

May 29, 2022

The Ascension of Our Lord (Observed)



*“We Preach Christ Crucified...”*

- 1 Corinthians 1:23

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You shall be  
My witnesses ...  
even to the  
remotest part  
of the earth.

ACTS 1:8, NASB

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## As We Gather

What have you witnessed? Jesus' disciples witnessed Jesus teach with authority, feed the five thousand with a few loaves of bread and some fish, heal people of a variety of diseases, and even bring Lazarus back to life. Yet, in spite of what they witnessed, they struggled to believe the story would continue after Jesus was crucified on Good Friday. Surprise! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Following the resurrection, they witnessed more amazing things Jesus said and did, and now they would get their chance to share what they had seen and heard. What have you seen and heard about Jesus? What have you seen and heard Jesus do in your life? Who can you share with what you have witnessed?

### ✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

*[Today's hymns are printed on pages 10-13 of the bulletin.]*

#### Hymn

TLH 222 - Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

#### Invocation

Matthew 28:19b

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

**C** Amen.

#### Confession and Absolution

Psalm 47:2-3; 124:8

**P** For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

**C** He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** Let us then confess our sins unto our gracious Lord.

**C** We confess before God and before one another that we have failed to live in the image of Christ. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.

**P** We stand guilty before our Father in heaven and are in need of His forgiveness.

**C** Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- P** Because of and in Christ's continued presence through all our days,
- C** **renew us and strengthen us for Christlike living and service in Your kingdom until the day when we ascend to the heavenly realm where we shall be in the presence of Christ forever and ever.**
- P** Jesus Christ, your ascended Lord, has heard your confession, and He alone has the power to forgive all sin. His presence and grace are enough for us in this time and eternally. God has promised His merciful forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus, to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him in faith. As a called servant of the Word, in His stead and by His command, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**



✠ Service of the Word ✠

Hymn of Praise

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing – TLH 212 (1, 6-7)

A hymn of glo - ry let us sing; New  
 Be Thou our Joy and strong De - fense, Who  
 O ri - sen Christ, as - cen - ded Lord, All

songs thro' - out the world shall ring: Al - le -  
 art our fu - ture Re - com - pense: Al - le -  
 praise to Thee let earth ac - cord Al - le -

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ,  
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! So  
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Who

by a road be - fore un - trod, As -  
 shall the light that springs from Thee Be  
 art, while end - less a - ges run, With

ced - eth to the throne of God.  
 ours through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 Fa - ther and with Spir - it One.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray...

... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Epistle Reading

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 the 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.

## Psalm of the Day

Psalm 47

**P** Clap your hands, all peoples!

**C** Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**P** For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,

**C** a great king over all the earth.

**P** He subdued peoples under us,

**C** and nations under our feet.

**P** He chose our heritage for us,

**C** the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

**P** God has gone up with a shout,

**C** the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**P** Sing praises to God, sing praises!

**C** Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

- P** For God is the King of all the earth;
- C** **sing praises with a psalm!**
- P** God reigns over the nations;
- C** **God sits on his holy throne.**
- P** The princes of the peoples gather
- C** **as the people of the God of Abraham.**
- P** For the shields of the earth belong to God;
- C** **he is highly exalted!**

## Gospel Reading

Luke 24:44-53

<sup>44</sup> Then he 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 for the 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> And 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.



## Alleluia

- P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

## Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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

WS 765 – Christ High-Ascended

## Sermon Text

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> He presented himself alive to them 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.”



*Sermon*

## Can the Weak Really Be His Witnesses?

## Offertory



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
and re - new a right spir - it with in me.  
Cast me not a - way from Your pres - ence;  
and take not Your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.  
Re - store un - to me the joy of Your sal - va - tion;  
and uphold me with Your free spir - it. A - men.

## Hymn

TLH 216 – On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

## Offering Hymn

TLH 442 st. 2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee  
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;  
With the sunshine of Thy goodness  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by Thee, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.



# General Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

## Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

## Hymn

WS 738 – Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

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# TLH 222 – Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

8. 7. 8. 7. 4. 7.

Phil. 2: 9-11  
Thomas Kelly, 1809

Coronae  
William H. Monk, 1871



1 Look, ye saints, the sight is glo-rious; See the Man of Sor-rows now!  
2 Crown the Sav - ior! An-gels, crown Him! Rich the tro-phies Je - sus brings;



From the fight re-turned vic - to-rious, Ev - 'ry knee to Him shall bow.  
On the seat of pow'r en-throne Him While the vault of heav-en rings.



