

Hero
PART 5 (July 5)
"Spiderman" (Joseph)

Pastor Welcome & Announcements

Sharing the Peace

Pledges to the Flags

American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again; with life and liberty to all who believe.

Invocation Prayer

Call to Worship

Pastor: Come and witness the profound mystery of God's providence, who weaves the tangled threads of our lives into a masterpiece.

People: What human forces intend for evil, God takes and transforms into an incredible, life-saving purpose!

Pastor: He does not rescue us from ordinary life just to let us sit idle; He taps us on the shoulder and gives us responsibility.

People: He fills us with the power of the Holy Spirit, sending us out to be agents of grace, healing, and reconciliation.

Pastor: Do not run from the weight of your calling or grow weary in the place where God has intentionally planted you.

People: Let us worship the Savior who guides every single step and uses our lives to establish His Kingdom on earth!

Pastor: Jesus is more than a hero, but our Savior!

People: Showing us the way to live a life of truth, grace, and the Christ-centered way!

Hymn

"Praise like Fireworks" – Rend Collective (video)

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Sovereign Lord, You weave together the broken pieces of our lives to serve Your grand design.

People: When we carry the heavy weight of responsibility or endure the sting of unfair trials, open our eyes to see Your hand at work.

Pastor: Give us the grace to forgive, the capacity to love, and the strength to fulfill our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: "If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." (Jn 8:36) Amen.

Readings

Old Testament: Genesis 45:1-15

¹Then Joseph could not control himself before all those who stood by him. He cried, "Make everyone go out from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ²And he wept aloud, so that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. ³And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. ⁴So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' ¹²And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ¹³You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." ¹⁴Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:7-12

⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in

the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Gospel: Luke 12:42-48

⁴²And the Lord said, "Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time? ⁴³Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. ⁴⁴Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. ⁴⁵But if that servant says to himself, 'My master is delayed in coming,' and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and get drunk, ⁴⁶the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. ⁴⁷And that servant who knew his master's will but did not get ready or act according to his will, will receive a severe beating. ⁴⁸But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more."

Creed: Nicene

Nicene Creed 1st Sunday, Apostles Creed other weeks

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“Mighty to Save” – Worship Together (video)

Message**Offering**

“Seek Ye First” – LSB712

Commissioning – Feed My Lambs

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer**Confession/Absolution****Words of Institution & Communion**

“My Savior, My God” – Aaron Shust (video)

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” – LSB711:1-3

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” – LSB702

Prayer of Thanks**Next Steps & Sending****Closing Hymn/Song**

“Our God is Love” – Hillsong (video)

Sending

P: Go in peace to love & serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. Amen.