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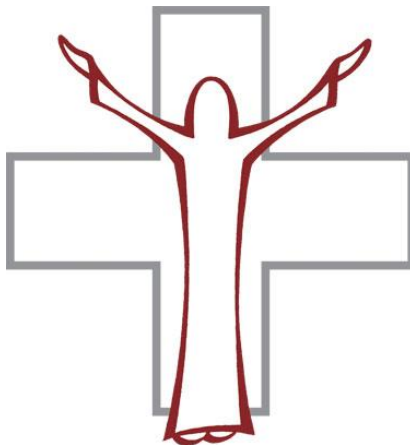
The Ascension of Our Lord (observed)

May 12, 2024

Divine Service, Setting Two – LSB 167

8:00 & 10:30*am, 5:00 pm

*livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)



AS WE GATHER

The Ascended Lord Jesus Is with Us Always in His Church on Earth

After He rose from the dead, the Lord Jesus presented Himself alive to the apostles, “appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God” (Acts 1:3). When He ascended to the right hand of the Father, He did not orphan His Church, but He fills all things in heaven and on earth and gives gifts to His disciples.

Even now, through His Church, He continues “to do and teach” (Acts 1:1), preaching “repentance for the forgiveness of sins” (Luke 24:47), even “to the end of the earth” (Acts 1:8). Though the cloud hid Jesus from the sight of His disciples then, and He remains hidden from sight even now, **He remains with His people through His Gospel and Sacraments**. He comes to us by the word of His apostles, by the promise of His Father and by the power of the Holy Spirit, whom He pours out upon “the church, which is his body” (Eph. 1:22–23). In this Holy Christian Church, we bless God and worship Christ with joy, for in His Church He blesses us with forgiveness, lifts us up in His hands and seats us with Himself “in the heavenly places” (Eph. 1:20).

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✠ ✠ ✠ GATHERING ✠ ✠ ✠

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC – *Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated* (arr. Michael D. Costello)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN – LSB 493 – A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

10:30 am – Choir verses 3 & 4



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 -



God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 ty. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 day!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 ty." Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,
And be our future great reward.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Then, throned with You forever, we
Shall praise Your name eternally.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

△ 6 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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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.

✠ ✠ ✠ **WORD** ✠ ✠ ✠

INTROIT – Psalm 110:1, 4-5; antiphon: Psalm 47:5

The cantor/choir sings the antiphon, followed by the congregation.

The congregation repeats the antiphon after the verses.

God has gone up with a shout, _____ the
Lord with the sound of the trum - pet.
God has gone up with a shout, _____ the
Lord with the sound of the trum - pet.

*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 Melchizedek.”*

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

*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. **ANTIPHON***

KYRIE – LSB 168 – Lord, Have Mercy – Mark 10:47

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.



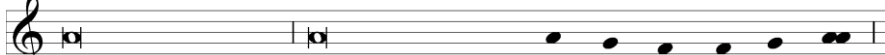
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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.



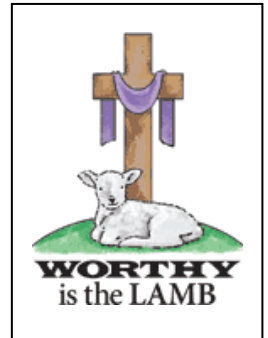
C A - men.

*Today Jesus Christ our Lord went up to heaven; let our hearts go up with him...Just as he ascended without leaving us, so too we are already with him in heaven, although his promises have not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.
-Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)*

HYMN OF PRAISE – LSB 171 – This is the Feast – *Revelation. 5:12-13; 19:5-9*

Cantor/Choir: This is the feast of victory for our God! Alleluia!

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





SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY— 2 Timothy 4:22

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray... one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

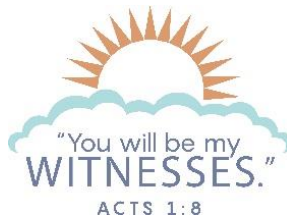
FIRST LESSON – Acts 1:1–11 – “The Lord ascends from their sight and the disciples return to Jerusalem with great joy.”

