

HOLY COMMUNION/SANTO COMUNIÓN ACS SETTING XI 14 AUGUST 2022

Welcome!/iBienvenido!

This is the day the Lord has made, let us together rejoice and be glad in it!

~ Christ Ascension is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Lənape Hakink (Lenni-Lenape) people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

~ Here are a few notes to help you participate in worship today: You are invited to participate with the words in **bold type**. The liturgy for this season is found on the front pages of *All Creation Sings* as indicated (**p**.___)You may stand as you are able where there is an asterisk (*). Hymns may be found in the back of the red or purple hymnal using the number indicated (#). Hymns #151-893 may be found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* and hymns #901-1100 may be found in the purple *All Creation Sings*. The Psalms are found as hymns #1-150 on unnumbered pages in the middle of the red hymnal.

~ You don't need to disconnect here! You don't need to turn off your phone, but please place it in silent mode. Feel free to take pictures—of our building, of worship, <u>but ask permission for any people-pictures</u>. We ask that you not use flash during this worship service. Post your favorite quote from the sermon or verse from a hymn...just be sure to *check in* and let your friends know where you are!

~ We welcome all of God's children **no matter your age**. Wriggles, dancing, and singing welcome! Together we raise a joyful noise. If you would like a children's bulletin, a soft toy, or a book, they're in the back! Be sure to see Pastor Jay after worship for Easter stickers!

 \sim All-Gender Restrooms may be found in Kimes Hall. To get there, exit by the back door, cross the driveway, and enter the red door at the top of the ramp/stairs.

~ Christ Ascension is a **Reconciling in Christ** congregation and we fully welcome all people regardless of race, gender understanding/expression, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, marital status, political affiliation—and we hope that you know the grace and love of God among us today!

GATHERING/AL CONGREGARSE

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. El Espíritu Santo nos llama como el pueblo de Dios.

Prelude

At the sound of the bell, the assembly stands.



ver - y 1 Filled with hope and grat - i - tude filled with and 2 God's e - ter - nal 3 Hun - gry peo - ple mer - cy, meant for hu - man all of eat good things and find hon - ored an 4 Filled with hope and grat - i - tude filled with and ver - y God, and spir - it ex de - liv - 'rance from Ι sing with soul and ex ul kind, is giv en op as place; the rich are sent a - way though they are God, Ι sing with soul and spir - it ex - ul tion, for God smiled ta has up pres sion. The pow er - ful and prom - ise hun gry. The to our tion, ta for God has smiled up the hum - ble who will give her on ser - vant haugh-ty find that they are now cast down, the the fore - bears God re news for us to - day: the hum - ble who will give her on ser - vant own sweet milk Christ, the world's sal - va - tion. to low - ly raised be yond this world's de - ri - sion. world is filled with God's a - bun - dant mer - cy. own sweet milk to Christ, the world's sal - va - tion.

*GREETING/SALUDO

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you. #907



*PRAYER OF THE DAY/ORACIÓN DE DÍA Let us pray: Almighty God, in choosing the virgin Mary to be your mother, you made known your gracious regard for the poor, the lowly, and the despised. Grant us grace to receive your word in humility, and so to be made one with your Son, Jesus, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD/CALABRA

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching, and song. Dios nos habla en la escritura leída, predicada, y cantada.

FIRST READING/PRIMERA LECTURA Judith 12:18-20 Uzziah said to Judith, "O daughter, you are blessed by the Most High God above all other women on earth, and blessed be the Holy God, who created the heavens and the earth, who has guided you to cut off the head of the leader of our enemies. Praise of you will never depart from the hearts of women and men who remember the power of God. May God do these things for you as an eternal exaltation, and may God visit you with blessings, because you did not withhold your life when our nation was humiliated, rather you rallied against our demise, walking straight before our God." And all the people said, "Amen. Amen." The Word of the Lord./Palabra de Dios. Thanks be to God./Demos gracias a Dios.

PSALM/SALMO My soul magnifies the | Holy One, and my spirit rejoices in | God my savior, MAGNIFICAT

for God has looked with favor on the lowliness of | God's own womb-slave. Surely, from now on all generations will | call me blest; for the Mighty One has done great | things for me, and holy | is God's name. God's lovingkindness is for those | who fear God from generation to | generation. God has shown the strength of | God's own arm; God has scattered the arrogant in the intent | of their hearts. God has brought down the powerful | from their thrones, and lifted | up the lowly; God has filled the hungry | with good things, and sent the rich | away empty. God has helped God's own child, | Israel, a memorial | to God's mercy, just as God said to our mo- | thers and fathers, to Hagar and Sarah and Abraham, to their descen- | dants forever.

Revelation 21:1-7

SECOND READING / SEGUNDA LECTURA

I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, descending heaven from God, prepared as a bride for her beloved. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! The home of God is among the woman-born. God will dwell with them as their God; they will be God's peoples, and the selfsame God will be with them. God will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; grief and weeping and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the One who was seated upon the throne said, "Look! I am making all things news." The One also said, "Write, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Then the One said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the thirsty from the spring of the water of life freely. Those who overcome will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my daughters and sons."

