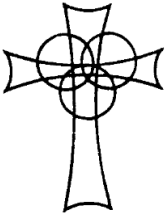


He ascended INTO Heaven



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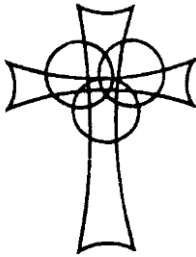
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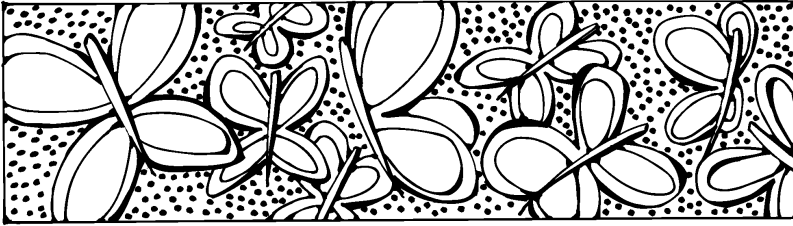
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the  
**Ascension**  
of our Lord

*Observed*  
**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
*Mother's Day*  
**MAY 12, 2024**

***WELCOME TO WORSHIP!***

***Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are glad that you are joining us in worship today. We are an “Easter People.” As such, we celebrate Christ’s victory over sin and death not only one Sunday of the Year, but every Sunday! Jesus Christ is worshipped here as the Living Lord and is seen alive as He comes to us in His Word and Sacraments. We pray that you will discover the same Lord Jesus as you worship with us today.

***PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP***

Almighty God, Your only Son was taken into the heavens and in Your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into Your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever Amen.

***CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION***

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God’s forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



## The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament on the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord

*Divine Service, Setting One*  
*Lutheran Service Book, Page 151ff*

✘ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✘

✘ **The Preparation** ✘

The Flute & Piano Prelude

“He Is Exalted”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 493*

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New  
2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -  
3 To them the shin - ing an - gels cry, “Why  
4 “You see Him now, as - cend - ing high Up

hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,  
on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia,  
stand and gaze up - on the sky?” Al - le - lu - ia,  
to the por - tals of the sky.” Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
al - le - lu - ia! And with His faith - ful fol - l'wers  
al - le - lu - ia! “This is the Sav - ior,” thus they  
al - le - lu - ia! “Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall

trod, As - cends un - to the throne of  
see Their Lord as - cend in maj - es -  
say; “This is His glo - rious tri - umph  
see Re - turn - ing in great maj - es -



**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

✠ **The Service of the Word** ✠

The Introit of the Day

*Psalm 110:1, 4-5; antiphon: Psalm 47:5*

**P** God has gone up with a shout,  
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**C** **The LORD says to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand,  
until I make your enemies your footstool.”**

**P** The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind,  
“You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.”

**C** **The Lord is at your right hand;  
he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.**

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P** God has gone up with a shout,  
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.



The Kyrie Eleison:

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.



The Hymn of Praise

*This Is the Feast*

*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



## The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*The Congregation is seated.*

## The First Reading

*Acts 1:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

<sup>4</sup>And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup>He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” <sup>9</sup>And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup>and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## The Epistle

*Ephesians 1:15-23*

<sup>15</sup>For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup>having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup>that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup>And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## The Trinity Singers

“We Have Seen the Risen Lord”

*The Congregation rises.*

## The Holy Gospel

*Luke 24:44-53*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>44</sup>Then [Jesus] said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, <sup>53</sup>and were continually in the temple blessing God.

