

TODAY'S LESSONS: THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Acts 11:1-18

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will

be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalms 148

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *
for his Name only is exalted, his
splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his
people and praise for all his loyal
servants, *
the children of Israel, a people
who are near him. Hallelujah!.

Revelation 21:1-6

Reader A reading from the Revelation to St. John.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

John 13:31-35

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

TODAY'S MUSIC

Prelude

Morning has Broken

arr. by José-Daniel Martínez-Miranda

Offertory Anthem

Laudate Dominum

W.A. Mozart


Communion Music

Two Hundred Ninety-Five


Closing Hymn

They'll Know We Are Christians

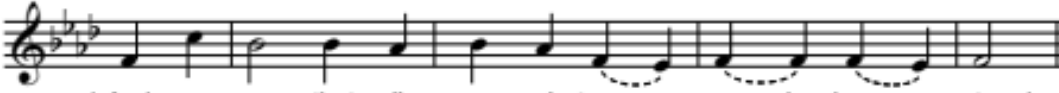
VERSES



1. We are one in the Spir - it, We are one in the Lord,
2. We will walk with each oth - er, We will walk hand in hand,
3. We will work with each oth - er, We will work side by side,
4. All___ praise to the Fa - ther, From___ whom all things come,

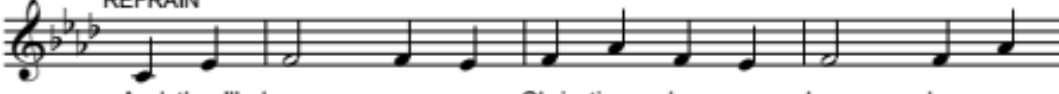


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3. We will work with each oth - er, We will work side by side,
4. And all praise to Christ Je - sus, His___ on - ly___ Son,



1. And we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.
2. And to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
3. And we'll guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save___ each one's pride.
4. And all praise to the Spir - it, who___ makes___ us___ one.

