SEEKERS CHURCH A Christian Community In the Tradition of Church of the Saviour REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY Easter 2019 The Marks of God

Being in the world and loving one another...exposes us to wounding, to the giving and receiving of pain. Christ's wounds ... underscore the depth of his willingness to enter into our loving in all its hurt and hope and capacity for going horribly wrong. In wearing his wounds—even in his resurrection—he confronts us with our own and calls us to move through them into new life.

Jan Richardson, "Easter 2: The Illuminated Wound" at http://paintedprayerbook.com/2011/04/24/easter-2-the-illuminated-wound/

Where do you experience the marks of God's love?

April 21	May 19
EASTER	Acts 11:1-18
Acts 10:34-43	Psalm 148
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	Revelation 21:1-6
1 Corinthians 15:19-26	John 13:31-35
Luke 24:1-12	

April 28	<u>May 26</u>
Acts 5:27-32	Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 150	Psalm 67
Revelation 1:4-8	Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
John 20:19-31	John 14:23-29

<u>May 5</u>	<u>June 2</u>
Acts 9:1-20	Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 30	Psalm 97
Revelation 5:11-14	Revelation 22:12-14
John 21:1-19	16-17, 20-21
	John 17:20-26

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May 12	<u>June 9</u>
Acts 9:36-43	PENTECOST
Psalm 23	Acts 2:1-21
Revelation 7:9-17	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
John 10:22-30	Romans 8:14-17
	John 14:8-17, 25-27

Readings are available on the Internet at http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/

THE CALL OF SEEKERS CHURCH

Our call is to be a "Seekers community" which comes together in weekly worship rooted in the Biblical faith, with shared leadership; and disperses with a common commitment to understand and implement Christian servanthood in the structures in which we live our lives.

By "Seekers community" we mean an intentional body, which sees Christ as our true life source. Koinonia with one another and genuine self-giving to the world are the ways we can be in Christ today. Seekers are not persons who have arrived, but persons who are intentionally on the way.

By shared leadership we mean empowering the gifts of women and men to help our worship flow out of and feed into the life of the community. We are committed to evoking and giving space to new gifts of preaching, liturgical leadership, creative worship forms, giving, mission and other acts of faith.

For us, Christian servanthood is based on empowering others within the normal structures of our daily lives (work; family and primary relationships; and citizenship) as well as through special structures for service and witness. We desire and welcome participation in Seekers of women and men of every race and sexual orientation. In Seekers Church we will equip and support each other in all of these areas and seek a balance among them.

The Seekers community sees itself called into Christ's ministry of deliverance from bondage to freedom in every personal and corporate expression. We recognize the value of each individual and seek to heal any wounds of discrimination inflicted by our society and church.

Seekers is committed to participation by persons of all ages. We see children, youth and adults of all ages as valuable and valued parts of our community, and desire their inclusion in our care, our ministry, and our life together.

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