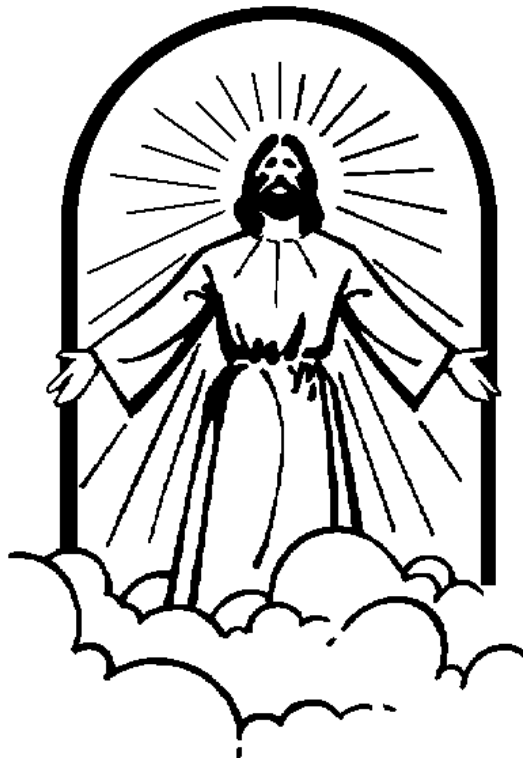
**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*The Congregation is seated.*



The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 494

“See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph”



1 See, the Lord as - cends in tri - umph; Con - qu'ring King in  
 2 Who is this that comes in glo - ry With the trump of  
 3 While He lifts His hands in bless - ing, He is part - ed  
 4 Now our heav'n - ly Aar - on en - ters With His blood with -  
 5 He has raised our hu - man na - ture On the clouds to



roy - al state, Rid - ing on the clouds, His char - iot, To His  
 ju - bi - lee? Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies, He has  
 from His friends; While their ea - ger eyes be - hold Him, He up -  
 in the veil; Josh - ua now is come to Ca - naan, And the  
 God's right hand; There we sit in heav'n - ly plac - es, There with



heav'n - ly pal - ace gate. Hark! The choirs of an - gel voic - es  
 gained the vic - to - ry. He who on the cross did suf - fer,  
 on the clouds as - cends. He who walked with God and pleased Him,  
 kings be - fore Him quail. Now He plants the tribes of Is - rael  
 Him in glo - ry stand. Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels;



Joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing, And the por - tals  
 He who from the grave a - rose, He has van - quished  
 Preach - ing truth and doom to come, He, our E - noch,  
 In their prom - ised rest - ing place; Now our great E -  
 Man with God is on the throne. By our might - y



high are lift - ed To re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.  
 sin and Sa - tan; He by death has crushed His foes.  
 is trans - lat - ed To His ev - er - last - ing home.  
 li - jah of - fers Dou - ble por - tion of His grace.  
 Lord's as - cen - sion We by faith be - hold our own.

The Sermon

With an Ending There Is a Beginning  
Text: Acts 1:1-11 & Luke 24:44-53

*The Congregation rises.*

The Nicene Creed:

- C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
- A**nd in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
- A**nd I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come.
- A**men.

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Father of glory, Your Son ascended into Your presence amidst the clouds, and now He reigns over the nations and sits on His holy throne as our victorious Savior over sin, death and the devil. Increase in us patient trust as we continue to wait for the fullness of Your glory to be revealed when He returns again in clouds of glory and inaugurates a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