REFRAIN



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our

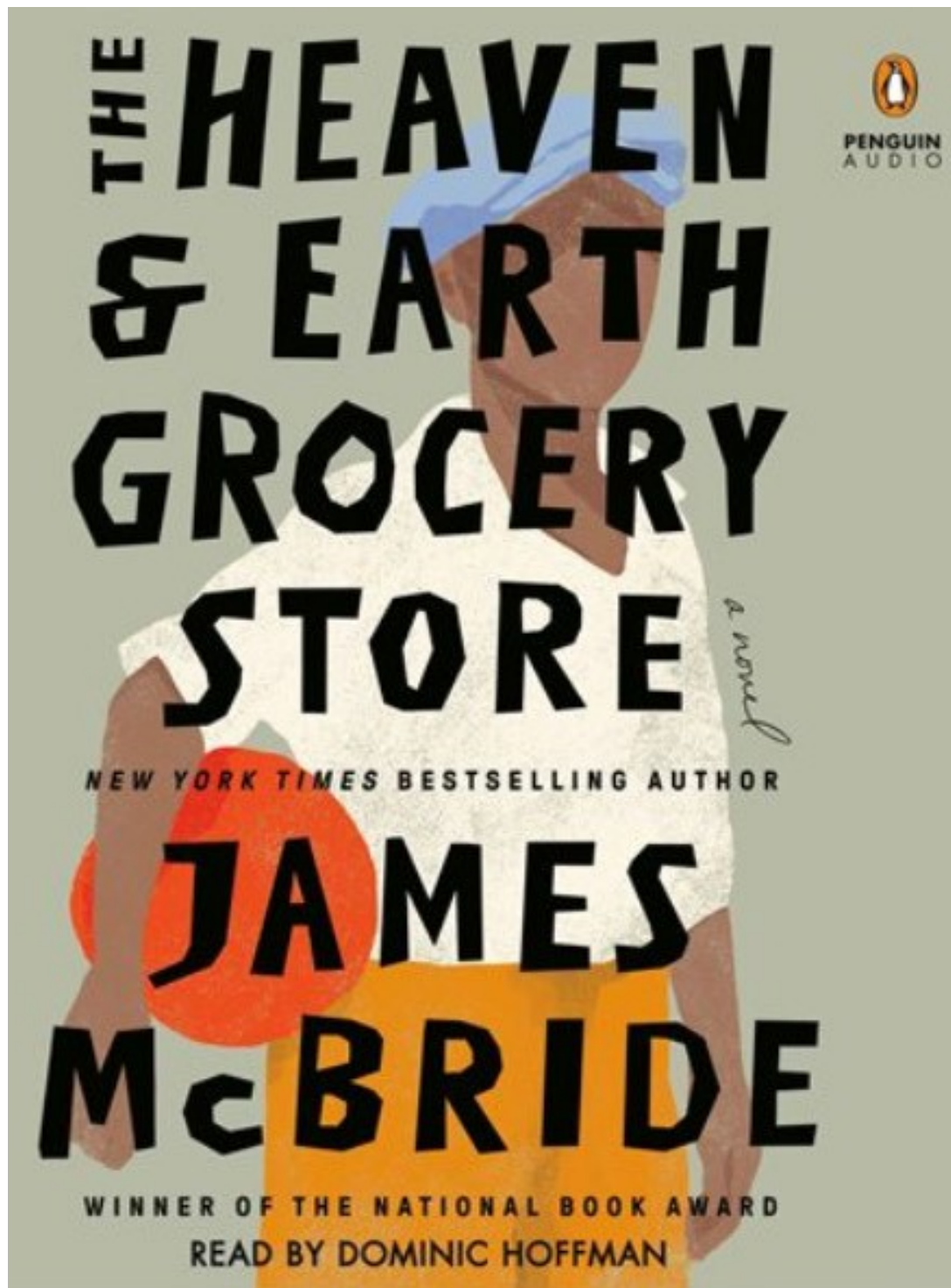


love, Yes they'll know_ we are Chris-tians by our love._____

Postlude

O the deep, deep love of Jesus

arr. by Amy J. Snyder



Budde's Book Club

Our new book club and library commission will meet again on May 31st at 6 p.m. to discuss "Heaven and Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride which we will be reading as part of Jewish American Heritage Month.

We will be meeting in the Christ Episcopal Church library and hope that many of you will be able to join us!

Please pray for

Those in need of healing: Jane (Rose), Tim (Dunn), Connie (Johnson), William (Schulenberg), Cole (Young), Pam (Kerns), Ashley (Newton), Chris & Brooklyn Ann (Kirton), Courtney (Jones), the Jones Family, Stephanie (Robinson), Kelsey (King) & baby, Ida (Davenport), Audrey, Nick (Bell), Pat (Snyder), Gene (Gullett), Jasmine (Poske), Daniel (Britto), Damien (Rideaux), the Collins Family, Pam (Reistad), and Bob (Chapman).

For the churches of Diocese of the Michigan: Trinity Church (St. Clair Shores).

For the churches of our companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic: St. Peter's (Los Conucos).

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CALENDAR

Worship Schedule:

Wednesday Healing Service

5:30pm, Chapel

Sunday Holy Eucharist

8am, Chapel

10am, Church

Noon, Mother of the Savior, Church

Recurring Weekly Classes/ Meetings

AA, Room 14:

Thursday, 11:30am

Thursday, 6:30pm

Saturday, 1pm

ACOA, Room 14:

Wednesday, 6:30pm

Arabic Saturday School, Room 19:

Saturday, 10am

Bible Study, Lounge:

Wednesday, 6pm

Bible Study in Arabic, Library:

Friday, 5:30pm

Blessings in a Backpack Packing:

Friday, 3:30pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall:

Tuesday, 7pm

Bridge, Lounge:

Wednesday, 1pm

Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room:

Sunday, 11:30am

Grace Church Bible Study, Lounge:

Tuesday, 9pm

Martial Arts, Fellowship Hall:

Sunday, 2pm,

Wednesday, 7pm

2nd & 4th Thursday 6:30pm

Mother of the Savior Youth Bible

Study and Arabic Class:

Saturday, 3pm

Sonneman Voice & Piano,

Choir Room:

Tuesday and Thursday, 3pm-9pm

Saturday, 10am-4pm

Stretching, Fellowship Hall:

2nd & 4th Saturday, 10:30am