



Diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney's Lent Course 2024

THE WAY TO THE CROSS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Sixth Week of Easter *5 May - 11 May*

Acts 10:44-48

1 John 5:1-6

Psalm 98

John 15:9-17

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Collect for the
Sixth Sunday of
Easter

Almighty God, your
Son Jesus Christ is
the way, the truth,
and the life. Give us
grace to love one
another and walk
in the way of his
commandments,
who lives and
reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for
ever.
Amen.

Psalm 98

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the
nations.
4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of
Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?



Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.”

John 15.9

WEEKLY PATTERN

John 15:9-17

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.



The Lord has
made known
his victory in
the sight of
the nations.

*Refrain for
Psalm 98*

God be in my
head, and in my
understanding;
God be in my
eyes, and in my
looking;
God be in my
mouth, and in my
speaking;
God be in my
heart, and in my
thinking;
God be at mine
end, and at my
departing.

*Prayer from the
Sarum Primer*