



# THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Thursday May 9, 2024 7:30 p.m.

Lutheran Service Book Page 184 Divine Service 3  
Trinity Lutheran Church Norman, OK. www.tlcnorman.org

- Pastor David Nehrenz - Vicar Jamie Bruss

- Organist Timothy Schmidt - Elder Kurt Schweiger

\* = all stand

## PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Communion Policy on back of Bulletin)

\* **OPENING HYMN** "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" **LSB 493**

\* INVOCATION Page 184

\* CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

\* INTROIT (Vicar chants Antiphon; Congregation chants bold verses)

God has gone up | with a shout,\*  
the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet.

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**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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God has gone up | with a shout,\*  
the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet.

\* KYRIE Page 186

\* GLORIA IN EXCELSIS Page 187

\* SALUTATION Page 189

\* COLLECT OF THE DAY (Vicar chants; congregation sings "Amen")

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. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS (after each Lesson: "Thanks be to God")

The First Lesson – 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."**

GRADUAL **Psalm 47** (Chanted responsively by whole verses)

The 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.**

\* ALLELUIA and VERSE Page 190

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

\* The Gospel – Luke 24:44-53 (Responses Pages 190-191)

<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.**

# The Ascension of Our Lord



- \* NICENE CREED *Page 191*
- HYMN of the Day** “See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph”
- LSB 494** *(pastor vv. 1,3; cong. vv. 2,4,5)*
- SERMON “He Lifted Up His Hands and Blessed Them”**
- \* OFFERTORY *Page 192*
- OFFERINGS *(signing of the Ritual of Friendship)*
- VOLUNTARY
- \* PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(Response: “Hear our prayer”)*
- \* SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT *Page 194*
- COMMUNION **HYMNS** “Draw Us to Thee” **LSB 701**
- “Crown Him with Many Crowns” **LSB 525**
- “Alleluia Sing to Jesus” **LSB 821**
- \* NUNC DIMITTIS *Page 199*
- \* BENEDICTION *Page 202*
- \* CLOSING **HYMN** “On Christ’s Ascension” **LSB 492**
- POSTLUDE

### **HOLY COMMUNION POLICY:**

Holy Communion is administered to Lutheran Church Missouri Synod members and LCMS guests who have been instructed, catechized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. If you are visiting, please speak to the Elder of the day, or to the Pastor about receiving the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

### **ATTENDANCE AND COMMUNION REGISTRATION:**

During the gathering of the Offerings, members and visitors please pick up the Ritual of Friendship pad at the end of the pew, take out a white (member) or tan (visitor) sheet and pass the pad down the pew to the people sitting next to you. Please fill out the date, address and phone number information as well as e-mail addresses. The sheets will be collected in the baskets in the narthex as you leave.

Thank you!

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