

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year C

ENTRANCE HYMN

1. Come, praise the Lord, the almighty,
the King of all nations!
Tell forth his fame, O ye peoples
with loud acclamations!
His love is sure;
faithful his word shall endure,
steadfast through all generations!
2. Praise to the Father most gracious,
the Lord of creation!
Praise to his Son, the Redeemer
who wrought our salvation!
O heav'nly Dove,
Praise to thee, fruit of their Love.
Giver of all consolation!



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostle 15:1-2. 22-29
*It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves
not to saddle you with any burden beyond these
essentials.*

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas,

both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. R) v. 4

**R. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

1. O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
2. Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. (R.)
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
21:10-14. 22-23
He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the

twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn. 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
14:23-29

The Holy Spirit will remind you of all I have said to you.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him
and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:
it is the word of the one who sent me.
I have said these things to you
while still with you;
but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you,
my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
(All bow)

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;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead,



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

OFFERTORY HYMN

We offer you, O Lord Divine
Our humble gifts of bread and wine
We place them on your altar, Lord today
Make them worthy of your love
Send your blessings from above
Sanctify these gifts, O Lord we pray

*O take our hearts, take our minds
Take all we have make them Thine, O Lord
Take all we have, O Lord.*

COMMUNION HYMNS

1. The Spirit lives to set us free
walk, walk in the light.
He binds us all in unity,
walk, walk in the light.
Walk in the light, (3)
walk in the light of the Lord.
2. Jesus promised life to all.
The dead were wakened by his call.
3. He died in pain on Calvary
to save the lost like you and me.
4. We know his death was not the end
He gave his Spirit to be our friend.
5. By Jesus's love our wounds are healed
The Father's kindness is revealed.
6. The Spirit lives in you and me.
His light will shine for all to see.

1. **Cause me to come to your river, O Lord (3)**
Cause me to come, cause me to drink,
cause me to live.
2. **Speak, Lord, your word, I am listening to you (3)**
Speak to my mind, speak to my will,
speak to my heart.
3. **Feed me, O Lord, with your body and blood (3)**
Strengthen my mind, strengthen my will,
strengthen my heart.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*You shall go out with joy and be led forth with
peace,
The mountains and the hills will break forth before
you.
There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the
field
Will clap, will clap their hands.*

1. And all the trees of the field will clap their
hands (3)
(while you go out with joy!)
2. And all the birds of the sky will chirp and
sing (3)