



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR B

Acts 10:44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. For they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, “Can any one forbid water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

The Word of the Lord.

Psalm 98 [page 727]

1 John 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of John

Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.

Every one who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of

God, and every one who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is He who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood.

The Word of the Lord.

John 15:9-17

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and y Father will love him, and we will come to him.

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The ✠ Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life
for his friends.

Jesus said to His disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for

the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. This I command you, to love one another.

The gospel of the Lord.