



## **SATURDAY** **MAY 16**

EASTER WEEKDAY

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*(Colossians 2:12)*

You have been buried with Christ in Baptism, through which you also rose again by faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead, alleluia.

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### **COLLECT**

Almighty and eternal God,  
who through the  
regenerating power of  
Baptism  
have been pleased to confer  
on us heavenly life,  
grant, we pray,  
that those you render capable  
of immortality  
by justifying them  
may by your guidance  
attain the fullness of glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus  
Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with  
you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

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### **READING** *(Acts 16:1-10)*

Paul reached also Derbe and Lystra where there was a disciple named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek. The brothers in Lystra and Iconium spoke highly of him, and Paul wanted him to come along with him. On account of the Jews of that region, Paul had him circumcised, for they all knew that his father was a Greek. As they traveled from city to city, they handed on to the people for observance the decisions reached by the Apostles and presbyters in Jerusalem. Day after day the churches grew stronger in faith and increased in number.

They traveled through the Phrygian and Galatian territory because they had been prevented by the Holy Spirit from preaching the message in the province of Asia. When they came to Mysia, they tried to go on into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them, so they crossed through Mysia and came down to Troas. During the night Paul had a vision. A Macedonian stood before him and implored him with these words, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” When he had seen the vision, we sought passage to Macedonia at once, concluding that God had called us to proclaim the Good News to them.

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### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 5)

**R** *Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.* **OR Alleluia.**  
Sing joyfully to the LORD,

all you lands;  
serve the LORD  
with gladness;  
come before him  
with joyful song. **R**  
Know that the LORD is God;  
he made us, his we are;  
his people, the flock  
he tends. **R**  
The LORD is good:  
his kindness  
endures forever,  
and his faithfulness,  
to all generations. **R**

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**ALLELUIA** (*Colossians 3:1*)

**Alleluia, alleluia.** If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

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**GOSPEL** (*John 15:18-21*)

**J**esus said to his disciples: “If the world hates you, realize that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, the world would love

its own; but because you do not belong to the world, and I have chosen you out of the world, the world hates you. Remember the word I spoke to you, ‘No slave is greater than his master.’ If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. And they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know the

one who sent me.”

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#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept in compassion, Lord, we pray, the offerings of your family, that under your protective care they may never lose what they have received, but attain the gifts that are eternal.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### Today's Good News

Some mornings gratitude is easy, isn't it? It is for me at least. Not too much to do, not too many burdens, sun's out, everyone's feeling good. I'm so grateful! But what about those other mornings, mornings that are the beginnings of long, hard days, when the night before has been marked by stress that hasn't abated? Those mornings of soreness, aches, and weakness? The mornings in which the sun might be shining, but it still seems cloudy? Those mornings, grateful prayers and psalms proclaiming the Lord's goodness might not rise so easily to my lips. I might not think even one grateful thought. Which is exactly why the Church orders life around these psalms and why I try to as well. And it's funny how that works. I may not think I'm grateful, but the minute I say the words, I am. **AMY WELBORN**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*(John 17:20-21)*

Father, I pray for them, that they may be one in us, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me, says the Lord, alleluia.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Keep safe, O Lord, we pray,  
those whom you have saved  
by your kindness,  
that, redeemed by the Passion

of your Son,  
they may rejoice in his  
Resurrection.  
Who lives and reigns  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**



**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

Paul felt called to help others in Jesus' name.

● **Who might be calling out for my help?**

*Jesus, today I will...*

« **Imagine yourself always to be the servant of all**, and look upon all as if they were Christ our Lord in person. And thus shall you do him honor and reverence. »

**ST. TERESA OF AVILA**