


Fifth Sunday of Easter

"I am the good shepherd"




"I am the vine"

"I am the vine, you are the branches"

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"You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them..." (Exodus 20:5)



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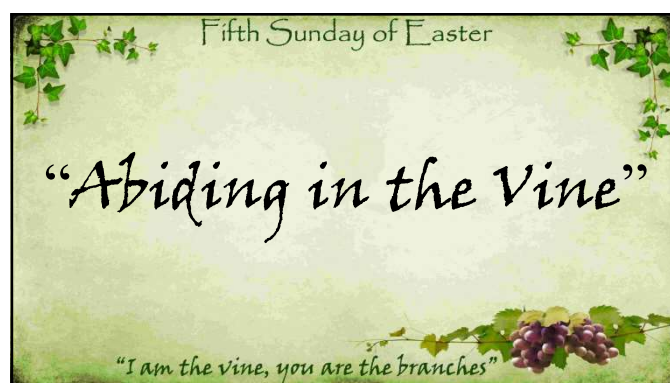
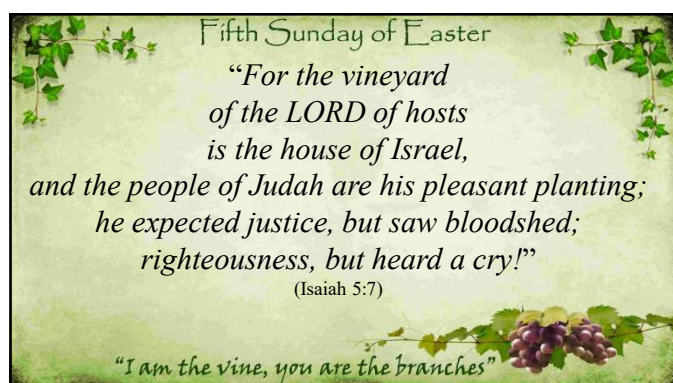
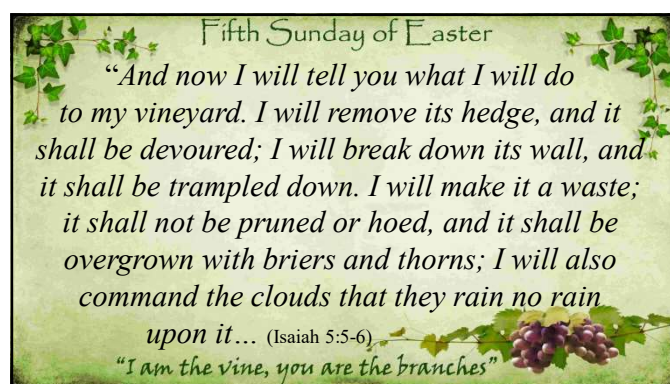
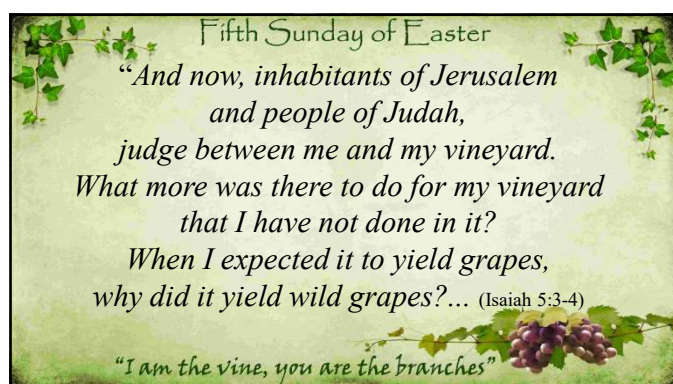
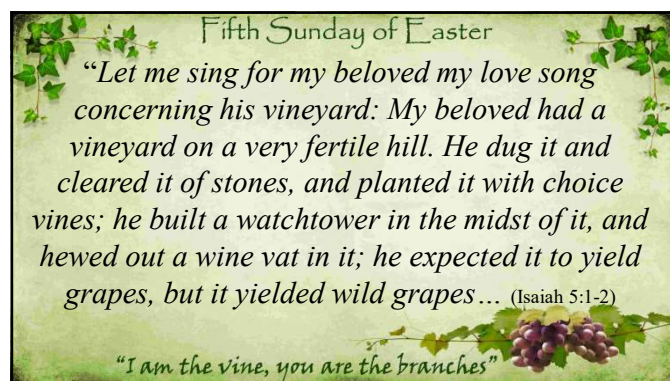
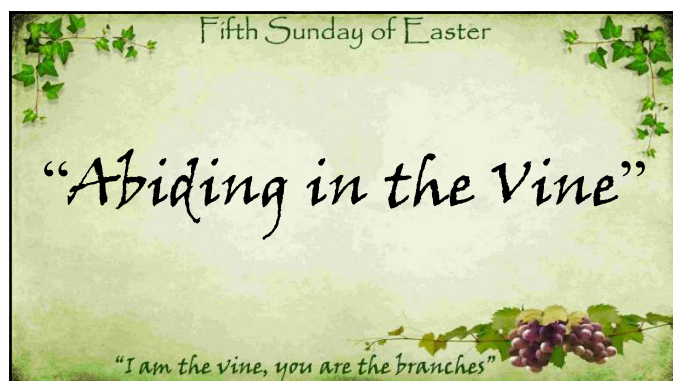
"You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land. The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches; it sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River." (Psalm 80:8-11)

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"Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit? The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it. Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that your right hand planted." (Psalm 80:12-15)

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God is the vine-grower

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"Where there is no vision, the people perish..."



(Proverbs 29:18)

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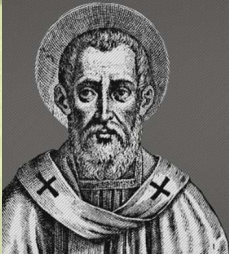
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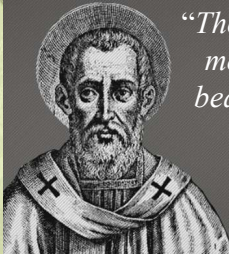


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from *The Martyrdom of Polycarp*,
translated by J.B. Lightfoot

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*"Those who abide in
me and I in them
bear much fruit..."*
(John 15:5b)

"karpos poly"
"Polycarp"

"I am the vine, you are the branches"

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*"My Father is glorified by this,
that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."*
(John 15:8)

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Thou true Vine,
that heals

Hymnal #373
words by Percy Dearmer, 1925
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to an American folk hymn

"I am the vine, you are the branches"

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1a.

Thou true Vine, that heals the nations,
Tree of life, thy branches we.
They who leave thee fade and wither,
none bear fruit except in thee.

"I am the vine, you are the branches"

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1b.

Cleanse us, make us sane and simple,
till we merge our lives in thine,
gain ourselves in thee, the Vintage,
give ourselves through thee, the Vine.

"I am the vine, you are the branches"

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2a.

Nothing can we do without thee;
on thy life depends each one.
If we keep thy words and love thee,
all we ask for shall be done.

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2b.

May we, loving one another,
radiant in thy light abide;
so through us, made fruitful by thee,
shall our God be glorified.

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Closing Prayer

(in unison)

Hymnal #752
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Gracious God,
grant that the words we have heard this day
may be so grafted within our hearts
that they bring forth fruit
to the honor and praise of your name,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.

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Postlude

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