

## ◆ Sending

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### \*Closing Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *blue*, #376  
stanza 2: *sing in harmony*

### \*Charge + Blessing

#### Postlude

Hymne d'Actions de Grâce (Te Deum) *by Jean Langlais*  
*You are invited to be seated for the postlude. Soli Deo Gloria! Glory to God Alone!*



The alpha (Α) and the omega (Ω) are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. The Alpha and Omega (ΑΩ) is an early Christian inscription, found in the Roman catacombs, signifying God's eternal being and reminding us of our limited understanding of a God who is without beginning or end. This God is the eternal One whom we worship and praise as we gather for worship.

*-Art by Elizabeth Steele Halstead*

## Worship

**Pastors:** Rev. Bob W. David + Rev. Kyle R. Otterbein

**Lay leaders:** (8:30) Elizabeth Ebot (11:00) Cate Koeppen

**Music Directors:** Laura Kastens, Lee Rabe, Matthew Penning, Erin Moore

**Music Participants:** Cantate Choristers, Agape Singers, kingsringers, Brass Ensemble, Logos Choir

**Ushers:** (8:30) Ernie + Deann Lehman and Peter + Lois Hatch (11:00) Steve & Mary Beth Carson family

**Greeters:** (8:30) Bruce + Lori Hudson (11:00) Bill + Helen Byington and Clem Alderman

## Announcements

- Children are welcome and encouraged to participate in our worship services.
- Children's bulletins and worship bags are available in the Narthex as you enter the Sanctuary.
- Nursery care is provided for 2-year-olds and younger during both worship services.
- Children's Time is for ages 3 years through Kindergarten and meets in the Castle Room in the East Wing. This is a time of unstructured play, special activities, and continuing worship.
- Seating, sound, and worship hymnals are available in the Narthex.
- Large print hymnals and Bibles are available from the ushers.
- Flowers are given in memory of Leon Paul Lyvers by Leon and Shirley Lyvers.
- Interested in the ministry opportunities of St. Andrew?

Our weekly *Mini-Messenger* and monthly *Messenger* newsletters are available online at: [www.saintandrew-ic.org](http://www.saintandrew-ic.org) (under the "News" heading) or in paper version in the rack near the Welcome Table and on the table outside the main office.

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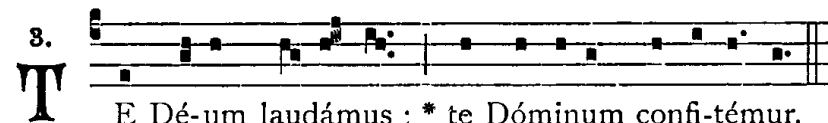
# THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 16, 2010 ◆ 8:30 + 11:00 AM

*Hymns and songs may be found in The Presbyterian Hymnal (blue) or Sing! A New Creation (green).*

## ◆ Meditation

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We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels, the Heavens, and all the Powers,  
the Cherubim and Seraphim proclaim without ceasing:  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts!  
The heavens and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.  
The glorious chorus of the Apostles, the admirable company of the Prophets,  
the white-robed army of Martyrs praise thee.  
Throughout the whole world the holy Church gives praise to thee, the Father of infinite majesty;  
they praise your admirable, true, and only Son; and also the Holy Spirit, our Advocate.

You are the King of glory, O Christ.  
You are the eternal Son of the Father.  
To deliver us, you became human, and did not disdain the Virgin's womb.  
Having blunted the sting of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You sit at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.  
You are believed to be the Judge who will come.  
Therefore, we beseech you, come to the aid of your servants,  
whom you have redeemed by thy precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints in glory everlasting.  
Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance.  
Govern them, and extol them from now into eternity.  
Day by day, we bless thee; and we praise your name for ever, yea, for ever and ever.  
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.  
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

## ◆ Gathering

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### Welcome + Announcements

#### Joyful Partisan

Root River Adventure

Denise Schmitz

*Bold print - speak or sing together in unison*

*\*please stand as you are able*

## Prelude

Praise and Reflection by Mary Kay Parrish

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*Our music is offered to the glory of God; if you wish to express a response, a spoken "Amen" or "Praise God" is welcomed.*

## \*Call to Worship

The Spirit of God bids us, "Come."

Let everyone who hears within their hearts, come.

**Hear the whole earth rejoice and the coastlands sing of our God's steadfast love.**

We come to rejoice in the Holy One, our God.

We give thanks for God sets us free.

**Let everyone who is thirsty for the Spirit, come.**

**Let anyone who wishes, come, and receive the gift of life offered by Jesus Christ.**

## \*Processional Song

Come Now, O Prince of Peace green, #209

stanza 1: choirs only

2 - 4: congregation + choirs

## \*Prayer of Confession

Jesus prays for us, for "those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one."

**As disciples of Christ, we proclaim the hope that we may all be one in his love,**

yet often we become bound, even imprisoned, by our fears or distrust of those who seem different from us in some way.

**When our fears bind us, we forget our calling to be beacons in the world of the love of God.**

We retreat and separate ourselves from others.

**Our fears can imprison us in jail cells of our own making.**

Hear, O God, our desire to be free from our fears and to understand your ways.

**And help us to welcome and accept your entrance of grace into our lives.**

*time of silence for prayer*

## \*Words of Assurance

Sisters and brothers, God is at work in us and with us.

**The glory of God is given to us even now so that we may**

**lift our voices as one in Christ Jesus.**

Because of God's love for us in Jesus Christ, "the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end" sets us free.

**We can set aside our fears, bless our neighbors, and proclaim, "Come, Lord Jesus," in full confidence of his love. Amen.**

## \*The Peace/Time of Greeting

The grace, love, and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*Please greet your neighbors with, "The peace of Christ be with you." Responding with, "And also with you."*

Greetings from Susan Nienaber

## ◆ Word of God

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### Preparation for Hearing the Word

Freedom Is Coming traditional South African freedom song

Combined Choirs

### Old Testament Reading

Psalms 97

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

OT Bible, pg. 551

### Instrumental Response

Gloria in Excelsis (Glory to God in the Highest) by W.A. Mozart

Brass Ensemble

### Children's Message

### Congregational Song

Soon and Very Soon green, #106

*Parents who would like to have their children participate in Children's Time in the Castle Room are welcome to accompany their children to the East Wing during the singing of the Congregational Song.*

### New Testament Reading

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

NT Bible, pg. 260

### Choral Response

Hope for Resolution setting by Paul Caldwell + Sean Ivory

*Thula sizwe, ungabokhala,*

*uJehovah wakho uzokunqobela.*

*Inkululeko, sizoyithola,*

*uJehovah wakho uzokunqobela.*

Nation, do not cry.

Jehovah will protect us.

We will attain freedom.

Jehovah will protect us.

*-South African freedom song*

Combined Choirs

### Message

Hopeful Expectation Rev. Bob David

## ◆ Offering Ourselves for God's Purpose

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### Worship in Tithes and Offerings

*If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.*

### Offertory

Canticle of Hope by Cynthia Dobrinski

kingsringers

### Prayers of the People + 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;**

**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**