

6th Sunday of Easter

John 14:23-29

14:23 Jesus answered him, “Those who love me will keep my word, and [God] will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

14:24 Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from [God] who sent me.

14:25 “I have said these things to you while I am still with you.

14:26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom [God] will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.”

Name: (Adapt as necessary if the Easter season this year includes seven Sundays.) Good morning, everyone. Can you believe it? It's the last Sunday of the Easter Season. I wonder how Robbie is this morning? Let's find out. 1, 2, 3... *Robbie!*

Name: Good morning, Robbie. Can you believe it's the last week of the Easter season?

Robbie: I know. I'm a little worried I'll start to forget.

Name: Forget what?

Robbie: See that's what I *mean!* Even *you* are starting to forget!

Name: What?

Robbie: Jesus! How am I supposed to remember if someone as smart as you can't remember?

Name: Oh, Robbie, I'm not going to forget Jesus and you won't forget either.

Robbie: What? Are you going to call me up every morning and say, “Hey, Robbie, don't forget Jesus.”

Name: Robbie...

Robbie: Are you going to pop up in my math class and say, “Hey, Robbie, don't forget Jesus?”

Name: Robbie...

Robbie: Are you going to text me all the time and remind me not to forget Jesus?

Name: *Robbie!* I may remind you sometimes and maybe sometimes you'll remind *me* about all the wonderful things Jesus said and did. But Jesus told the disciples that God would send a gift to them that would help them remember.

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Robbie: A gift? Maybe Jesus has a Facebook page and I could get notifications every day? Or maybe just a tweet if Jesus is really busy. Or how about once a month a member of the choir comes to my house and gives me a singing telegram telling me to remember Jesus. Or...

Name: Robbie, stop.

Robbie: Sorry, it's just I get excited about gifts.

Name: Robbie, the gift Jesus said God would give us is the Holy Spirit.

Robbie: Okay...so where *is* this "Holy Spirit"?

Name: Well, Robbie, I think the Holy Spirit is everywhere people are loving each other.

Robbie: Those were Jesus' words!

Name: I think the Holy Spirit is everywhere people are seeking justice and being compassionate.

Robbie: Those were Jesus' words, too.

Name: That's what Jesus told his friends; he said whoever keeps my word loves me and I will be with them.

Robbie: So, even though Easter is over, the gift of the Holy Spirit will remind us of Jesus' words. Every time we're loving, forgiving, or peace-making, Jesus is alive in our hearts and in the world.

Name: I think that's it.

Robbie: (Name), you know, I still think it's not a bad idea for the choir to show up with a singing telegram about Jesus just to make sure we don't forget.

Name: I'll pass that on to the choir. Amen.

Robbie: Amen.