

# The Ascension of Our Lord

May 25, 2025

WELCOME. *Dear Guest! We are happy to have you join us for worship today. May the Lord speak to your heart and supply help for your life as we listen to God's Word. Please sign the Guest Book in the narthex or fill out a Welcome Card to place in the offering boxes and come back soon!*

PRAYER AS WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP: Inside front cover of LSB

## Welcome and Announcements

Prelude                      “On Christ’s Ascension I Now Build”                      (German/Lock)

## 493 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**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.

**Introit** (sung by the Cantor)

God has gone up | with a shout,\*

the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet.

The LORD says to my Lord: “Sit at my | right hand,\*

until I make your enemies your | footstool.”

The LORD has sworn and will not | change his mind,\*

“You are a priest forever after the order of Mel- | chizedek.”

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;**

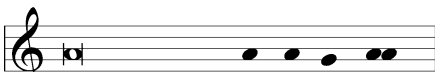
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

God has gone up | with a shout,\*

the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet.

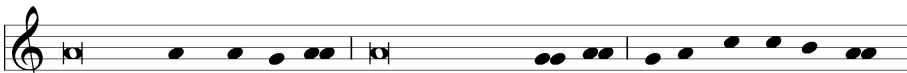
## Kyrie



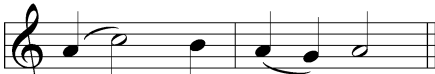
**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



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



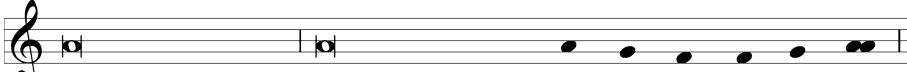
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



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



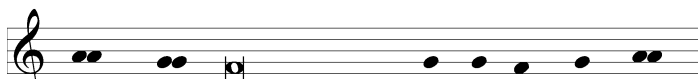
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## This Is the Feast



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



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



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also 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** Amen.

*Sit*

**Choir** (11:00)

**“Canticle of the Turning”**

(Irish/Organ)

[Violin: Peggy Nogle-Mott; Drum: Rev. Bill Norton]

## 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.

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## Gradual (sung by the Cantor)

Christ has risen | from the dead.\*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor.

He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;\*  
he has put all things un- | der his feet.

## 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.

*Stand*

## Alleluia



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (*sung as printed above*)

*Cantor:* We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (*sung as printed above*)

## 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.

*Sit*

## **701 Draw Us to Thee**

### **Sermon**

*Stand*

#### **Apostles' Creed**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

#### **Church / Lord's 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 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.

*Sit*

## **828 We Are Called to Stand Together**

### **Silent Prayer**

**Postlude**                      “Look, Ye Saints, The Sight is Glorious”                      (Owen/Manz)

**Offering** - Please place in offering boxes located by sanctuary doors.

**FAMILY PRAYERS:** We give thanks for our active LWML Quilting Group and the work they have accomplished this year. May their labors of love comfort others with Your love. We continue to pray for all those undergoing medical care or recovering including: Tom & Bonita Hoskins, Laurine McGrew, Bob Donaldson, Lawrence Kettel, Dorothy Ludke, Bob Schoessler, Rosemarie Schlegel, Debbie Hayes, Erik Simpson, Fred Swenson, Bob Barclay, Carolyn Stephens, Jean Collinson, Pat Skinner, Don Haas, Jean Gookins, Bruce Ludke, and for all our shut-ins. Missionaries of the month: Ben & Natalie Maxson of Makah Lutheran Church, in Neah Bay, WA.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** given to the glory of God for all the many blessings by Bruce & Marilyn Ludke in honor of those who gave their lives to defend our country and in celebration of family birthdays.

**THOSE SERVING TODAY:** **Audio Visual:** Pat Moored, Paul Schwabe, George Haslett  
**Altar Care:** Jill Mason & Janice Moored; **Counters:** Jack & Deborah Long  
**Elders:** (8:30) Neil Eklund & Jon Wendt; (11:00) Frank Jones & Norm Drewett  
**Greeters:** (8:30) Paul & Traci Kaiser; (11:00) Lynn Jane Thompson  
**Lectors:** (8:30) Samantha Wickert; (11:00) Jessie Bainbridge  
**Ushers:** (8:30) Bill Eichler, Roger Harmann; (11:00) Lynn & Jane Thompson

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK:** [Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 & 11 am]  
TODAY: 9:30 am Coffee & Fellowship; 10 am Adult Bible Class; 9:45 Sunday School  
MONDAY: *Office Closed*; 10– 12 Laundry Mission; (*no Line Dancing class*)  
WEDNESDAY: 7 pm Basic Bible Truths Class  
4 pm Beginning Bells, 6 pm Bell Choir; 7:15 pm Choir Practice  
THURSDAY: 7:30 am Men's Prayer; ~~10 am Games Day~~; 5-7 pm Sequim-n-Women Group



Our LWML collect "mites" or coins in the narthex the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month in support of missions

**FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY:** There will be a potluck following the service next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. We will formally recognize Pat Marcy's 50 years of service as our Music Director & Organist at both services and all of our new members joining our church family since last June at the second service. Following the second service, there will be a time of celebration with food and fellowship.

**IN MEMORY OF KEREN:** At the family's request, there will be a private graveside service this week. Next week, there will be a basket in the narthex for the congregation to drop off cards for the family, and any donations to the church with "Keren McCullem Memorial Fund" in the memo line, will be designated by the family next month. (Most likely to the Preschool Scholarship Fund or a special Preschool need.)

**WEEDERS WANTED:** Volunteers to weed and help maintain our new landscaping in front of the church are being sought. Contact Marty Adickes if you can help out sometimes.