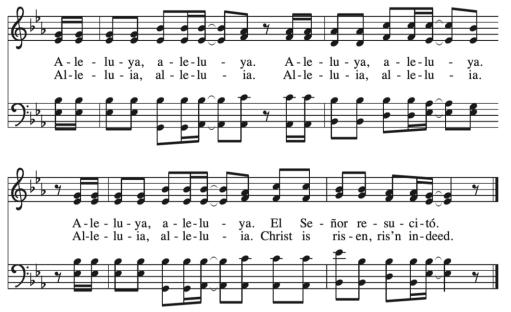
The Word of the Lord./Palabra de Dios.

Thanks be to God./Demos gracias a Dios.

The assembly stands to greet the gospel.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION/ACLAMACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

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*GOSPEL/EVANGELIO

Luke 1:26-38

The Holy Gospel according to Luke./ El santo evangelio según Luca. Glory to you, O Lord./¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor.

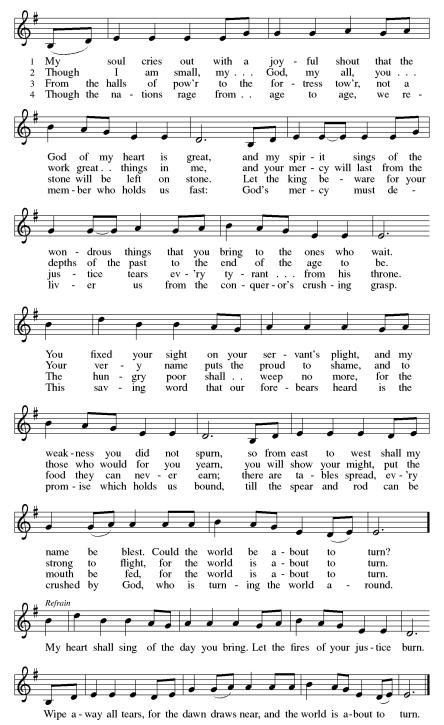
In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town of Galilee, Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the name of the virgin was Mary. And the angel came to Mary and said, "Rejoice, favored one! The Most High God is with you." Now, she was troubled by the angel's words and pondered what sort of greeting this was.

Then the angel said to her, "Fear not, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Child of the Most High, and the Sovereign God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his sovereignty there will be no end." Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have not known a man intimately?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit, she will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the one born will be holy. He will be called Child of God. And now, Elizabeth your kinswoman has even conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for she who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the woman-slave of God; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel left her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord./El evangelio del Señor. Praise to you, O Christ./¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!

SERMON/SERMÓN

After a brief silence for reflection, the assembly stands to proclaim the Word of God in song



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*CREED

Siblings in Christ, let us confess the faith into which we are baptized: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYER OF INTERCESSION/LAS PLEGARIAS DE INTERCESSIÓN Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

You have revealed your love for people overlooked and cast aside, sending your son to be born among the humble and poor. Send your church to proclaim good news to those who feel abandoned, despised, or rejected and make our congregations places of genuine welcome and hospitality. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All creation longs for healing and restoration. Thwart the destruction of plant and animal habitats and amplify the voices of those who advocate for wise stewardship of the earth's resources. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We remember your promise to our ancestors and look to you for justice. Expose pride, greed, and exploitation wherever it is found and raise up humble leaders who act on behalf of those who are poor, oppressed, or in other need. God of mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Your Spirit lives in our hearts and makes us heirs of salvation. Rescue us from shame and dishonor. Lift up the lowly, fill the hungry with good things, and have mercy on those who turn to you for help in particular those whose names and needs we lift up now:_____. God of mercy, **hear our**

prayer.

For what else do we pray?

For the prayers on our lips and in our hearts, God of mercy, hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the saints who have found refuge in you, O God especially Mary your mother, and for Maximillian, Kaj, and Bernard. As you have delivered them from all their afflictions, so save us from all our earthly troubles until that day when we sing your praise together in heaven. God of mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*THE PEACE/LA PAZ

The peace of Christ be with you always./La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes. And also with you./Y también contigo.

We greet one another with a greeting of peace. Please be mindful of touch.

MEAL/CENA

God feeds us with Jesus Christ. Dios nos alimenta con Jesucristo.

OFFERING/PRESENTACIÓN DE LAS OFRENDAS

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church. Our offering at Christ Ascension goes to support our ministries as well as those of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. If you would like to give electronically, you may do so by using the DONATE tab on our website: christascension.org. *OFFERTORY HYMN/CANTICO DE LAS OFRENDAS ELW#184 be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of Let the vine-yards bless-ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come. with your pres - ence,

*OFFERTORY PRAYER/ORACIÓN Let us pray: Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; For the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING/GRAN PLEGARIA EUCARÍSTICA *DIALOG/DIÁLOGO The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface/Prefacio It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with Mary your mother, with saints, martyrs, and apostles, with patriarchs and prophets, with cherubim, seraphim, and all the choirs of angels, and with the Church throughout time and place, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY/SANTO, SANTO, SANTO



*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE/PLEGARIA EUCARISTICA All praise to you, glorious God of grace. Throughout the ages you have blessed us with foremothers of the faith. With Sarah, we bless you for your gift of life. With Ruth, we praise you for family and food. With Miriam, we celebrate our escape from the foe.