**P** Gracious God, we rejoice that for us and for our salvation, You sent Your only begotten Son from His pure and kingly throne to take up our flesh and blood. By Your Holy Spirit, grant that Your Name may be kept holy among us as we teach Your Word in purity and truth and live godly lives according to it. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Source of all blessings, give our Trinity and Mekane Yesus congregations and all Christian congregations missionary zeal as we faithfully witness to the hope You have instilled in us. Use us as instruments of Your Spirit, that more people may know by faith the riches of their glorious inheritance, which You have prepared for all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Most merciful Father, You bestow on Your Church precious gifts through which You continue to dwell here on earth. Guide Your Church to faithfully use these gifts — Your Word and Sacraments — to proclaim repentance and distribute forgiveness to all people, tribes and nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Look in mercy on our nation and the nations of this world, especially on all who have been placed in positions of public trust, and give them wisdom that they may serve with integrity and honor. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Father of glory, Your Son, our Ascended Lord Jesus, in His incarnation, took on our created human flesh and was born of the Virgin Mary. As He lived here on earth, He submitted to His mother, honoring and obeying her, so fulfilling the commandment where we have not. On this Mothers' Day, graciously accept our thanksgiving for our mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures, whom you have given to us. Teach us to honor them aright — loving, obeying and giving thanks for them, as is fitting in Your sight. Strengthen all women with child and protect them in their deliverance. Comfort all women who long to have children, but cannot, that they may find their consolation in You and Your unfailing love. And grant to all women the strength to live out their vocation to provide love and nurture. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O God, You know of the suffering that exists here on earth because You Yourself suffered. Lift up the hearts of all who are ill and suffering in any way, especially \_\_\_\_\_, and draw them to You and to Your promises of forgiveness and life everlasting. Remind them that for Your Son's sake, You hear their prayers and continue to blanket them with Your Gospel's embrace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Eternal Father, grant peace and strength to those mourning the loss of loved ones [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_]. Fix their hearts and minds on the promise that although Your Son tasted death, death no longer has dominion over Him. Grant that in their time of sorrow, they would not lose hope but rely on Your promise that one day You will welcome them into an endless Eastertide for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Caring Lord, You bless all our days with Your goodness. Receive our thanks along with \_\_\_\_\_ and with all those who rejoice in Your blessings. Grant us all thankful hearts that we may ever acknowledge You as the giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lover of souls, You look with compassion and love upon all of Your children. To Your fatherly care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before you \_\_\_\_\_ and all the other people and concerns we name now in the silence of our hearts... Hear these prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Everlasting Father, Your Son continues to rule His Church from Your right hand, and yet He dwells among us through the Means of Grace. United in the apostolic teachings and believing that in this Holy Supper He is truly present and gives us His Body and Blood to eat and to drink, grant that those who feast on Him do so with a repentant spirit, trusting in His merits for salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, Your Son came from heaven to enact Your plan for our salvation. Perfectly completing this plan to the point of death and burial, He returned to You as our mighty Lord, who sits above all rule and authority and power and dominion. Knowing that He has saved all who believe in Him, we rejoice in the life that all our blessed dead now share eternally with Him, and we pray that following our Savior in this world by faith, we too may come to share with all the saints in the never-ending joy of His kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

**P** The Risen Lord now reigns at God's right hand. He is the Prince of Peace. Alleluia. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*The Congregation is seated.*

The Blessing of Women on Mother's Day:

**P** Let us pray.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Creator of heaven and earth. We give thanks to You for all the women of faith who have done Your will throughout the ages.

We bless and thank You for Eve, made in Your image; for the Matriarchs of Israel:

Sarah, Rebekah, Leah, and Rachel; for Rahab, Ruth, Naomi, and Hannah;

for Deborah and Esther; for Anna and Elizabeth; for Mary Magdalene, first witness of the Resurrection; for Joanna and Susanna; for Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe;

and for Mary, the Blessed Mother of Our Lord.

God of our ancestors in faith, we ask Your blessing upon the faithful women of this congregation: our sisters and friends, our spouses and daughters, our grandmothers and mothers.

Bless them and all women who place their trust in You. Keep them steadfast in Your Word. Look with favor upon their lives in Christ. May they wait upon the Lord and renew their strength, soaring up with wings like eagles, running and not growing weary, walking and not becoming faint.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** The blessing of Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, descend upon all of our mothers, grandmothers, and mother-figures, and remain with them forever.

**C** Amen.



✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

*Lutheran Worship Hymn # 149*

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

*We rise for the final stanza in honor of the Holy Trinity.*

**5 O Lord, our homeward pathway bend  
That our unwearied hearts ascend,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Where, seated on Your Father’s throne,  
You reign as King of kings alone.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**6 Give us Your joy on earth, O Lord,  
In heav’n to be our great reward.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Where, throned with You forever, we  
Shall praise Your Name eternally.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**△ 7 O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
All praise to You let earth accord:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
You are, while endless ages run,  
With Father and with Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

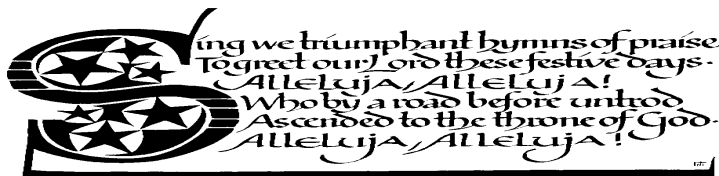
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*The Congregation rises.*



