



*We invite, encourage, educate and empower  
all people to follow God and serve others."*

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Ascension of Our Lord

May 13, 2018

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**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**SONG**     *"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"*

**Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before your God, Come  
One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God  
One day ev'ry knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains for those  
Who gladly choose you now (REPEAT)**

**Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before your God, Come**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47

*Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a joyful sound.*

**For the LORD Most High is to be feared: a great king over all the earth, who subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet; who chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom God loves.**

*God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of the ram's horn.*

**Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our king, sing praises.**

*For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with a song.*

**God reigns over the nations; God is enthroned on high.**

*The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people of the God of Abraham.*

**The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is highly exalted.**

## SONG

*“Shout to the Lord”*

#821

## GREETING

*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.**

## PRAYER

*Almighty God,*

**your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Ephesians 1:15-23**

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may

know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,<sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.<sup>20</sup> God put this power to work 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 age to come.<sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church,<sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Luke 24:44-53**

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to the eleven and those with 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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,<sup>46</sup> and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,<sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.<sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.<sup>49</sup> And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been 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 was blessing them, he withdrew 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 they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**WELCOME THE CHILDREN** *Halle, Halle, Halle* #172  
**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!** (*repeat*)

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SONG**

*Halle, Halle, Halle*

#172

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!**

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (repeat)**

**SERMON**

*"No Limits"*

**HYMN**

*"I AM"*

**There's no space that His love can't reach**

**There's no place where we can't find peace**

**There's no end to amazing grace**

**Take me in with Your arms spread wide**

**Take me in like an orphan child**

**Never let go never leave my side**

**(Chorus)**

**I am holding onto You**

**I am holding onto You**

**In the middle of the storm**

**I am holding on (I am)**

**Love like this O my God to find**

**I am overwhelmed with a joy divine**

**Love like this sets our hearts on fire**

**This is my resurrection song**

**This is my hallelujah come**

**This is why it's to You I run**

**(REPEAT)**

**There's no space that His love can't reach**

**There's no place where we can't find peace**

**There's no end to amazing grace**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,**

**and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**He ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**He will come again 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**

## **OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit  
in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us  
love, send us pow'r, send us grace. (Repeat)**

Prayer petitions are read

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit  
in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us  
love, send us pow'r, send us grace. (Repeat)**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **BENEDICTION**

**SENDING SONG**    *"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!"*    #393

## **DISMISSAL**

*Alleluia! Christ is risen.*

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.*

*Go in peace. Share the good news.*

**Thanks be to God.**

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**SERVING TODAY:**

**Greeters/Ushers** –Darrell and Donna Zuerlein

**Readers** – Margie Neugebauer

**Music** – Praise Team

**MOTHER'S DAY BUFFET @ AMERICAN LEGION**

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (May 20th):**

**Greeters/Ushers**–Jake and Dani Borden Family

**Reader** – Wyone Leonard

**Communion Prep/Assit:** Dani and Alex Borden

**Music** – Karen Lescarboursa

**Fellowship Servers** – Joy Neugebauer

**Acolyte-** Jayden Borden



**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS!!**

**REGISTRATION  
FORMS ARE IN  
THE OFFICE.**

# Announcements

STAY IN THE LOOP

## ***WELCOME to our worship service***

*If you would like to be added to our church mailing list or have other information you would like us to know, please fill out an information card located with the hymnals.*

### Today, Monday, May 13th

*Mother's Day*

9:30am Worship (No fellowship @ OSL)

10am-12:30pm Mother's Day Buffet @ Hermosa American Legion

### Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

6:00pm Bible Study

### Tuesday, May 15th

7:00am Men's Breakfast (will meet at either OSL or Flying J)

9:00am Bible Study

### Wednesday, May 16

6:30-7:30pm VBS Orientation for all volunteers

### Thursday, May 17th

3:00-5:00pm Hermosa/Fairburn Community Food Bank open

### Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

*Wear RED for Pentecost*

9:30am Worship/Communion

11:00am Church Council Meets

### **Other important dates coming up:**

**Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>** – Graduation Milestone during Worship

**Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>** – Round Table Discussion about Synod Assembly following worship

**Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup>** – Synod Assembly starts

**Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** – Vacation Bible School starts! Registration forms are in the office

**Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>** – Youth and Leaders leave for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston TX

# PRAYER

Seeking God with all your heart

*Praying for one another is vital to our community of faith and part of being a member of the priesthood of all believers. If you or a family member wishes to be included in this printed prayer list, please contact Josie in the church office.*

We pray for the comfort and strength for those who have recently lost loved ones.

We pray for the health and healing of those ill or hospitalized and their caregivers:

Katie Swanson (Friend of Mike and Diana Baschnagel)  
Dell (Friend of Bill and Tammy Dennert)  
Colby and Haley Jackson (Nephew and Niece of Toni Ramsey)  
Chelle Schefcick  
Kim Hall (Daughter of Faye Delaney)  
Savannah (Friend of Wyone)  
Nate Bibbly (Cousin of Mikkey Twitero)  
Cindy Twitero (sister-in-law of Mikkey)  
Joyce Thompson (sister of John and Bruce Sunding)  
Todd Ennen

We pray for those with ongoing concerns:

Peg Tesch  
Ryan Reichardt (friend of Donley Hewett)  
Fred Steckman (brother of Wyone and Joy)  
Don Aduddell  
Val (sister-in-law of Steve & Patti Pendegraft)  
Bernie Quaschnick  
Kelly Edwards  
Dennis Hempler (brother of Dixie Clark)  
Suzan Heidelberger