

O LORD, from whom all good things do come;
Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy
holy inspiration we may think those things that
are good, and by thy merciful guiding may
perform the same; through our Lord Jesus
Christ. *Amen.*

The Lesser Litanies or Rogations, introduced about AD 470 by Bishop Mamertus of Vienne and eventually adopted elsewhere, are the three days (Rogation Monday, Rogation Tuesday and Rogation Wednesday) immediately before Ascension Thursday in the Christian liturgical calendar. The term, most frequently encountered in Roman Catholic and Anglican circles, is rarely used today.

The word "Rogation" comes from the Latin verb rogare, meaning "to ask." The Sunday itself was often called Rogation Sunday as a result, and marked the start of a three-week period (ending on Trinity Sunday), when Roman Catholic and Anglican clergy did not solemnize marriages (two other such periods of marital prohibition also formerly existed, one beginning on the first Sunday in Advent and continuing through the Octave of Epiphany, or 13 January, and the other running from Septuagesima until the Octave of Easter, the Sunday after Easter). In England, Rogation Sunday is called Chestnut Sunday.

The faithful typically observed the Rogation days by fasting in preparation to celebrate the Ascension, and farmers often had their crops blessed by a priest at this time (from Wikipedia)

Cottonwood Community Church

May 25 2014

Fifth Sunday After Easter
Rogation Sunday

Sunday Worship, 10:00 am.

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Welcome

The Collect

Hymn 56: This Is My Father's World

Psalms 10:1-11

- 1 Why do You stand afar off, O LORD? Why do You hide in times of trouble?**
 - 2 The wicked in *his* pride persecutes the poor; Let them be caught in the plots which they have devised.
 - 3 For the wicked boasts of his heart's desire; He blesses the greedy *and* renounces the LORD.**
 - 4 The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek *God*; *God is* in none of his thoughts.
 - 5 His ways are always prospering; Your judgments *are* far above, out of his sight; As *for* all his enemies, he sneers at them.**
 - 6 He has said in his heart, "I shall not be moved; I shall never be in adversity."
 - 7 His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and oppression; Under his tongue *is* trouble and iniquity.**
 - 8 He sits in the lurking places of the villages; In the secret places he murders the innocent; His eyes are secretly fixed on the helpless.
 - 9 He lies in wait secretly, as a lion in his den; He lies in wait to catch the poor; He catches the poor when he draws him into his net.**
 - 10 So he crouches, he lies low, That the helpless may fall by his strength.
 - 11 He has said in his heart, "God has forgotten; He hides His face; He will never see."**
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Hymn 75: O For A Thousand Tongues

The Epistle: James 1:22-27

Hymn 50: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Gospel: John 16:22-33

Chorus 98: Majesty

Farewell
Philippians 4:21-23

Congregational Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

Hymn 40: May The Grace Of Christ Our Savior

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present you faultless Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, To God our Savior, Who alone is wise, Be glory and majesty, Dominion and power, Both now and forever. Amen.