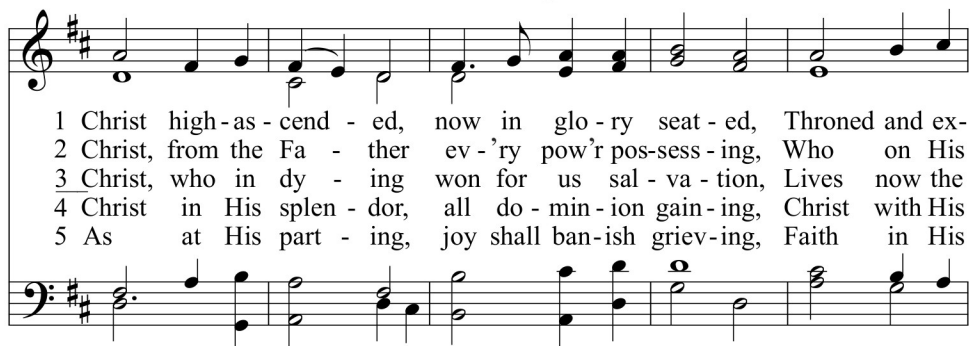
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crowns be-come the Vic - tor's brow.  
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown the Sav - ior King of kings. A-men.



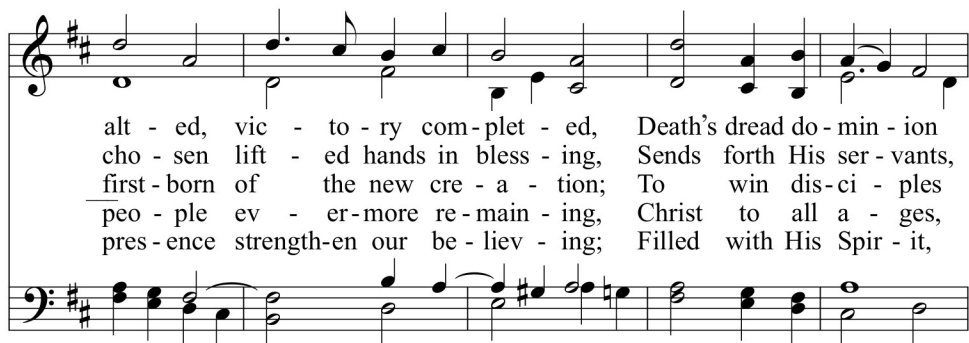
3 Sinners in derision crowned Him,  
Mocking thus the Savior's claim;  
Saints and angels crowd around Him,  
Own His title, praise His name.  
Crown Him! Crown Him!  
Spread abroad the Victor's fame.

4 Hark, those bursts of acclamation!  
Hark, those loud triumphant chords!  
Jesus takes the highest station;  
Oh, what joy the sight affords!  
Crown Him! Crown Him!  
King of kings and Lord of lords!

# WS 765 – Christ High-Ascended



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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Tune: *Antiphoner*, Paris, 1681  
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# TLH 216 – On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

John 14: 3

Auf Christi Himmelfahrt allein

Joana Wegelin, 1636

Tr., William M. Czomanske, 1938

8. 7. 8. 7. 8. 8. 7.

Nun freuet euch  
"Eulich' christliche Lieder"  
Wittenberg, 1524



1 On Christ's as - cen - sion I now build The hope of mine as - cen - sion;  
2 Since He re - turned to claim His throne, Great gifts for men ob - tain - ing,  
3 Oh, grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Re - call - ing Thine as - cen - sion,



This hope a - lone has ev - er stilled All doubt and ap - pre - hen - sion;  
My heart shall rest in Him a - lone, No oth - er rest re - main - ing;  
That I may ev - er walk with Thee, A - dorn - ing Thy re - demp - tion;



For where the Head is, there full well I know His mem - bers are to dwell  
For where my Trea - sure went be - fore, There all my tho'ts shall ev - er soar  
And then, when all my days shall cease, Let me de - part in joy and peace



When Christ shall come and call them.  
To still their deep - est yearn - ing.  
In an - swer to my plead - ing. A - men.



## WS 738 – Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep-ter, His the throne;  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav-en, Here on earth our food, our stay;  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or-phans Are we left in sor - row now;

Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri-umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us; Faith be-lieves, nor ques-tions how.

Hark! The songs of peace-ful Zi - on Thun - der like a might - y flood:  
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re - deem - er, hear our plea  
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the for - ty days were o'er,

“Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion Has re-deemed us by His blood.”  
 Where the songs of all the an - gels Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 Nev - er shall we lose His pro-mise: “I am with you ev - er - more!”