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 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.

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; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. 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.” 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. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 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.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**



GRADUAL – *Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6* – **The congregation sings all.**

Christ has ris - en
from the dead. God the Fa - ther has
crowned Him with glo - ry and hon - or. He has
giv - en Him do - min - ion o - ver the works of His
hands; He has put all things un - der His feet.

EPISTLE – **Ephesians 1:15–23** – Paul commends the faith of the congregation in the context of the resurrection and ascension of Christ.

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, 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, 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, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 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. And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE – *Romans 6:9; Matthew 28:20b*

The congregation sings the refrain before and after each verse



A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - ia,
A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - ia!

*Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him. REFRAIN*

Behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. REFRAIN

HOLY GOSPEL – Luke 24:44–53 – The evangelist records how Christ opened the Scriptures to the disciples before ascending in glory before their sight.

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

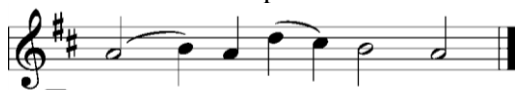


G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

⁴⁴Then [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.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And 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.”

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.



8:00 am – Children’s Message

HYMN OF THE DAY – LSB 491 – Up through Endless Ranks of Angels



1 Up through end - less ranks of an - gels, Cries of tri - umph
 2 Death - de - stroy - ing, life - re - stor - ing, Prov - en e - qual
 3 To our lives of wan - ton wan - d'ring Send Your Spir - it,
 △ 4 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Oh, to breathe the



in His ears, To His heav'n - ly throne as - cend - ing,
 to our need, Now for us be - fore the Fa - ther
 prom - ised guide; Through our lives of fear and fail - ure
 Spir - it's grace! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Hav - ing van - quished all their fears, Christ looks down up -
 As our broth - er in - ter - cede; Flesh that for our
 With Your pow'r and love a - bide; Wel - come us, as
 Oh, to see the Fa - ther's face! Al - le - lu - ia,



on His faith - ful, Leav - ing them in hap - py tears.
 world was wound - ed, Liv - ing, for the wound - ed plead!
 You were wel - comed, To an end - less Eas - ter - tide.
 al - le - lu - ia! Oh, to feel the Son's em - brace!

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SERMON – *The Ascension of our Lord* – Luke 24:44-53

8:00 am – 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.

10:30 am & 5:00 pm – NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And 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.

And 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. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

A Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A ... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OFFERING – *The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns* (arr. Stephen Weber)

OFFERTORY – LSB 176 – *Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



C What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my

vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

8:00 am— Continues with the **Lord's Prayer** (*page 13*)
and concludes with the **Benediction and Closing Hymn** (*pages 17-18*).

✠ ✠ ✠ **SACRAMENT** ✠ ✠ ✠
beginning at LSB 177

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.
G And al - so with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
G We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
G It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and singing:

For Guests and Visitors Desiring the Sacrament

As a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we confess, in accord with the Scriptures, that **in this sacred meal Jesus Himself is truly present to forgive our sin and strengthen our faith.**

Participation in this meal indicates that you **believe, have been baptized, and have been taught** according to our Lord's command **and are in doctrinal agreement** with this confession.

- **If you are visiting from outside the Lutheran Church or are new to the faith**, we welcome you to come to the altar with arms crossed to receive a blessing.
- **If you desire to receive instruction for the Lord's Supper**, please speak with one of our pastors.

SANCTUS – LSB 178 – Holy, Holy, Holy – Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

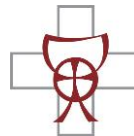
P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P ...So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

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.



PAX DOMINI – The Peace of the Lord – John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** Amen.

