



## CHRIST

will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations.

## The Order of Worship

*(We will follow the Common Service which is also printed  
on page 15 in the front section of the Hymnal)*

### Pre-Service Music

#### Opening Hymn

“A Hymn of Glory, Let Us Sing”  
*Christian Worship 171*

#### The Invocation

P: In the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.



C: A — men!

#### The Invitation to Approach the Lord

P: Dearly loved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness;

#### The Contrite Confession of Sinners

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**



C: Lord, have mer—cy on us. Christ, have mer—cy



on us. Lord, have mer—cy on us.

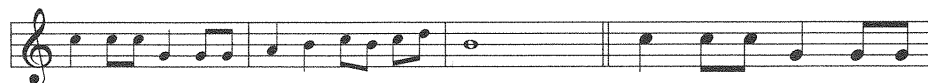
### The Proclamation of Forgiveness

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A — men!

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



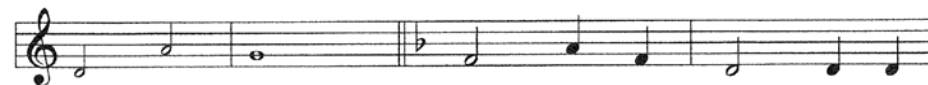
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer - cy on us.  
 You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -  
 ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the  
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the  
 Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,  
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo - ry to God in the  
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
 Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

**Prayer for the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And al— so with you.

P: O blessed Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ, at your ascension you returned to your Father’s throne, reclaimed your power and glory as God, and proclaimed your work was complete. Your ascension further reminds us of your great love for us. You have called us to be your people. You have set us apart for your service. You have even given us the promise of your never-failing presence. Continue to bless us through your love. Give us an extra measure of faith. Fill us with boldness and confidence to serve you without rival or excuse. Keep us safe until you return in glory—all to the praise of your holy name, the only name given whereby all people will be saved;

C: A — men!



The Lessons from God's Word  
"Teach me, O LORD to follow your decrees;  
then I will keep them to the end."

**The Confirmation of the Resurrection**

*Acts 1:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>I wrote my first book, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began doing and teaching <sup>2</sup>until the day he was taken up, after he had given instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After he had suffered, he presented himself alive to the apostles with many convincing proofs. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and told them things about the kingdom of God.

<sup>4</sup>Once, when he was eating with them, he commanded them, "Do not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for what the Father promised, which 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 were together with him, they asked, "Lord, is this the time when you are going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

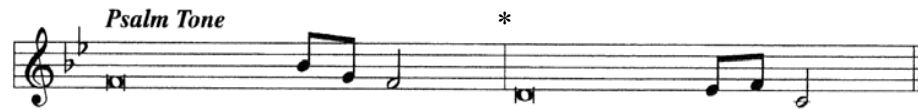
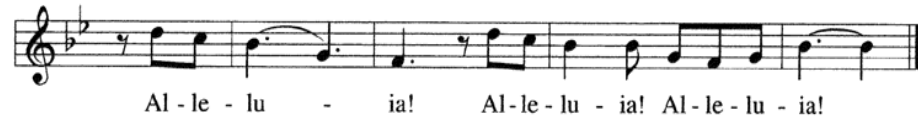
<sup>7</sup>He said to them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

<sup>9</sup>After he said these things, he was taken up while they were watching, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>They were looking intently into the sky as he went away. Suddenly, two men in white clothes stood beside them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing here looking up into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

**Psalm for the Day**

*CWS 98*





Sing to the LORD, a | new song. \*  
for he has done mar- | velous things.

The LORD has made his sal- | vation known; \*  
and revealed his righteousness to the | nations.

He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the  
house of | Israel; \*  
all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

**Refrain**

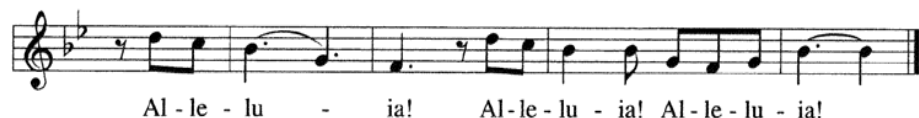
Shout for joy to the LORD, | all the earth; \*  
burst into jubilant song with | music.

Make music to the LORD | with the harp; \*  
with the harp and the sound of | singing.

Shout for joy before the | LORD, the King; \*  
he will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples  
with | equity.

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.





