

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 17, 2020

The **HYMNS** and **SUNG RESPONSES** are in **The Lutheran Hymnal** (Red Book), unless indicated otherwise. Please **stand** at the **appropriate times**.

THE WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN NO. 409 - "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"
(Please stand to sing stanza 4)

THE INVOCATION (page 15)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.
C: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
C: **Who made heaven and earth.**
P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
C: **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**
C: **O Almighty God, Merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.
C: Amen.

THE INTROIT (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

P: Your word is a lamp / to my feet*
and a light / to my path.

C: Forever, O / LORD, Your word*
is firmly fixed / in the heavens.

P: Your faithfulness endures to all gener- / ations;*
You have established the earth, and it / stands fast.

C: By Your appointment they / stand this day,*
for all things are Your / servants.

P: If Your law had not been / my delight,*
I would have perished in my af- / fliction.

C: I will never forget Your / precepts,*
for by them You have giv- / en me life.

THE GLORIA PATRI (pages 16-19)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee,
we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great
glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord,
the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of
the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT (page 19)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray. O God, the Giver of all that is good, by Thy holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Thy merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with the Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: Amen. (Be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Acts 17:16-31

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

P: Christ has risen / from the dead.*

God the Father has crowned Him with glory and / honor.

C: He has given Him dominion over the works / of His hands;*
He has put all things un- / der His feet.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 3:13-22

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

THE GOSPEL ACCOUNT: John 14:15-21

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen. (Be seated after making confession of our faith)

THE SERMON HYMN NO. 413 - "I Walk in Danger All the Way"
(Please stand to sing stanza 6)

THE SERMON

(Stand)

THE OFFERTORY (Stand)

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence;
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition the pastor will say "Lord, in Your mercy."
Congregation to respond with "Hear our prayer."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COLLECT FOR THE CHURCH

P: Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, unto Thy Church Thy Holy Spirit and the wisdom which cometh down from above, that Thy Word, as becometh it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve Thee and in the confession of Thy name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.
The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen. (Be seated)


THE CLOSING HYMN NO. 410 - "Jesus, Lead Thou On"

John 11: 16


Lasset uns mit Jesu ziehen
 Sigismund von Birken, 1653
 Tr., J. Adam Rimbach, 1900

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Lasset uns mit Jesu ziehen
 Georg G. Boltze, 1788




1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex - am - ple pure,
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, To His im - age e'er con - form;
 3 Let us al - so die with Je - sus. His death from the sec - ond death,
 4 Let us glad - ly live with Je - sus; Since He's ris - en from the dead,



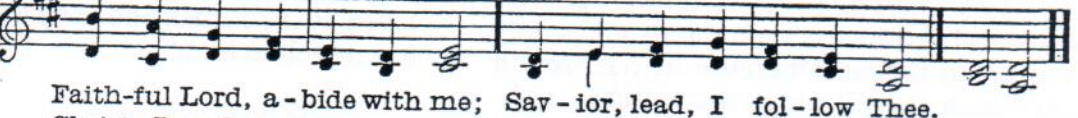
Flee the world, which would deceive us And to sin our souls al - lure.
 Heav - en's glo - ry soon will please us, Sun - shine fol - low on the storm.
 From our soul's de - struc - tion, frees us, Quick - ens us with life's glad breath.
 Death and grave must soon re - lease us. Je - sus, Thou art now our Head,



Ev - er in His foot - steps tread - ing, Bod - y here, yet soul a - bove,
 Tho' we sow in tears of sor - row, We shall reap in heav'n - ly joy;
 Let us mor - ti - fy, while liv - ing, Flesh and blood and die to sin;
 We are tru - ly Thine own mem - bers; Where Thou liv - est, there live we.



Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding.
 And the fears that now an - noy Shall be laugh - ter on the mor - row.
 And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en.
 Take and own us con - stant - ly, Faith - ful Friend, as Thy dear breth - ren.



Faith - ful Lord, a - bide with me; Sav - ior, lead, I fol - low Thee.
 Christ, I suf - fer here with Thee; There, oh, share Thy joy with me!
 Je - sus, here I die to Thee There to live e - ter - nal - ly.
 Je - sus, here I live to Thee, Al - so there e - ter - nal - ly. A - men.

First Reading: Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

"In him we live and move and have our being";

as even some of your own poets have said,

"For we are indeed his offspring."

²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in right-

eousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

Holy Gospel: John 14:15-21

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."