AGNUS DEI – LSB 180 – Lamb of God – *John 1:29*

C 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, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

Anthem – *Fairest Lord Jesus* (arr. Richard DeLong)

LSB 539 – Christ is the World’s Redeemer

1 Christ is the world’s Re - deem - er, The lov - er of the pure,
 2 Christ has our host sur - round - ed With clouds of mar - tyrs bright,
 3 Down through the realm of dark - ness He strode in vic - to - ry,
 △ 4 Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther, The un - be - got - ten One,
 The font of heav’n-ly wis - dom, Our trust and hope se - cure,
 Who wave their palms in tri - umph And fire us for the fight.
 And at the hour ap - point - ed He rose tri - um - phant-ly.
 All hon - or be to Je - sus, His sole - be - got - ten Son,
 The ar - mor of His sol - diers, The Lord of earth and sky,
 Then Christ the cross as - cend - ed To save a world un - done
 And now, to heav’n as - cend - ed, He sits up - on the throne
 And to the Ho - ly Spir - it— The per - fect Trin - i - ty.

Distribution Notes:
 If you need **gluten-free wafers**, please let one of the pastors know.
Non-alcoholic grape juice, containing *a trace amount of wine*, is available in the center of the tray.

Fairest Lord Jesus
 Fairest Lord Jesus,
 Ruler of all nature,
 O thou of God and
 man the Son,
 Thee will I cherish,
 Thee will I honor,
 Thou, my soul’s
 glory, joy and
 crown.
 Fair are the
 meadows,
 Fairer still the
 woodlands,
 Robed in the
 blooming garb of
 spring:
 Jesus is fairer,
 Jesus is purer,
 Who makes the
 woeful heart to sing.
 Fair is the sunshine,
 Fairer still the
 moonlight,
 And all the
 twinkling, starry
 host:
 Jesus is brighter,
 Jesus is purer,
 Than all the angels
 heav’n can boast.



Our health while we are liv - ing, Our life when we shall die.
And, suf - f'ring for the sin - ful, Our full re - demp - tion won.
Whence He had ne'er de - part - ed, His Fa - ther's and His own.
Let all the worlds give an - swer: A - men! So let it be.

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LSB 840 – Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated



1 Christ high - as - cend - ed, now in glo - ry seat - ed, Throned and ex -
2 Christ from the Fa - ther ev - 'ry pow'r pos - sess - ing, Who on His
3 Christ, who in dy - ing won for us sal - va - tion, Lives now the
4 Christ in His splen - dor, all do - min - ion gain - ing, Christ with His
5 As at His part - ing, joy shall ban - ish griev - ing, Faith in His



alt - ed, vic - to - ry com - plet - ed, Death's dread do - min - ion
cho - sen lift - ed hands in bless - ing, Sends forth His ser - vants,
first - born of the new cre - a - tion; To win dis - ci - ples
peo - ple ev - er - more re - main - ing, Christ to all a - ges
pres - ence strength - en our be - liev - ing; Filled with His Spir - it,



fi - nal - ly de - feat - ed, We are His wit - ness - es.
still in faith con - fess - ing, We are His wit - ness - es.
out of ev - 'ry na - tion, We are His wit - ness - es.
glo - ri - ous - ly reign - ing, We are His wit - ness - es.
love and pow'r re - ceiv - ing, We are His wit - ness - es.

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LSB 830 – Spread the Reign of God the Lord



1 Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spoken, writ-ten, might-y Word;
 2 Tell how God the Fa-ther's will Made the world, up-holds it still,
 3 Tell of our Re-deem-er's grace, Who, to save our hu-man race
 4 Tell of God the Spir-it giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n,



Ev-'ry-where His crea-tures call To His heav'n-ly ban-quet hall.
 How His own dear Son He gave Us from sin and death to save.
 And to pay re-bel-ion's price, Gave Him-self as sac-ri-fice.
 Strong and ho-ly, just and true, Work-ing both to will and do.

5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;
 Ripe the promise of its yield.
 But the reapers, oh, how few
 For the work there is to do!

6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,
 Rouse to action heart and mind;
 Let the gath'ring nations all
 See Your light and heed Your call.

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – LSB 680 – Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

Please stand for Verse 5.