### Epistle

*Revelation 19:11–16*

<sup>11</sup>I saw heaven standing open, and there was a white horse! Its rider is called Faithful and True, and he judges and makes war in righteousness. <sup>12</sup>His eyes are like blazing flames, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him, which no one knows except he himself. <sup>13</sup>He is also clothed in a garment that had been dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. <sup>14</sup>The armies in heaven, which were clothed with white, clean, fine linen, were following him on white horses. <sup>15</sup>Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will shepherd them with an iron staff. He himself is going to trample the winepress of the fierce anger of the Almighty God. <sup>16</sup>On his garment and on his thigh this name is written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

### Verse of the Day

P: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name. Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. Look to the LORD and his strength seek his face always. He is the LORD, our God.

### Refrain by the congregation



### The Gospel

P: The “Good News” about our Savior is recorded in the twenty-



fourth chapter of Luke, reading from the forty-fourth verse.



**C: Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!**

<sup>44</sup>He said to them, “These are my words, which I spoke to you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms.”

<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. <sup>46</sup>He said to them, “This is what is written and so it must be: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>Look, I am sending you what my Father promised. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

<sup>50</sup>He led them out as far as the vicinity of Bethany. He lifted up his hands and blessed them. <sup>51</sup>And while he was blessing them, he parted from them and was taken up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>So they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. <sup>53</sup>They were continually in the temple courts, praising and blessing God. Amen.

P: This is the Word of our God, and our Ascended Savior.



**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

### **The Confession of Faith**

*(we unite in the words of the Apostles' Creed)*

**C: 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 of the Day

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”  
*Christian Worship 169*

Sermon

*Luke 24:45-48*

Theme

“It is a Lasting Legacy”  
Secured by Jesus  
Delivered to us

Create in Me

*Psalm 51*



C: 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 up—hold me with your free Spir-it. A—men.

## Thanksgiving, Prayer, and Praise

### Prayer for the Lord's Blessing

*Special Prayers and Requests*

#### The Lord's Prayer

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory  
are yours now and forever. Amen!**

#### Hymn

“On Christ's Ascension I Now Build”

*Christian Worship 173*

#### The Extinguishing of the Paschal Candle

P: The extinguishing of the Paschal Candle reminds us that Jesus completed the work of our rescue, returned to his Father, and is no longer physically present with us. However, we live with the promise of his never-failing presence as the all powerful and victorious God, and with his promise of the Holy Spirit. Hear that promise:

“The Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming to back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happened, so that when it does happen you will believe.”

### **Closing Prayer**

P: O dearest Jesus, our living, loving and victorious Savior, your devotion to us and your Church is without measure. You have prayed for our protection from every enemy. You have set us apart for faithful service through your sanctifying Word. You have even given us a lasting legacy by which we can dedicate our lives to you. Help us understand and appreciate the rich blessing you have given us through your undeserved love. Lead us to daily rely on you for encouragement and support. Strengthen us to serve you boldly and confidently, just as you served us in love. Stand by us throughout this earthly life always guiding and ruling all things so that they are for our good, and serve your holy purpose. Bring us in the end to that blessed place you have prepared for us in heaven. There we will praise you—together with your Father and the Spirit—throughout endless ages.



C: A ——— men!

### **The Benediction**

P: Brothers and sisters, aim for perfection, listen to God’s Word, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and compassion be will be with you.

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face shine upon you

and be gracious to you;  
The Lord look on you with favor, and give you peace.



C: A—men. A—men. A — men.

**Closing Hymn** “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”  
*Christian Worship 250*

### **Silent Prayer**

#### **Announcements**

**Today** - *Welcome in name of our good, gracious and faithful God!*  
May the rich and undeserved blessing which comes through the ascension of his Son, Jesus Christ, always be with you. May it also lead you to a life filled with joy and contentment as you live with the legacy he has given us. If you are visiting us this morning, please sign our guest book, and visit us again—soon!

- Everyone is invited to stay after the service to enjoy a cup of coffee and the gift of friendship.
- Christian Education will follow the service.

**Wednesday**—Bible Class will continue with the study of the Apostle Peter. This past Wednesday we completed a review of the training he received prior to being a disciple, and how he became an apostle and disciple. This evening we will consider his role as a leader in the early Christian Church.

**Friday**—Office hours from 10:30 am until 2:30 pm.

**Saturday**—Church Cleaning: Lance & Julie Schroeder

- Lawn beginning May 29th—Jim Everson

**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**—**In-person Worship and Live-streaming at 9:30 am.** On the day of Pentecost the Lord resolved the judgment he brought upon the earth at the tower of Babel. Because of humankind’s arrogance he confused all the languages so it was impossible for people to understand each other. Now, on the Day of Pentecost, God brought the good news of his Son to all people. He accomplished this not by giving everyone the same language, but by giving his apostles the ability to speak many languages.

- During the service we will have the opportunity to receive the Lord’s Supper. You may register to receive it today.
- Education will follow the service and consider Jesus’ promise of the Counselor, that is, the Holy Spirit who would guide his Church in the Truth.

### Thank You

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### Forward in Christ

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