

**Hymn – “In Thee Is Gladness”**

- 1 In Thee is gladness, Amid all sadness,  
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.  
By Thee are given The gifts of heaven,  
Thou the true Redeemer art.  
Our souls Thou wakest, Our bonds Thou breakest;  
Who trusts Thee surely Has built securely;  
He stands forever: Alleluia!  
Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,  
Dying or living To Thee are cleaving;  
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!
- 2 Since He is ours, We fear no powers,  
Not of earth nor sin nor death.  
He sees and blesses In worst distresses;  
He can change them with a breath.  
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory  
With hearts and voices; All heav’n rejoices  
In Him forever: Alleluia!  
We shout for gladness, Triumph o’er sadness,  
Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him  
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

**Word Scramble**

- egrutseiosnhs \_\_\_\_\_
- maeJs \_\_\_\_\_
- eeHplr \_\_\_\_\_
- eathrF \_\_\_\_\_
- rtthu \_\_\_\_\_
- netCata \_\_\_\_\_
- oetrrhb \_\_\_\_\_

# LESSONS FOR LAMBS

**WEEK OF EASTER V (CANTATE)**

The phrase “Cantate” is from the Latin language. In English it means “Oh, sing.” 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 Easter is white.



**What to listen for during the service?**

Listen for the Offertory in the service. What words do we sing? Who comes to create in us a clean heart and helps us know the truth about the work that Christ has done for us?

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## **Gospel Reading: John 16:5-15**

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

5 But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

### **Questions to talk about with your parents:**

- 1) Who comes to us when Jesus goes away?
- 2) What other name do we use for "the Helper"?
- 3) What will the Helper do to the world when he comes?
- 4) What will the Helper do for the disciples (and therefore for all believers) when he comes?
- 5) How does the Helper guide us into the truth?

### **People of the Bible: James**

The Epistle Reading today was written by James. But who was James? James, the brother of Jesus, was the author of this Epistle. James did not believe the Gospel Jesus preached at first, but later believed all Jesus proclaimed and eventually became a leader of the church. James was the leader of the church in Jerusalem when the disciples of Jesus went on their missionary trips, and we hear about James in

this role in the book of Acts. He is known as the first bishop of Jerusalem. We need to keep in mind that Scripture talks about two other important men named James, different than the brother of Jesus. James, the son of Zebedee, was one of Jesus' disciples. He was the older brother of John (also one of the disciples) and was known as James the Greater. We also hear about James, the son of Alphaeus, another one of Jesus' disciples. He was often called James the Less, because he was younger than the other disciple named James.

### **Catechism Corner**

#### **The Lord's Prayer: The Fifth Petition**

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

*What does this mean? Answer:*

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins, nor on their account deny our prayer; for we are worthy of none of the things for which we pray, neither have we deserved them; but that he would grant them all to us by grace; for we daily sin much and indeed deserve nothing but punishment. So will we also heartily forgive and readily do good to those who sin against us.

#### **Draw a picture of your Pastor**

