THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD (Observed on the Seventh Sunday of Easter)

May 21, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.

Prelude "Christ Is Alive, Let Christians Sing" -arr. J. Wayne Kerr

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" LSB 525 1 Crown Him with man - y The Lamb His throne; crowns, up - on 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's The God Son, in - car - nate born, 3 Crown Him the Lord of Be - hold His hands and love. side. 4 Crown Him the Lord Who tri-umphed o'er of life. 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. rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save. And 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 an - gels in the sky No Can ful - ly bear that sight, But glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high. Who His As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown Him with man - y crowns 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

 \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Implies P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

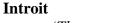
C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

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



(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)



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.

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.

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

Ascension

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- 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.

First Reading

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.

Psalm

(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)



God has gone up | with a shout,* the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet.
Clap your hands, all | peoples!* Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!
For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,* a great king over | all the earth.
He subdued peoples | under us,* and nations un- | der our feet.
He chose our heritage | for us,* the pride of Jacob | whom he loves.

God has gone up | with a shout,* the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing | praises!* Sing praises to our King, sing | praises! For God is the King of | all the earth;* sing praises | with a psalm!

God reigns over the | nations;* God sits on his | holy throne. The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of | Abraham.* For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly ex- | alted! Psalm 47; antiphon: v. 5

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.

Epistle

1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11

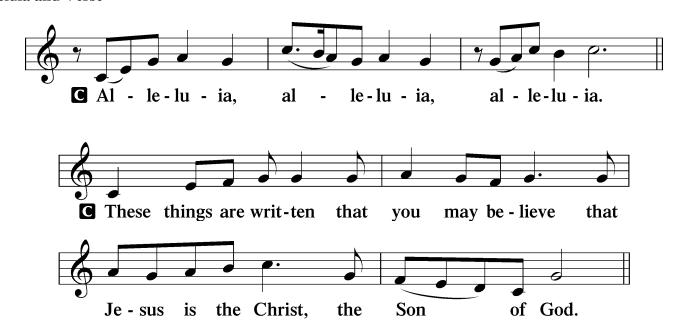
Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. ... Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

A

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

С

Alleluia and Verse





Holy Gospel

Luke 24:44-53

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

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." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. 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." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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. Hymn of the Day: "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build"



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Sermon "Humble Anxiety" 1 Peter 5:6-7 and 10-11

- I. Personal Growth
- II. "Humble yourselves..."
 - To humble yourself means...
 - o 1.)
 - o 2.)
 - o 3.)
- III. "...under the Mighty Hand of God..."
 - What does "Mighty Hand of God" refer to?
- IV. "...so that at the proper time He may exalt you..."
 - What four promises does Peter tell us? He says God will...
 - R_____
 - C_____
 - S_____
 - E_____
- V. ... casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you."
 - What do you carry?
- VI. Praise (v.11)

Prayer of the Church

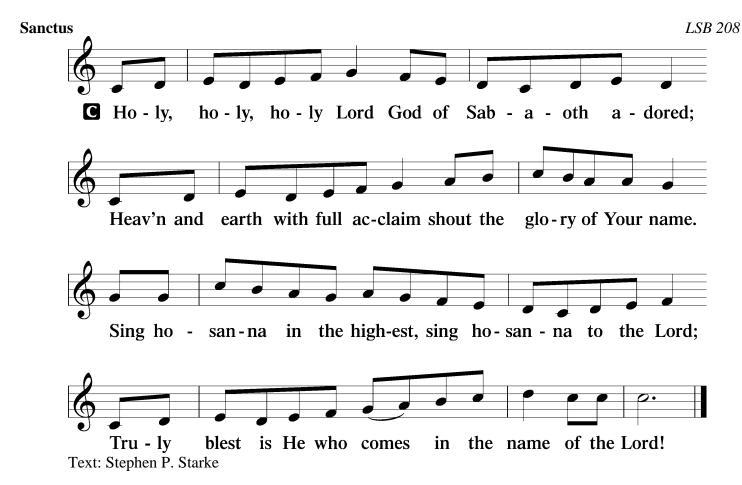
Offering

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you leave the sanctuary.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also 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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

... Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

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 + 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 + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

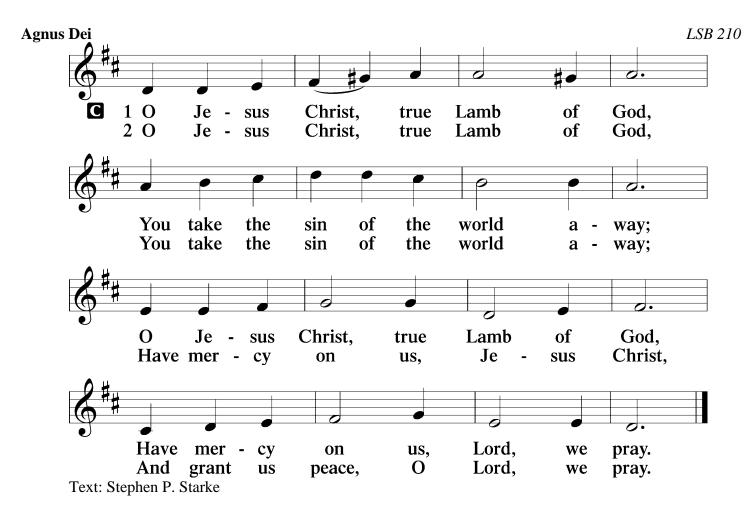
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The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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C Amen.



