

**Order of Worship
for
The Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023**

SONG
“Build Your Church into My Heart”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*On this Sunday we gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.*

Amen!

The peace of the Lord be with you always!
And also with you!

KYRIE SONG
“Manson Builder”

PRAYER

*Almighty God, Your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us Your
grace and Your Spirit to follow His commandments and to share His risen life with
all the world, for Christ lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever. Amen.*

HYMN
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
ELW 855

READING

1st Peter 2:2-10

**The lesson is from the first letter of Peter,
chapter two, verses two through ten.**

Peter writes:

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴ Come to Him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame."

⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸ and "A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

**The Gospel reading is from John,
chapter fourteen, verses one through fourteen.**

Jesus proclaims:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me. ² In My Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to

Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. ⁷ If you know Me, you will know My Father also. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him."

⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know Me? Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own, but the Father who dwells in Me does His works. ¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in Me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in My Name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in My Name you ask Me for anything, I will do it."

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

"Living Stones"

Rev. David Hewitt

What is a cornerstone? Why does Peter call us "living stones"? Let's join the kids as they learn from Pastor David!

MESSAGE

"Buildings and Foundations"

Rev. David Hewitt

What does it mean for a Christian to be built into God's House? Let's explore this with Pastor David!

SONG

"Cornerstone"

OUR CONFESSION AND GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sins together to God, our Creator and Redeemer.

Gracious Lord, we are so grateful that we are loved by You, with an unconditional love. It is in that spirit that we come to You and confess our sins. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have at times neglected Your Word. We ask for Your forgiveness, knowing, because of our faith in You, that we always have it, secure in the grace by which we are saved. Amen.

As a called and ordained minister of Word and Sacrament and by God's authority, I therefore declare to You the forgiveness of Your sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ has covered all our sins by His atoning death on the cross; let us therefore be inspired by Christ to do God's will by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Celebrate with us, as Henry Towle and Adreena Baldwin receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism!

BAPTISMAL SONG

"Child of God"

Today we receive these children of God as part of our Christian community. We praise these gifts of new life! We welcome you both into the Lord's family, and we promise to pray for you, help you, and show our love for you in the years to come.

OFFERING

Your offerings are more than just money to keep the lights turned on. Your gifts help to sustain and expand all of our ministries here at King of Glory, including those which provide direct assistance to those in our community who are in need. We are grateful for all of the gifts we receive, and we strive to be good stewards of the resources you provide to us.

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HYMN

“We Are an Offering”

ELW 692

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

During this time, we pray for all those who need God’s blessings, and praise Him for the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

During the prayers, there will be a time of silence, when we offer our personal prayers to God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We prepare to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, by remembering the words and actions of Jesus during the Last Supper.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven
hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are Yours
now and forever.
Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

***For those worshipping in-house,
we invite you to come forward if you wish.
If you prefer to take communion at your seat,
you may do so.***

***For those joining us online,
if you are able,
we invite you to take communion where you are,
using any kind of bread and either wine or grape juice
so that you may receive the body and blood of our Lord and Savior,
Jesus the Christ.***

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

***Now, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in His grace and
peace, now and forever. Amen!***

HYMN

**"I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"
ELW 619**

BENEDICTION

*May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you God's peace; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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