



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Week of May 3, 2026

Collect for the Week: O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Holy Gospel: John 14:1-14

Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 17:16-31; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

Hymn for the week: "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" LSB 633

Notes on the Sermon: _____

Trinity Reads the Bible in 2026: (Psalms in parentheses may be read in the evening.)

May 3	(5 th Sun. of Easter)	Lev. 20:1-16, 22-27	Luke 11:37-54	Ps. 93 (136; 117)
May 4		Leviticus 21:1-24	Luke 12:1-12	Ps. 97 (124; 115)
May 5		Leviticus 23:1-22	Luke 12:13-34	Ps. 98 (66; 116)
May 6		Leviticus 23:23-44	Luke 12:35-53	Ps. 99 (8; 119)
May 7		Leviticus 24:1-23	Luke 12:54—13:17	Ps. 47 (68; 113)
May 8		Leviticus 26:1-20	Luke 13:18-35	Ps. 96 (50; 138)
May 9		Leviticus 26:21-33, 39-44	Luke 14:1-24	Ps. 92 (23; 114)

NEXT Week's Readings

May 10 (6 th Sun. of Easter)	Num. 3:1-16, 39-48	Lk. 14:25—15:10	Ps. 93 (136; 117)
May 11	Numbers 8:5-26	Luke 15:11-32	Ps. 97 (124; 115)
May 12	Numbers 9:1-23	Luke 16:1-18	Ps. 98 (66; 116)
May 13	Numbers 10:11-36	Luke 16:19-31	Ps. 99 (8; 119)
May 14 <i>Ascension</i>	Num. 11:1-23, 31-35	Luke 17:1-19	Ps. 47 (68; 113)
May 15	Num. 11:24-29; 12:1-16	Luke 17:20-37	Ps. 96 (50; 138)
May 16	Num. 13:1-3, 17-33	Luke 18:1-17	Ps. 92 (23; 114)



for home devotions &
personal meditation

From the First Reading

Lord Jesus, receive my spirit... Lord, do not hold this sin against them.
Acts 7:59, 60

Applying God's Word to our lives: The Holy Spirit (see Acts 7:55) empowered dying Stephen to commend himself to Jesus and also to pray for his enemies. The Holy Spirit empowers us to do the same.

From the Epistle

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. *1 Peter 2:7*

Applying God's Word to our lives: God has the final say in all things. Although human beings rejected Jesus as Messiah, nevertheless at Easter God affirmed Jesus as Messiah and Savior and Lord. The Church—including you—stands secure upon Christ the cornerstone.

From the Holy Gospel

I go to prepare a place for you. *John 14:2*

Applying God's Word to our lives: How did Jesus prepare a place for us in His Father's house? By being obedient to His mission to be rejected by men yet on that very cross of execution to reconcile all people to God by His atoning death. Jesus' sacrifice on the cross has won forgiveness, preparing a place for you in the mansions of the Father.