Distribution

You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You may kneel, but it is not required. Distribution Hymn: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LSB 528 0 0 1 Oh, for thou tongues sing My sand a _ to 2 My As gra - cious Mas and God. ter my 3 Je _ charms That sus! The name that our fears. 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed He sin: 0 0 The ries of Re - deem - er's praise, great glo my sist me to pro claim, To spread through all the 'Tis bids sor - rows sic in the our cease; mu pris - 'ner the free. His blood can make the sets ~ θ The God and King, tri - umphs His of grace! earth The hon of a broad, ors Thy name. sin -'Tis and ner's life health ears, and peace. foul - est clean; His blood vails for a me. 5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race. Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace. 6 See all your sins on Jesus laid; The Lamb of God was slain. His soul was once an off'ring made For ev'ry soul of man.

7 To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv'n By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav'n.
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Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray. ...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the A Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

С Amen.

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- A Let us bless the Lord. С
 - Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

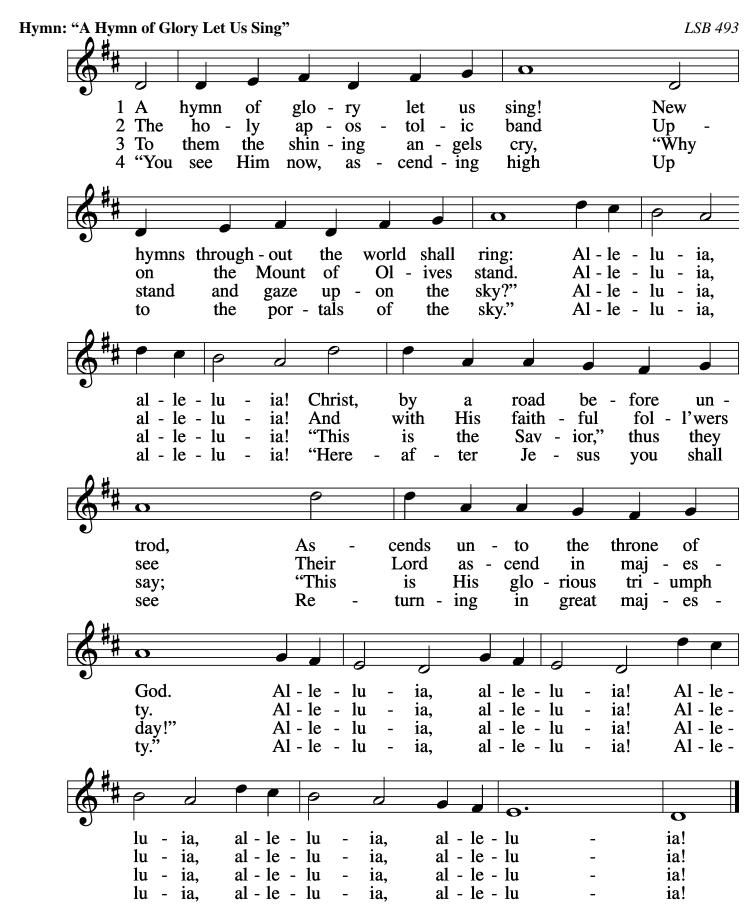
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

C Amen.



	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!
\wedge	6	O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
	0	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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Postlude "Thine Is the Glory" -accompaniment by Janet Linker

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS: Acts 1:11 – "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." Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ is ascended, and Christ will come again. We live our lives in this world in the sure confidence of the world to come. We live as people who know our Lord Jesus and who know that He is coming back. This knowledge makes all the difference in how we approach the things of this world.

OUT OF TOWN? If you are going to be out of town this summer for vacation, or just simply going up to the lake, please let Pastor Kooi or one of the elders know. We aren't trying to be attendance police, but if we don't see you, we would like to know that everything is okay. Blessings on your travels this summer!

JOHN1516S: If you are entering sixth grade this fall, we would love to have you join us for this. Every Tuesday, we will be doing a service project and fun event. Transportation, lunch, and admission to every event is included. We will be meeting the last three Tuesdays of June and July. Price is \$75 for three events, and \$125 for all six events. Please talk to Pastor Kooi for more details and a registration form. If your parents or grandparents would like to tag along, they are more than welcome. Just let Pastor Kooi know, and he can give them more details.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION: With our new photo directory coming up soon, it's time to update your contact information. If you have a new address, phone number, or email, please let Maria know.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: We will be voting on boards and officers for 2023-2024 today, May 21 after the worship service.

HEAR "THE LUTHERAN HOUR" on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week's broadcast: "A Timely Invitation" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe. Jesus provides unlimited living water that refreshes us and is meant to be shared. (John 7:37-39)

Do Even More as a Community

Agate Services is invested in the work to end homelessness and relieve hunger. They never have enough snack packs, even though the largest donation of snack packs was 800! Do Good Roseville wants to beat that. Their goal is to collect enough donations to make 1000 (!!) snack packs by the end of May. In order to do this, they need donations of the following:

- Beef jerky
- Pudding cups
- Small cracker packs
- Granola bars
- Fruit snacks
- Bottled water
- Trail mix
- Small cookie packs

Donations are being collected by Jeena at Namaste Brows and Boutique, 1718B Lexington Ave N. They are open Monday through Saturday from 10 to 6, and Sunday from noon to 5. Drop off donations anytime they are open!