Remembering Deborah, we honor the words of your prophets. Remembering the woman at the well, we laud you for living water. Remembering Junia, we thank you for those who minister among your people. One with the daughter of Jairus, we wake to life in you.

With Mary, we magnify your name:



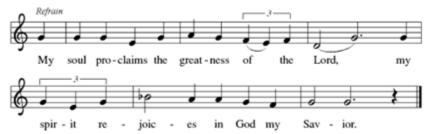
Remembering Martha and Mary, we join Jesus at this meal. Living, he healed the bleeding woman; dying, he cared for his mother; risen, he sent Mary Magdalene in mission.

On the night before he died, he took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With Mary, again we magnify your name:



Mighty God of mercy,

as you heard the prayers of Hannah,

so now hear us.

Send your Spirit on this bread and wine,

that sharing the body and blood of Christ

we become his body in the world.

Send your Spirit on this assembly, that like Phoebe,

we serve one another with zeal.

Send your Spirit on the church, that like Anna,

we tell others of your mercy.

Send your Spirit into our hearts, that like Dorcas,

we care for the poor and needy.

With Mary, once more we magnify your name:



All praise to you, powerful God of peace. We adore you, our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you who mother and feed and comfort us, today, tomorrow, and forever. **Amen.** *LORD'S PRAYER/PADRE NUESTRO Our Father in Heaven... p. 24 Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: 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. Save us from the time of trial ad deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION/INVITACIÓN A LA COMUNIÓN

COMMUNION/COMUNIÓN

This is Christ's Table and Christ is present when we share this Meal. All Christians are welcome to receive the bread and wine, Christ's Body and Blood given and shed for the sake of the world. Communion is by pouring chalice. You may come forward, at the direction of the ushers. Take a small cup from the front of the aisle, and proceed to the Presiding Minister. Receive the bread in your open palm. Then, please hold your cup steadily for the assisting minister to pour into. You may then drink. When you return to your seat, please dispose of the cup in the provided bowl. For those who so desire, gluten-free bread is available. Please indicate such desire to the presiding minister. For those who would like to participate, but not to receive the Bread and Wine, please come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms in front of you. If you are unable to come forward to the altar rail and would like Communion brought to you in your seat, please let the usher know.

0 fies My soul now mag ni the Lord; my spir it 1 2 For God of might, have done you a - lone, 0 а 3 Your arm is strong; your strength great. You scat is ter -You feed the own; the wealth -4 hun gry your as У 5 Sing glo the Ho One, give hon ry to ly or 6 leaps, by joy pos-sessed. You keep kind me in your re maz - ing things for me. Your mer - cy flows; your name like those of proud in - tent and cast them down from high es leave with emp with emp -the in - car ty hands. You give your help Is ra to nate Word, and praise the Pow'r of God to most 20 6 call blessed. gard; all tions me gen er _ а light re - mains in pet ual ly. time per tate; give the nour ish ment. then low your prom el; your gra cious ise al ways stands. -high, from by all а dored.

My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord

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What Child Is This



Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898 Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

TABLE BLESSING/BENDICIÓN DE LA MESA The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ...

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION/ORACIÓN DESPUÉS DE LA COMUNIÓN Let us pray:

O God, in this holy communion

you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fest us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbor with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING/ENVÍO

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world. Dios nos bendice y nos envía en misión para el mundo. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ANUNCIOS

*BLESSING/BENDICIÓN May the Holy Spirit, by whose presence Mary became the God-bearer, give you grace to bear the good news of Christ into the world. And the blessing of God almighty, Motherly, +Majestic, and Mighty, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

soul does mag - ni - fy My the 1 Lord; my spir - it 2 From this day all will call me blest, now through from 3 His mer - cy touch - es those who love, and those who their thrones, 4 He has cast the might - y from and he 5 He comes to all who seek his love, for he re -All God on high, and to his 6 glo - ry be to 7 Just as it it to - day, and it shall was, is 4 sings of God my Sav - ior, for he has looked with ing a - ges. great all the com The Lord has done an - oth serve . . . one er. And with great strength he has the low - ly. lift - ed fills the up He hun gry mem bers the prom - ise that he had made to - it Son, . . . God the Sav - ior, the Spir of and to last through all to - mor - rows, and so my soul mag-ni -0 fa his ser love and vor on low ly vant. things for name. me and ho ly is his scat - tered all the proud in their con ceit. with good things while oth ers turn way. а Α bra _ ham and to the chil dren of God. life that burns and truth with - in our hearts. fies the Lord; praise God for ev er. A - men. -

My Soul Does Magnify the Lord

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*DISMISSAL/DESPEDIDA Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!