

LORD's Day Service – Ascension Sunday – May 12, 2024

Preparation for Worship: *Hebrews 8:1-2*

Entrance – God Calls Us into His presence; we respond with praise

* *Entrance Hymn* Songbook, #1
Opening Acclamation

* *Call to Worship* Acts 1:1-12

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!
Congregation: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Minister: Alleluia! Christ is ascended on high!
Congregation: He has sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high. Alleluia!
Minister: Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom,
Congregation: And strength and honor and glory and blessing!
Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace be with you, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen!

* *Hymn* Psalter, #47A
All Peoples, Clap Your Hands for Joy

Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him

Call to Confession

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

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

Hymn of Confession Trinity Hymnal, #xiv
Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

Let us kneel before the Lord our God and corporately confess our sins unto Him.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may love you completely, and rightly magnify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen! (Silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

Ascension - God Consecrates us by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him

Minister: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!
Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!
Congregation: It is proper and right to do so!
Minister: Truly it is proper, right and our bound duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, through Your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; Who after His glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to His disciples; and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare us as a tabernacle for Him; that where He is, there we may be also, and reign with Him in glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all Your Church in heaven and on earth, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You, singing:

* *Sanctus* Songbook, #79
Psalter, #66C
All Earth to God Raise Joyful Song

Let us pray: **Almighty God, Whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that He might fill all things; and You have exalted Him with great triumph to the right hand of Your throne: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to His promise, yet He abides with His Church on earth to the end of the ages; and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen!**

Old Testament Lesson Job 1:1-12
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Epistle Lesson Ephesians 2:1-10; 6:10-14a
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

* *Gospel Lesson* John 16:5-11, 16-17, 25-28
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ!

* *Hymn* Trinity Hymnal, #212
A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Sermon "A Faithful Son, the Sons of God and the satan"

* *Hymn* Trinity Hymnal, #86
Now Thank We All Our God

* *Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

Prayers of the Church Petitions & the Lord's Prayer

Peace - God Communes with us; we eat with joy at His Table

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Mark 14:22-26

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

* Hymn

Songbook, front pocket
When the Enemy Comes In

Dismissal - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we go out to serve Him

- * *The Lord's Commission of Us* Colossians 3:1-2
* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* Numbers 6:24-26
* *We bless the Lord, lifting hands and voices to Him* Psalter, #72D

Announcements

LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the wood box on the rear wall of the sanctuary.
(2 Corinthians 9:6-11)



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Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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CHRIST IS RISEN!

HE IS RISEN
INDEED!

In the name of the risen and reigning Lord Jesus Christ welcome: to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; to all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; and to whomever will come.

We assemble together each Lord's Day as a gathering of God's children with each other, but primarily, as a meeting of the triune God with His chosen people. God is present with us by His omnipresence but, much more intimately, as the faithful covenant Savior. Christ is the Mediator by whom alone we can come unto God. He is the head of the church. He rules over public worship. In corporate worship – when God meets with His people, Christ with His bride, the Spirit with His temple – we receive God's grace through the Word and sacrament, and we respond to Him with thanksgiving, faith, and love.