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### As We Gather

The Easter season culminates in the High Priestly Prayer of Jesus; He prays for us, for our faith, for our unity, and for our mission of faith to the world. With Ascension just behind us, this prayer reminds us that Christ continues to address us and to speak on our behalf before the Father. He prays for our unity, for our endurance, and for our faithfulness. We still pray for these things every Sunday. His work is not complete in us, and He is still at work in us and through us.

**Prelude**      “Christ, High Ascended” - setting by Michael Costello

**HYMN:**      “On Christ’s Ascension, I Now Build” - *LSB* #492

### INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP


In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

God has ascended amid shouts of joy! Sing praises to our God!  
**Christ is risen! Christ has ascended! Christ will come again!**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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 our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

 Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**Faith Lutheran Church**

**Green Bay, Wisconsin**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the Feast"**

verse 1 - women;      verse 2 - men;  
verse 3 - women (double verse; no refrain between);      verse 4 - men

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God, Al-le-

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1. Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose  
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, And  
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, And  
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry and might, Be  
For the Lamb who was slain Has to be -

To Refrain

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.  
goun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia!

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God, Al-le-

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +**

**FIRST READING**

**Acts 1:12-26**

*Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas*

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,  
and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and  
"Let another take his office."

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

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**Thanks be to God.**

**Adult Choir: "Our God Has Gone Up" - Oreste Ravanello**

*Our God has gone up midst jubilation and joy.  
And Christ the Lord to the sound of the trumpet,  
Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL VERSE

Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.  
**Alleluia!**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

## HOLY GOSPEL

**John 17:11b-19**

And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to You O Christ.**

## NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures;  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and Giver of Life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the Prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Sunday: Children's Message Alex Wright - Director of Christian Education**

**HYMN: 10:30 and Monday "Christ High Ascended, Now in Glory Seated" - LSB #840**

**8:00 (next page)**

**"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (LSB #549) - arr. Hal Hopson**

*Congregation stands for stanza 4*

(Choir sings stanzas 1-3)

**CONGREGATION - stanza 4.**

O that with yon - der sa - cred  
thron - we at His feet may fall, we at His  
feet may fall.  
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing  
song and crown  
Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, and  
crown Him Lord of all.

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**SERMON:** Vicar Chase Greenhagen

**RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS**

**Gathering of the Offering**

Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the offertory we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.

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**PRAYERS**

**+ SACRAMENT +**  
(adapted from Divine Service, Setting Two in *Lutheran Service Book*, p. 177)

**PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And al-so with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**PROPER PREFACE**

SANCTUS LSB, p. 178

Holy, holy, holy Lord  
Lord God of pow'r and might  
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

A - men.

AGNUS DEI LSB, p. 180

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to the pastor about exceptions to this general practice. Please also note that this practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply understand our communing together as also a public profession of unity in doctrine, which not everyone shares. Those who do not commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to indicate that you are not communing) or remain in the pew during communion and pray, particularly for visible unity in the Christian Church.

Non-alcoholic wine is available in the individual cups. It is the clear wine in the cups at the center of the tray. Note: If you prefer to receive from the chalice, simply do not take one of the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"Lo, God to Heaven Ascending"

1. Lo, God to heav'n as-cend - ing! Great joy doth there a - bound;
2. With joy in heav'n re-sound - ing Christ's glad re - turn to see;—
3. No more the way is hid - den, Since Christ, our Head, a - rose:
4. Christ is our place pre-par - ing. To heav'n we too shall rise,—

With shouts tri - um - phant blend - ing The trum - pet's thril - ling sound.  
Be - hold the saints sur - round - ing The Lord who set them free,  
No more to man for - bid - den, The road to heav'n that goes;  
And joys an - gel - ic shar - ing, Be where our trea - sure lies:

Sing praise to Christ the Lord; Sing praise with ex - ul - ta - tion,  
Bright myr - iads, throng - ing come; The cher - ub band re - joic - es,  
Our Lord is gone be - fore, Yet here He will not leave us,  
There may each heart be found, Where Je - sus Christ has en - tered!

King of each dis - tant na - tion, The God of hosts a - dored!  
And loud ser - aph - ic voic - es All wel - come Je - sus home.  
But soon in heav'n re - ceive us: He o - pens wide the door.  
There let our hopes be cen - tered, Our course still heav'n - ward bound!

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" - LSB #821

"Draw Us to Thee" - LSB #701

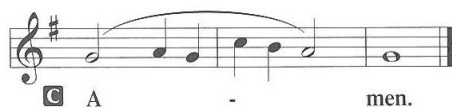
"The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns" - LSB #532

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**  
Amen.

**BENEDICTION**



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



Alleluia! Christ is Risen!  
**He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**HYMN: "Now Thank We All Our God" - LSB 895 (back page)**

**Postlude** Trumpet Tune in D - G. P. Telemann

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**"Now Thank We All Our God" - LSB 895**

1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,  
2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be giv-en,

Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re-joice-es;  
With ev-er joy-ful hearts And bless-ed peace to cheer us  
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high-est heav-en,

Who from our moth-ers' arms Has blest us on our way  
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per-plexed  
The one e-ter-nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a-dore;

With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to-day.  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev-er-more.