## ✠ Announcements ✠

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

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### OUR SCHEDULE: "If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

\*Online calendar at [FDLlutheran.com](http://FDLlutheran.com) or go to [facebook.com/FDL.lutheran](https://facebook.com/FDL.lutheran)

May 29	9:00 am	Worship Service
June 5	9:00 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion
June 6-7		Great Lakes Delegate Conference in Saginaw, MI
June 8	9:00 am	Lakeview Place Worship Service
	10, 11 am	Woodlands Worship Services
	1:30 pm	St. Peter's Place Worship Service
June 10	5:00 pm	Youth Group Water Day
June 12	9:00 am	Worship Service

**Daily Rest Subscriptions:** It's time for the annual renewal of the devotional publication *Daily Rest*. If you would like to renew your subscription, or start a new one, please fill out the sheet on the bulletin board. The cost of an annual subscription is \$15. Money can be placed in the offering plate clearly marked as being for *Daily Rest*.

**Youth Group Water Day:** The Youth Group will have a Water Day on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Meet at church at 5:00 pm. There will be a light supper provided for those who attend.

**Kinship:** The Kinship Committee is in need of individual sponsors for both orphans and seminarians in our overseas sister congregations. Fields of opportunity are continually expanding, as are the needs for support from those who are moved to do. Please consider helping. Financial support ranges from \$25/month to \$50/month. For more information please see, call, email, or text Dan Roehl— danroehl@hotmail.com / 507-381-2042.

**Invitation:** Peace Thru Christ, Middleton, WI (<https://peacethruchrist.org/>) will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary on June 19, 2022. Worship services will occur at 10 AM (sermon by Emeritus Missionary David Koenig) and 1:30 PM (sermon by Professor John Ude). Guests are invited to worship our resurrected Lord with us! Dinner will be served at Noon. Please RSVP for planning purposes by June 6 at <https://peacethruchrist.org/welcome/50th-anniversary-event/>. For questions, contact Dan Schaefer at schaeferd51@gmail.com.

**Porcupine Mountains Youth Camp-Out:** This year's camp will happen August 6-10 (Sat-Wed). This is for students entering grades 8-12. The total camp fee is around \$85. Go to [tinyurl.com/porkies2022](http://tinyurl.com/porkies2022) to get more info and to register. Or, check out the printout posted on the bulletin board.

**Black Hills Family Bible Camp:** Camping in the beauty of the Black Hills, studies in the beauty of God's Word. There will also be many outdoor activities available such as hiking, climbing/repelling, swimming, kayaking, bonfires, s'mores etc... The camp runs from the evening of Friday July 15<sup>th</sup> through the morning of Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup>. To sign up or for more information, you can call Pastor Aaron Ude at (605) 393-1311 or email him at aaronude@gmail.com.

**Traveling VBS:** The TVBS committee has finalized our list of trips for this summer. We will be going to California, Washington, and North Dakota. We are now in need of volunteers to ensure we can make these trips possible. If you are interested in volunteering and would like more information please go to our website: <http://www.clctvbs.org/tvbs>. You will find information about the trips, this year's theme, and a registration form. If you have any questions you may use the 'contact us' link or email us directly at the email address below. Please let us know if you would like more information or have any questions. Thank you for considering!

**CLC Call News:** Pastor David Ude, Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, has returned the call to Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA. + Pastor Samuel Naumann, Resurrection Lutheran Church, Corpus Christi, TX, has received the call to Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA.

**FRUITS OF FAITH – May 15****Attendance: 50**

<b>Luther Memorial Church</b>		<b>Church of the Lutheran Confession</b>	
<b>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</b>		<b>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</b>	
\$1,296.00	LM General Budget (05/15)	\$220.00	CLC General Budget (05/15)
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
-\$1,627.08	-Under / +Over	-\$164.62	-Under / +Over
\$59,729.13	Year to Date Offerings	\$16,853.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$58,461.60	Year to Date Need	\$17,692.52	Fiscal Year to Date Need
+\$1,267.53	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$839.52	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<b>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</b>		<b>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</b>	
	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund
	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
\$5.00	LM M & I	\$25.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$45.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund	\$15.00	Miscellaneous

**FRUITS OF FAITH – May 22****Attendance: 83**

<b>Luther Memorial Church</b>		<b>Church of the Lutheran Confession</b>	
<b>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</b>		<b>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</b>	
\$3,674.00	LM General Budget (05/22)	\$135.00	CLC General Budget (05/22)
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
+\$750.92	-Under / +Over	-\$249.62	-Under / +Over
\$63,403.13	Year to Date Offerings	\$16,988.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$61,384.68	Year to Date Need	\$18,077.14	Fiscal Year to Date Need
+\$2,018.45	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$1,089.14	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<b>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</b>		<b>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</b>	
	LM School	\$40.00	ILC Student Aid Fund
\$10.00	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
	LM M & I	\$35.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach		Project Kinship/Orphanage
	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund	\$45.00	Miscellaneous