Verse 1: Women

Verse 3: Choir

Verse 2: Men

Verses 4-5: All



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing – harmonization by John Rutter

Gradual: “Christ Has Risen From the Dead” – Setting: Jonathan Mueller

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Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels – descant by Bruce Bengston

Post-Communion Hymn: “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise” – Setting: Carl Schalk

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P ... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION – Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

P Christ is risen! Alleluia!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHRIST
IS RISEN
INDEED
Alleluia

HYMN TO DEPART – LSB 532 – The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns



1 The Head that once was crowned with thorns Is
 2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords Is
 3 The Joy of all who dwell a - bove, The
 4 To them the cross, with all its shame, With



crowned with glo - ry now; A roy - al di - a -
 His, is His by right, The King of kings and
 Joy of all be - low To whom He man - i -
 all its grace, is giv'n; Their name an ev - er -



dem a - dorns The might - y Vic - tor's brow.
 Lord of lords, And heav'n's e - ter - nal Light;
 fests His love And grants His name to know.
 last - ing name, Their joy the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below,
 They reign with Him above,
 Their profit and their joy to know
 The myst'ry of His love.

6 The cross He bore is life and health,
 Though shame and death to Him:
 His people's hope, His people's wealth,
 Their everlasting theme.

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POST-SERVICE MUSIC – Toccata in Seven (John Rutter)



TUESDAY, May 14

12:00pm – Staff meeting

2:00 Quilting (kitchen)

5:15pm First Steps in Music

6:15pm Children's Choir

7:20 & 8:25pm Softball **double-header** (Twin Lakes, F2)



Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the **Edwards family** in celebration of Arie's birthday on May 10.

WEDNESDAY, May 15

10:00am Men's & Women's **Bible studies**

5:30pm School Board

6:30pm PPC

7:00pm Senior Choir (4th grade – adult)

THURSDAY, May 16

11:30am **JOY Group** Lunch at Lincoln Square Pancake House (formerly Denny's)

Meet us at the restaurant, or let us know if you need a ride from church. Sign up on the JOY Group bulletin board or call Dick (920-650-7917) or Elaine (920-650-1784) Wagner.



SATURDAY, May 18

11am-1pm

Ladies of all ages - Join us for a delicious Tea and a Silent Auction to benefit [New Hope Family Shelter](#).

Donations for the Auction - handmade or purchased - may be left in the Sunday School across from the kitchen *with your name on it* in case we have questions.

Please sign up [online](#) or on the podium in the narthex, so we have a count for food.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 19 – We invite you to WEAR RED for Pentecost.



SUNDAY, June 2

9:15am **Congregational Celebration** of the 10th anniversaries of Pastor Beck, Pastor Sui, and Preschool Director Rachel Stults

11:30am **Congregational Safety and Crisis Management Training**

This training for volunteers at church events is **required** for all Spirit Camp volunteers and Servanteens, Sunday School teachers, and ministry team event volunteers **who did not attend last year** (those wanting a refresher are always welcome).

Topics covered will include general safety and emergency preparedness training and protocols within our facility, so **ALL members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.**

5:00pm **Hymn Festival** featuring **Biblical Canticles**



To support Spirit Camp with your Time and Talents - either *before* or *during* the week - sign up at **FaithBtown.org** or on the podium in the narthex.

Contact Sarah Beck or Alyse Cannon at spiritcamp@faithbtown.org for more information.



Spirit Camp Service Project

Operation Christmas Child is a project of international Christian relief and evangelism organization *Samaritan's Purse*.

This unique project sends a message of hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes, while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas – Jesus Christ, God’s greatest gift.

You can help by donating any of the following items (please remember these must all fit together in the shoeboxes):

- **Toys** – small toys for boys or girls: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, plastic kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, small Etch-A-Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, coloring/activity books
- **School Supplies** – pens, pencils with sharpener, crayons (boxes of 24 or less preferred, but will take any and all!) or markers, small notebooks/notepads, solar calculators, etc.
- **Hygiene Items** – toothbrushes, toothpaste, bars of soap, combs, washcloths, etc.
- **Other** – sunglasses, flashlight with extra batteries, ball caps, socks, t-shirts, hair-clips, watches, small picture books
- **Financial Gifts** – each box costs \$10 to ship.

Operation Christmas Child provides the boxes.

Thank you for your generous donations of the items to fill them!

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