

## Easter 05

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### Celebrate (Introduction)

*“As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today’s gospel includes Jesus’ promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father’s house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus’ mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ – our way, our truth, our life.”*

Opening Hymn: [ELW 557 – Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun](#)

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise: [ELW 820 – O Savior, Precious Savior](#)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: [Acts 7:55-60](#)

Psalmody: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

### To the leader. A Psalm of David.

<sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;  
do not let me ever be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.

<sup>2</sup> Incline your ear to me;  
rescue me speedily.

Be a rock of refuge for me,  
a strong fortress to save me.

<sup>3</sup> You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name’s sake lead me and guide me;

<sup>4</sup> take me out of the net that is hidden for me,  
for you are my refuge.

<sup>5</sup> Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

<sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand;  
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

<sup>16</sup> Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** [1 Peter 2:2-10](#)

**The Gospel:** [John 14:1-14](#)

**Hymn:** [ELW 592 – Just As I Am, without One Plea](#)

**The Message:** [\(Sermon Audio Link\)](#)

**Offering\*:** [\(On-Line giving Link\)](#)

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

### **The Prayer**

We pray for all who need your comforting and healing presence especially: Heidi Brackbill, Parker Brennan, Karen Dye, the Elshafei family, Alexis Erdman, Samantha Erdman, the Fleming family, Jeff Fultz, Mary Goehring, Angela Hayes, Mark Hughes, the Johnson family, Faith Jolly, Robert Karner, Mary Kissh, Charles Larsen, Charlotte Leer, the McNamara family, Donna Mayhew, Wendy Neumann, Julie Obie, Peter Olsen, Brenda Penyak, Dottie Reitz, Robert Reitz, Colin Shea, Jerry Shea, Jack Smith, the Spiegler family, Esther Trautwein, Pastor Jack, and the family of Ruth Sutor.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

### **The Lord's Prayer**

#### **The Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine upon you;  
The Lord lift up His presence upon you and give you peace. Amen

And now my brothers and sisters  
Live on knowing God's love,  
The joy of living this life of love,  
And the peace which only comes through the power of His presence within you.  
So live on in Love, Joy, Peace, and Power.

**Closing Hymn:** [ELW 596 – My Hope is Built on Nothing Less](#)

## Announcements

- **Ruth Sutor – Celebration of Life** – Friday, 5/19/2023 from 2-4 pm at Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, Parish Hall, 5603 North Charles St, Baltimore, MD 21210

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