The Preface Dialogue:

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

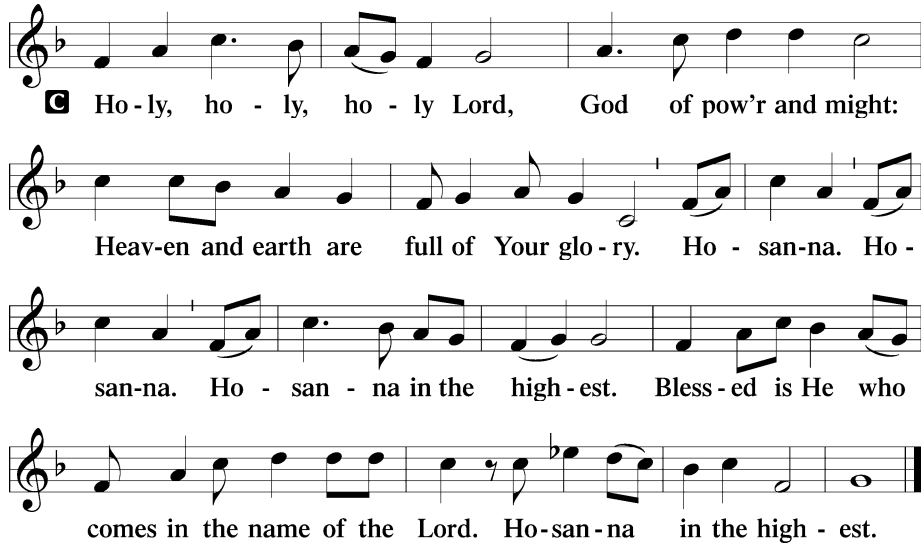


**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



The *Sanctus*:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross. Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



The Words of Our Lord:

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord’s Prayer:

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your Body and Blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The *Pax Domini*:

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

## The Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

*The Congregation is seated.*

## The Distribution of Holy Communion

*Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.*

*Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.*

*Music During the Distribution:*

"We Remember You" – The Trinity Singers

*The Congregation rises.*

The Post-Communion Canticle:

*Thank the Lord*



**G** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Post-Communion Collect:

**P** Let us pray.

We give You thanks, almighty and merciful God, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Sacrament; and we beseech You to pour out upon our hearts the Spirit of Your love, and to unite in peace those whom You have fed with the true Paschal Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**G** A - - men.



The *Benedicamus* and Solemn Blessing for the Ascension:

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us bless the Lord!

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

**P** God the Father, who has given to His Son the Name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** God the Son, who is our Great High Priest passed into the heavens, plead for you at the right hand of the Father.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** God the Holy Spirit, who pours out His abundant gifts upon the Church, make you faithful servants of Christ our King.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** And the blessing, mercy, and grace of Almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.

**C** **Amen.**

The Easter Dismissal:

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**P** Go in peace to love and to serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

**C** **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!**

*Alleluia!*

The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 525

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;  
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,  
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,  
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.  
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:  
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.  
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And  
 Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The  
 No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But  
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who  
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

*Text (sts. 1-3, 5): Matthew Bridges, 1800-94, alt.; (st. 4): Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903*

*Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816-93*

*Text and tune: Public domain*

The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

✠ To God Be All Praise and Glory! ✠



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### *THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP*

The Celebrant & Preacher

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel

The Lector

Tracy Peele

The Communion Assistant

The Worship Assistant

Paul Ritter

The Choir

The Trinity Singers

The Flutist

Susan Kennedy

The Parish Musician

Skip Hall

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### NOTES AND NEWS

*LARGE PRINT HYMNALS* ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

*SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY* ... **Next Sunday**, following our parish custom, we will hold our final Adult Bible Study for the Christian Education Year and begin our Summer Recess. Thank you to all those who have faithfully attended our Sunday Morning gatherings to dig into the Word together. We look forward, Lord willing, to seeing you and others again when we resume our Bible Studies in the Fall, beginning on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

*OUR PRAYER LIST* ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly “O Christ, Hear Us” page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

*ALTAR FLOWERS* ... The flower chart for 2024 is now available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord’s Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is now **\$45.00**, the increase owing mainly to delivery charges. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email ([trinity-elc-office@verizon.net](mailto:trinity-elc-office@verizon.net))

*LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:*

**KFUO Radio**, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at [kfu.org](http://kfu.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @**KFUOradio** on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfu.org), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/kfu.org), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfu.org).

