# Welcome to Worship May 12th, 2024

<u>Prelude</u> Hyfrydol ~ R. Vaughan Williams

Gathering Hymn Alleluia! Sing to Jesus ~ ELW 392 (vs. 1-3, 5)

## Prayer of the Day

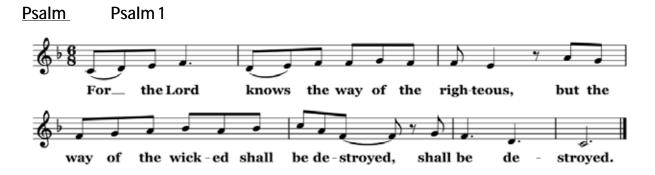
Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## First Reading Acts 1: 1-14

Before he is lifted into heaven, Jesus promises that the missionary work of the disciples will spread out from Jerusalem to all the world, and that the disciples will be accompanied and empowered by the Holy Spirit. His words provide an outline of the book of Acts.

Word of God. Word of life

Thanks be to God



# Cantors sing refrain

# Congregation sings refrain

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,

nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>Their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

#### Refrain

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither:

everything they do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>It is not so with the wicked:

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

#### Refrain

Gospel John 17:6-19

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

[Jesus prayed:] "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.

Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

Hymn of the Day Son of God, Eternal Savior ~ ELW 655

Musical Offering A Song of Celebration ~ Brenda E. Austin (Hallelujah Ringers)

Offertory Hymn We Eat the Bread of Teaching ~ ELW 518 (refrain only)

<u>Communion Hymn</u> May This Church Be Like A Tree ~ ACS 1042

Sending Hymn Thine The Amen ~ ELW 826

<u>Postlude</u> In Babilone ~ arr. Michael Lindsey