerusalem the Golden”

SERMON..... “In a Little While” John 16:16-24

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Closing Hymn931 vv. 1 & 2, “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

FIRST READING: Acts 14:8-22

As a witness of Christ’s resurrection, Paul’s joy and his ministry were unaffected by circumstance.

In Lystra there was a man who was sitting down because he had no strength in his feet. He had never walked because he was lame from birth. When he was listening to Paul as he was speaking, Paul looked at him closely and saw that he had faith so that he could be healed. Paul said in a loud voice, “Stand up on your feet!” And the man jumped up and began to walk.

When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian language, “The gods have come down to us in human form.” Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes, because he was the main speaker. The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought bulls and garlands to the city gates, because he wanted to offer sacrifices, along with the crowds. But when the apostles Paul and Barnabas heard about this, they tore their clothes and rushed into the crowd, shouting, “Men, why are you doing these things? We too are men with the same nature as you. We are preaching the good news to you so that you turn from these worthless things to the living God, who

made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and everything in them. In past generations he allowed all the nations to go their own ways. Yet he did not leave himself without testimony of the good he does. He gives you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons. He fills you with food and fills your hearts with gladness.” Even though they said these things, they had a hard time stopping the crowds from sacrificing to them.

Then some Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and persuaded the crowds to stone Paul. When they thought he was dead, they dragged him out of the city. But after the disciples had gathered around him, he stood up and went into the city. The next day, he left with Barnabas for Derbe. After they preached the good news in that city and had gathered many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples and encouraging them to continue in the faith. They told them, “We must go through many troubles on our way to the kingdom of God.”

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:21-27

The great joy we have now will soon be made perfect and complete.

The twelve gates are twelve pearls. Each of the gates is made out of one pearl. And the street of the city is pure gold, like transparent glass. I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, because the glory of God has given it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. There is no day when its gates will be shut, for there will be no night in that place. They will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it. Nothing that is unclean and no one who does what is detestable or who tells lies will ever enter it, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s Book of Life.

GOSPEL: John 16:16-24

Jesus promises that all our grief will be turned to perfect joy.

“In a little while you are not going to see me anymore, and again in a little while you will see me, because I am going away to the Father.” Therefore some of his disciples asked one another, “What does he mean when he tells us, ‘In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me,’ and ‘Because I am going away to the Father?’” So they kept asking, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We don’t understand what he’s saying.” Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, “Are you trying to determine with one another what I meant by saying, ‘In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me’? Amen, Amen, I tell you: You will weep and wail, but the world will rejoice. You will become sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn to joy. A woman giving birth has pain, because her time has come. But when she has delivered the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, because of her joy that a person has been born into the world. “So you also have sorrow now. But I will see you again. Your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. In that day you will not ask me anything. Amen, Amen, I tell you: Whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask, and you will receive, so that your joy may be made complete.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEAD USHERS: Ross Schultz/Wayne Schultz; next Sunday: Ronald Knueppel/Randy Sellnow
ORGANISTS!! The **June** schedule is hanging on the **SCHOOL** bulletin board. Please look at your calendars in the near future and sign up for the date(s) you are willing to play for us. Thank you!

PLANT EXCHANGE: This year's plant exchange will take place on **Sunday (TODAY), May 22**, in the parking lot. Please check it out if interested and especially if you've made arrangements to pick some plants up from someone else.

LAY DELEGATE NEEDED: Pastor Mose is looking for someone to attend the SEW District Convention with him as a lay delegate. The conference is scheduled for **June 14-15, 2022**, at Wisconsin Lutheran College, Milwaukee. If this is something you would be interested in doing, please speak with Pastor Mose today! Thank you!

GRADUATION/ASCENSION/RECOGNITION NIGHT: The graduation of St. Matthew's eighth grade class will be held on **Thursday, May 26**, at the **7:00 PM** worship service. Please also note that Ascension Day falls on this same date. Immediately following the Graduation/Ascension Day Service, Recognition Night festivities will take place in the gym. It should also be noted that the service and sermon will be the same for both Thursday (5/26) evening and Sunday (5/29) morning.

MEMORIAL DAY – AMERICAN LEGION OBSERVANCE: For those of you who may be interested in attending the Mayville American Legion Memorial Day Observance which will be held in St. Matthew's Cemetery on **Monday, May 30, 2022**, it is *tentatively* scheduled to begin at **8:30 AM**. However, please watch your local papers for any changes to this observance as we understand this is always subject to change.

WE THANK the adult choir for enriching our Sunday service with their song!

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Attendance: Thursday: 25; Sunday: 149

Offerings: \$4,086.00

(Budget Amount Needed Each Week: \$6,661.00)

Special Funds: Altar Offering: \$1,760.00

Tuition: \$1,323.75; **4K Tuition:** \$221.85

OUR WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 AM
Plant Exchange – Immediately following worship service (in parking lot)

Thursday: **SCHOOL – NOON DISMISSAL**
Graduation/Ascension Day Worship Service..... 7:00 PM
Recognition Night..... 8:15 PM
SCRIP ORDERS DUE

Sunday: Worship Service (**Fellowship Sunday**)..... 9:00 AM

65B Every Heart Its Tribute Pays

Psalm 65B



1 Ev - 'ry heart its trib - ute pays, ev - 'ry tongue its
2 Ev - er while his deeds en - dure our sal - va - tion
3 Year by year, the sea - sons' round sees the land with



song of praise; sin and sor - row, guilt and care, brought to
stands se - cure; he whose fin - gers spun the earth, gave the
bless - ing crowned, where ca - ressed by sun and rain bar - ren



him who an - swers prayer; there by grace may hu - man - kind
seas and moun - tains birth, tamed the o - cean, formed the land,
earth gives life a - gain; sun - lit val - leys burn with gold,



full and free for - give - ness find; called and cho - sen,
spread the skies with might - y hand: far - off shores re -
na - ture smiles on field and fold, gifts of God in



loved and blest, in his pres - ence be at rest.
vere his name, day and night his pow'r pro - claim.
plen - ty poured: all things liv - ing, praise the Lord!

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