



# LESSONS FOR LAMBS

## WEEK OF EASTER VII (EXAUDI)

The phrase "Exaudi" is from the Latin language. In English it means "Hear, O Lord." These are the beginning words of the Psalm (also called Introit) this week. Look in your parent's service folder and read the Introit. The color for Eastertide is white.



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### What to listen for during the service?

We hear about all three Persons of the Trinity (Father, Son & Holy Spirit) in the Gospel reading today. Listen to the part of the service that talks about all three Persons. What do we say (confess) about each one?

## Gospel Reading: John 15:26-16:4

*(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)*

26 [Jesus said,] "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

16:1 "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. 2 They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. 3 And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. 4 But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you."

### Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) Who is "the Helper"?
- 2) What will the Helper do?
- 3) What does "bear witness" mean?
- 4) What could the unbelievers do to the disciples if they proclaim the good news about Jesus?
- 5) Which is more important, life in this world or faith in Jesus?

### Word Scramble

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hatfi \_\_\_\_\_  
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## People of the Bible: John

The Gospel reading today is from John. But who was John? John was first a disciple of John the Baptist and then one of the twelve disciples of Jesus. John was the son of Zebedee and the brother of James the Greater, another apostle of Jesus. John was among the first to become one of Jesus' disciples (Matthew 4:18-22) and was very close to Jesus, often referred to as "the disciple whom Jesus loved." He was with Jesus at the Transfiguration and in Gethsemane, along with Peter and James. At the crucifixion we hear that Jesus told John to take care of Mary, the mother of Jesus, as his own mother and he did (John 19:26-27). John also witnessed the piercing of Jesus' side at the crucifixion. John was the author of four other books of the Bible: 1 John, 2 John, 3 John and Revelation.

### Catechism Corner

#### The Lord's Prayer: The 7<sup>th</sup> Petition

But deliver us from evil.

*What does this mean? Answer:*

We pray in this petition, as the sum of all, that our Father in heaven would deliver us from every evil of body and soul, property and honor, and finally, when our last hour has come, grant us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this vale of tears to himself in heaven.

#### Hymn - "I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives"

- 1 I am content! My Jesus ever lives,  
In whom my heart is pleased.  
He has fulfilled the Law of God for me,  
God's wrath He has appeased.  
Since He in death could perish never,  
I also shall not die forever. I am content!
- 2 I am content! My Jesus is my head;  
His member I shall be.  
He bowed His head when on the cross He died  
With cries of agony.  
Now death is brought into subjection  
For me by Jesus' resurrection. I am content!