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** Hear stories from around the Synod on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 10:00 a.m. ET), study Daniel 9-12 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET), and study The Church on Concord Matters (May 18 at 11:00 a.m. ET). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfu.org](http://kfu.org) and the KFUE Radio app!

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR* ... Jesus leaves His followers waiting for Him to return but He promises they will not be left alone. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, May 19, 2024, for this message from Lutheran Hour Guest Speaker, Rev. Dr. Jason Broge, "Waiting, But Not Alone", locally on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station’s range you may listen online to WFAX worldwide at [WFAX.com](http://WFAX.com). The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on [KFUE.org](http://KFUE.org) on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at [lhm.org](http://lhm.org), under “Media” and “The Lutheran Hour”.

*REMEMBERING THE SAINTS* ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

*There are no Feasts, Festivals, or Commemorations this week.*

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

*COMPASSION CENTER NEWS*... Our Compassion Center is open and is serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this ongoing time of need in our community, we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken;  
Canned Fruit; Soup.

(Cans with flip open tops are especially helpful as we serve our homeless clients.)

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM  
Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD  
Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

*PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...*

The Day of Pentecost, May 19, 2024

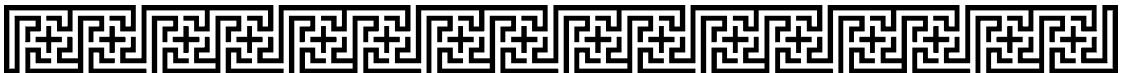
Scripture Readings: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15



# HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN

**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 12 – 19**  
*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<b><i>The Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord</i></b>	
	<b><i>The Seventh Sunday of Easter</i></b>	
	<b><i>Mother's Day</i></b>	
	8:30 AM	Bible Study
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
<b>Monday-Tuesday</b>		Pastor away at SED Circuit Visitors' Meeting in Richmond, VA
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b><i>The Day of Pentecost</i></b>	
	8:30 AM	Bible Study
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)



**CHURCH STATISTICS**



Sunday, May 5, 2024  
 Worship Attendance: 18; Communed: 18.

***MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR APRIL 2024:***

General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$22,363  
 General Offerings needed to meet the budget: \$11,027  
 Withdrawals from Thrivent mutual funds: \$0  
 Remaining balance in Thrivent mutual funds (3/31/24): \$35,820  
 (We actually plan to make a *deposit* soon!)

✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

**Intercessions for the Week of May 12, 2024**

**Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, Alan, Kate, August, David, Ernie, Paul, Shirley, and Angela

*For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:*

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;  
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;  
Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers;  
Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie;  
Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; Bernie, friend of Trinity;  
Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy; Oliver, son of David & Lisbeth;  
Doris, mother of Vincent; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;  
Evelyn, aunt of Judy; Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle;  
Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole; Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce;  
The Joneses, friend of Tracy; Victor, co-worker of Paul; Edward, friend of Rona & Paul;  
Craig, husband of Edith; Virginia, mother of Sam; Frank, brother-in-law of Gus;  
Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Lori, friend of Carole;  
Aidan & Family, friends of Joyce; Barb, friend of the Varonas

**Thanksgivings and Blessings**

Rebecca McCoyer, who celebrates her birthday this week.

Jimmie & Joyce Mayo, and Sam & Judy Welch, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

For the gift of our mothers, grandmothers, and mother-figures.

**We Keep In Our Prayers**

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland.
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity Members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.

- ✘ For the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✘ For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- ✘ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of shedding their blood.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.



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4000 – 30<sup>th</sup> Street  
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***Sunday Mornings:***  
Adult Bible Study – 8:30 AM  
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

*Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live  
For more information, please visit the church website.*

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Church Web Site: [www.tlcmr.org](http://www.tlcmr.org)  
*The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor*



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