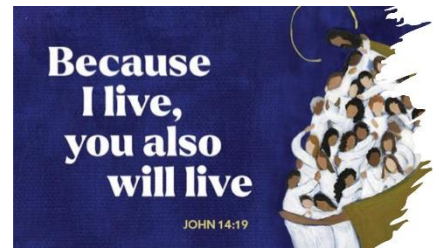


## May 10th, 2026 Lectionary Notes

### The Readings on This Day

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### Sixth Sunday of Easter



Today is the 36th day of Easter. We continue to celebrate the meaning of the resurrection.

#### [Acts 17:22-31](#)

This learned proclamation of the resurrection, beginning with God's creation of the world, assumes a sophisticated, polytheistic society, and it sounds newly applicable to us in the twenty-first century. Christians are called to share in this worldview that culminates in the resurrection.

#### [The Psalm for the Day](#)

After hearing Paul's sermon to the Gentiles, we respond with [Psalm 66:8-20](#). A communal and an individual's song of thanksgiving, the psalm calls all the peoples to bless the God who saves. The ancient Jewish imagery of animal sacrifice (vs. 13-15) corresponds to Paul's location at the Areopagus, nearby the Greco-Roman temples in Athens.

#### [1 Peter 3:13-22](#)

This first-century use of Noah's flood as a metaphor for baptism became commonplace over the centuries in the church. For example, calling the worship space a "nave," or ship, imagined the church as the ark of salvation, and one option for a reading at the Easter Vigil is the Noah legend. Verses 21-22 remind us that the resurrection is proclaimed in many places outside the gospels' narratives of Easter Day.

#### [John 14:15-21](#)

Continuing last Sunday's proclamation of John 14, we hear Jesus promising that he will remain with the community in the person of God the Advocate. The Spirit is on our side, defending us before the divine judge. Jesus is calling us to a life of love.