About the Cover: Jesus has extended His loving arms for us on the cross, and now the living Jesus extends them to draw us close to Him. Because we are loved by the Father through Jesus, it is natural that

I Walk in Danger All the Way

1 Pet. 5: 8

Jeg gaar i Fare, hvor jeg gaar

Hans A. Brorson, 1794

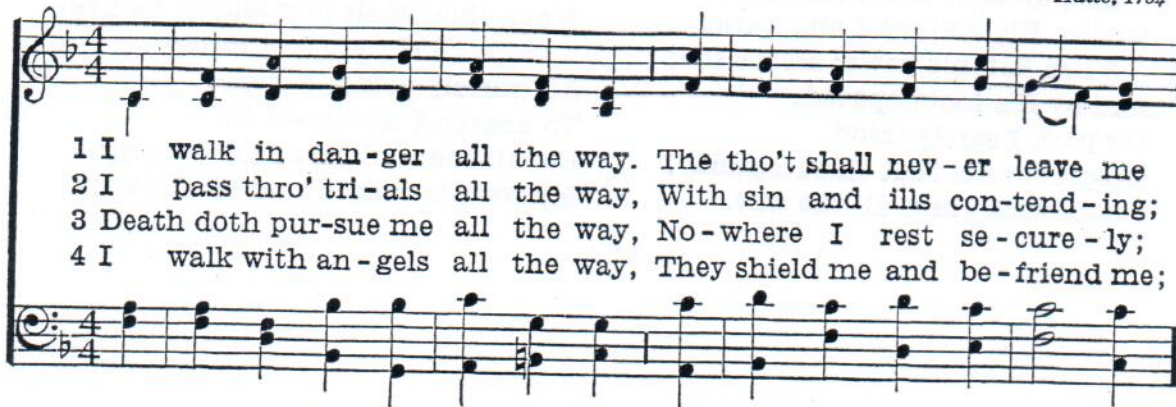
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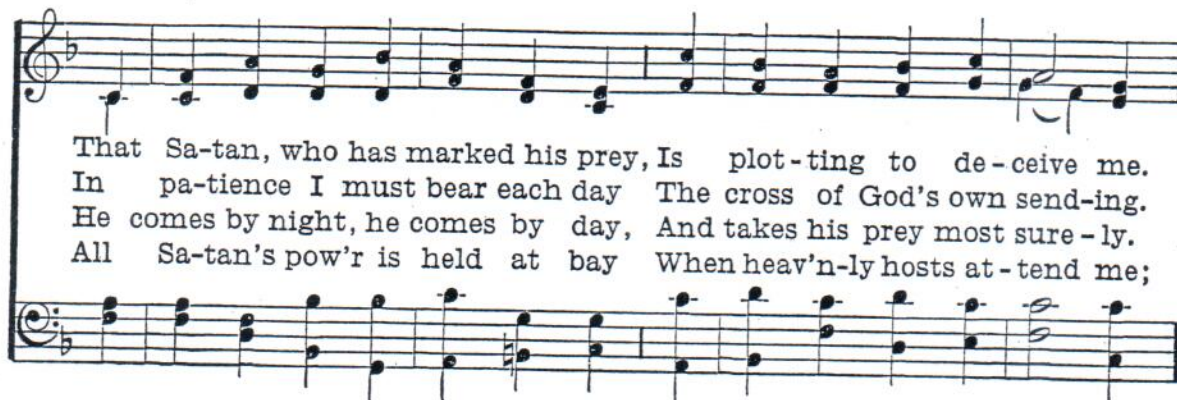
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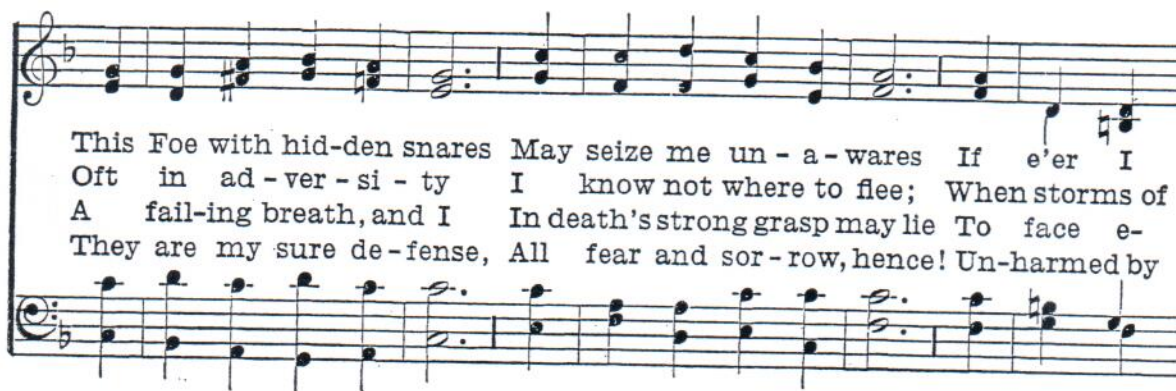
Halle, 1704



