

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

# Cottonwood Community Church

May 25 2014

Fifth Sunday After Easter  
Rogation Sunday  
Mother's Day

Sunday Worship, 10:00 am.

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Welcome

The Collect

Hymn 56: This Is My Father's World

**Psalms 33:13-22**

**13 The LORD looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men.**

14 From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth;

**15 He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works.**

16 No king *is* saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength.

**17 A horse *is* a vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver *any* by its great strength.**

18 Behold, the eye of the LORD *is* on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy,

**19 To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine.**

20 Our soul waits for the LORD; He *is* our help and our shield.

**21 For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His holy name.**

22 Let Your mercy, O LORD, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

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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

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**Legalism Or Love?**

*Selected Scriptures*

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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.

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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.