## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



FIRST READING: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

This is a reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Philip went to a city in Samaria to proclaim the Good News of Christ. The people there believed what Philip told them because of the way he preached and the wonderful signs he gave them. He freed people who had evil spirits in them, and he healed many people. All the people were filled with joy because of what Philip said and did.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that the people in Samaria believed in Jesus, they sent Peter and John there to pray that they would also receive the Holy Spirit. The people already had been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus, but when Peter and John laid hands on them and prayed, they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSE: Psalm 96

All the nations will praise you and know that you are God.

## Verses:

- 1. Give God glory. Give honor and praise.
- 2. Proclaim salvation day after day.
- 3. Tell the nations God's wonderful deeds.

(Repeat Response after each Verse.)



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Jesus said, "If you love me, keep my commandments." Alleluia! "Keep my commandments." Alleluia!

(After Gospel, repeat Acclamation.)

GOSPEL: John 14:15-21
This is a reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus said to his disciples,

"If you truly love me, you will keep my commandments.

And I will pray to the Father to send the Spirit of Truth to be with you forever.

I will not leave you alone.

I will come back to you.

Yes, I am going back to the Father now, but you will see me because I am alive.

And because I live, you will live, too.

Anyone who loves me keeps my commandments.

My Father loves everyone who loves me.

And if you love me,

I will show myself to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.