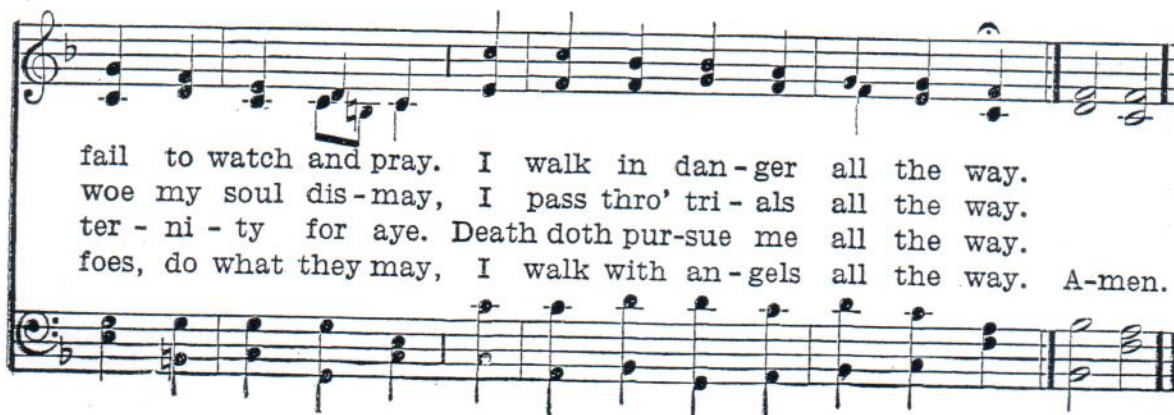
1 I walk in dan-ger all the way. The tho't shall nev-er leave me
 2 I pass thro' tri-als all the way, With sin and ills con-tend-ing;
 3 Death doth pur-sue me all the way, No-where I rest se-cre-ly;
 4 I walk with an-gels all the way, They shield me and be-friend me;



That Sa-tan, who has marked his prey, Is plot-ting to de-ceive me.
 In pa-tience I must bear each day The cross of God's own send-ing.
 He comes by night, he comes by day, And takes his prey most sure-ly.
 All Sa-tan's pow'r is held at bay When heav'n-ly hosts at-tend me;



This Foe with hid-den snares May seize me un-a-ware If e'er I
 Oft in ad-ver-si-ty I know not where to flee; When storms of
 A fail-ing breath, and I In death's strong grasp may lie To face e-
 They are my sure de-fense, All fear and sor-row, hence! Un-harmed by



fail to watch and pray. I walk in dan-ger all the way.
 woe my soul dis-may, I pass thro' tri-als all the way.
 ter-ni-ty for aye. Death doth pur-sue me all the way.
 foes, do what they may, I walk with an-gels all the way. A-men.

If Walk in Danger All the Way

5 I walk with Jesus all the way,
His guidance never fails me;
Within His wounds I find a stay
When Satan's power assails me;
And by His footsteps led,
My path I safely tread.
In spite of ills that threaten may,
I walk with Jesus all the way.

6 My walk is heavenward all the way;
Await, my soul, the morrow,
When thou shalt find release for aye
From all thy sin and sorrow.
All worldly pomp, begone!
To heaven I now press on.
For all the world I would not stay;
My walk is heavenward all the way.

Jesus, Lead Thou On

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Luke 5 : 11

Jesu, geh voran

Ludwig von Zinzendorf, 1721

Cento by Christian Gregor, 1778

Tr., Jane Borthwick, 1854, alt.

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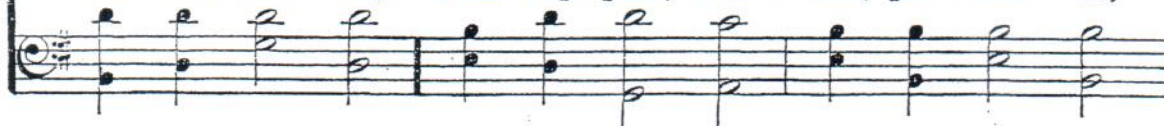
Adam Drese, 1697



1 Je - sus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won; And al-though the
2 If the way be drear, If the Foe be near, Let not faith-less
3 When we seek re - lief From a long-felt grief; When temp-ta-tions
4 Je - sus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won. Heav'n-ly Lead-er,



way be cheer-less, We will fol-low calm and fear-less.
fears o'er-take us; Let not faith and hope for-sake us;
come al-lur-ing, Make us pa-tient and en-dur-ing;
still di-rect us, Still sup-port, con-trol, pro-tect us,



Guide us by Thy hand To our fa-ther-land.
For through man-ya woe To our home we go.
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.
Till we safe-ly stand In our fa-ther-land. A-men.

