Readings and Prayers for Sunday May 17, 2020 6th Sunday of Easter

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Readings and Psalm

Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21

Question to ponder: In today's reading Jesus promised for the *paraclete*, which is often translated as the Spirit, advocate, comforter, or helper. *Paraclete* helps us to recognize life (which is God) even in the midst of trouble. Who or what are *paraclete* to you today? How about your community? Nation? World?

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia*. Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. *Alleluia*. (John 14:23)

Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace. As you have promised help us to remember that you are with us in the midst of unknown. Empower us to walk besides the vulnerable ones in our neighborhood. We lift all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

May the life-giving Christ accompany us on our journeys this week. Amen

Hymn

-Love Divine, All Love Excelling (ELW# 631) -Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love (ELW# 708)

Prayer Concerns: Hospice team, those who advocate for the vulnerable

