

# *Sixth Sunday of Easter*



May 17, 2020

## **THE GATHERING**

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

**PASTORAL WELCOME**

**OPENING SONG: "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"**

**VERSE:** Lord, I lift your name on high;  
Lord, I love to sing your praises.  
I'm so glad you're in my life;  
I'm so glad you came to save us.

**CHORUS:**  
**You came from heaven to earth to show the way,  
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;  
From the cross to the grave,  
From the grave to the sky;  
Lord I lift your name on high.**

**VERSE**  
**CHORUS 2X**

Lord I lift your name on high.

## **THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

**P:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: BUT IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, GOD, WHO IS FAITHFUL AND JUST, WILL FORGIVE OUR SINS AND CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.**

(silence for personal self examination)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. By what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as our selves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the Glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**THE ABSOLUTION** (spoken by Pastor)

**THE HYMN OF PRAISE: “This is the Feast”**

**Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain.  
Whose blood set us free to be people of God. **Refrain**

Power, riches, wisdom and strength,  
And honor, blessing and glory are His. **Refrain**

Sing with all the people of God,  
And join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing, honor, glory and might  
Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. **Refrain**

For the Lamb who was slain  
Has begun His reign. Alleluia.

**This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu—ia!**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

**P: Let us pray together... Lord, because you have promised to give what we ask in the name of your only-begotten Son, teach us rightly to pray and with all your saints to offer you our adoration and praise; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **THE WORD**

### **CHILDRENS MESSAGE**

#### **A LESSON: 1 Peter 3:13-22**

Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened.” But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. For it is better, if it is God’s will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God’s right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

**VERSE: Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.**

**C: Glory to you, O Lord** (*spoken*)

**GOSPEL READING: John 14:15-21 Video**

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ** (*spoken*)

**THE SERMON****“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”** (LSB 575)

My hope is built on nothing less  
 Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
 No merit of my own I claim  
 But wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
 On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
 All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face,  
 I rest on his unchanging grace;  
 In every high and stormy gale  
 My anchor holds within the veil.  
 On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
 All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood  
 Sustain me in the raging flood;  
 When all supports are washed away,  
 He then is all my hope and stay.  
 On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
 All other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,  
 Oh, may I then in him be found,  
 Clothed in his righteousness alone,  
 Redeemed to stand before the throne!  
 On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
 All other ground is sinking sand.

**THE CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE PRAYERS:**

**P:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

**P:** Into your hands.....Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** AMEN

**Music Interlude** (as Pastor prepares the table)

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION****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, forever and ever. Amen.

**THE PEACE:**

**L:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: AND ALSO WITH YOU!**

**A BLESSING**

**“Lamb of God”**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
 Have mercy on us, mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
 Have mercy on us, mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
 Grant us peace. Grant us peace.

**THE DISTRIBUTION**

**SONG: “Lift High the Cross”** (LW 311)

**Refrain:        Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
                   till all the world adore his sacred name.**

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,  
 the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. **Refrain**

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
 the hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine. **Refrain**

All newborn servants of the Crucified  
 bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died. **Refrain**

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
 your death has brought us life eternally. **Refrain**

So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
 praise to the Crucified for victory! **Refrain**

**POST-SERVICE MUSIC**

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**Next Sunday**, May 24 Feast of the Lord’s Ascension

May 31 Feast of Pentecost wear red!

Please join us again next Sunday at 8:30, 9:45 or 11:00 am on Facebook Live or view us [bslc.freeonlinechurch.com](http://bslc.freeonlinechurch.com).

## Today at BSLC

**Today's Worship Helpers.** *Sign up sheet available on counter in hall*

	8:30 am	9:45 am	11:00 am
Communion Assistants	Scott Eggleston	Janet Pauley	Adam Bok
AV	Julie C		
Usher	Gorden Ratliff		
Greeter			
Sanitize Team	Cathy Albea		

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Nick Fein (5/17), Tim Edick (5/18), Laura Keller (5/18), Pam Rankey (5/19), Landon Rinker (5/19), Adam Lorenzo (5/20), Debbie Milligan (5/21), David Beachy (5/22), Josie Imholz (5/22) and Nathan Manion (5/22)

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Keith and Brooke Rady (5/18), Don and Sue Doepping (5/21), Paul and Debbie Adam (5/22), Nathan and Elissa Manion (5/23) and Dennis and Nelda McCoy (5/23)

**BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY:** Mary Sue Hoellrich (5/21), Kenneth Owings (5/21) and Emerson Frey (5/22)

We will continue to fellowship through zoom video conferencing. Several opportunities are being made possible to connect through small groups.

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These emails will have the most up to date announcements. You can also find updates on the church app (through CHURCH ON) and on the church website (www.BSLCOH.ORG)



Please let the office know if you have a graduate this year. We would like to recognize them soon. Email Laura at [admin@bslcoh.org](mailto:admin@bslcoh.org) with the information - name, address, graduate from and future plans if known.