

# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

*Connecting people to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.*



**The Ascension of our Lord**

**May 16, 2021**

**8:00 & 10:45 am**

## *Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church!*

We greet you in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. We are glad you are worshiping with our family of faith and rejoice with you as God comes to us through His Word this day to bring His gift of forgiveness and life in Jesus.

If you have any questions, please seek out one of the ushers who will be happy to assist you. **Pastor Schultz & Pastor Ada look forward to meeting you at the end of the service.**

**HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available. Please talk to an usher.**

**YOUNG CHILDREN** We believe that young children need to be brought to Jesus (Mark 10:14); and what better way than to include them in the regular worship life of the congregation! We **DO NOT** have a staffed nursery during church because we **encourage families to worship together.** Children's bulletins and worship activity bags are available to help quietly occupy those children too young to listen to the sermon. Please ask an usher for assistance. Please feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

### **EDUCATION HOUR**

**Adult Bible Class:** Please join us for our series on "Worship." It will take place at 9:30am in the sanctuary or on-line streaming.

**Sunday School:** Classes are offered for children who have turned 3 by September 1 through high school. Please ask an usher for assistance in locating Sunday school classrooms.

**Nursery:** Until further notice there WILL NOT be a staffed nursery during the Sunday School hour.

**HOLY COMMUNION** In Holy Communion we celebrate the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as He gives us His true body and blood in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. In love for God's Word and in love for God's people, we do not want anyone to receive this blessed gift to their spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:27-29). **Therefore, anyone who wishes to commune here for the first time and who is not a member of Beautiful Savior or a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, is asked to speak with Pastor Schultz or Pastor Ada before receiving Holy Communion.** Those not communing are still welcome to come receive a blessing.



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## **Order of Service: Divine Service 2**

### **AS WE GATHER**

#### ***The Ascended Lord Jesus Is with Us Always in His Church on Earth***

After He rose from the dead, the Lord Jesus presented Himself alive to the apostles, *“appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God”* (Acts 1:3). When He ascended to the right hand of the Father, He did not orphan His Church, but He fills all things in heaven and on earth and gives gifts to His disciples. Even now, through His Church, He continues *“to do and teach”* (Acts 1:1), preaching *“repentance for the forgiveness of sins”* (Luke 24:47), even *“to the end of the earth”* (Acts 1:8). Though the cloud hid Jesus from the sight of His disciples then, and He remains hidden from sight even now, He remains with His people through His Gospel and Sacraments. He comes to us by the word of His apostles, by the promise of His Father and by the power of the Holy Spirit, whom He pours out upon *“the church, which is his body”* (Eph. 1:22–23). In this Holy Christian Church, we bless God and worship Christ with joy, for in His Church He blesses us with forgiveness, lifts us up in His hands and seats us with Himself *“in the heavenly places”* (Eph. 1:20).

### **MUSIC FOR MEDITATION**

#### **PRELUDE**

***Crown Him with Many Crowns***

John A. Behnke

#### **PASTOR GREETING**

# OPENING HYMN

# A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

LSB 493



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New  
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -  
 3 To them the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why  
 4 "You see Him now, as - cend - ing high Up



hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,  
 on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia,  
 stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia,  
 to the por - tals of the sky." Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
 al - le - lu - ia! And with His faith - ful fol - l'wers  
 al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior," thus they  
 al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall



trod, As - cends un - to the throne of  
 see Their Lord as - cend in maj - es -  
 say; "This is His glo - rious tri - umph  
 see Re - turn - ing in great maj - es -



God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 ty. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 day!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 ty." Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



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

5. **Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,  
And be our future great reward.  
Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Then, throned with You forever, we  
Shall praise Your name eternally.  
Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

△ 6. **O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
All praise to You let earth accord:  
Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**You are, while endless ages run,  
With Father and with Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## ✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

### INVOCATION

*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of your Baptism.)*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*Matthew 28:19b*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins  
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*1 John 1:8-9*

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and to confess our personal and specific sins.)*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **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.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy... and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*[John 20:19-23]*

## ✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*This is the Feast*

LSB 171



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray:

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.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

## FIRST READING

**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."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**



## ANTHEM

**Hymn to Joy**  
arr. Delancy  
**Laudate Ringers**

*Use the following words to meditate on as  
the Handbells are playing.*

1. *Alleluia, song of gladness,  
Voice of joy that cannot die;  
Alleluia is the anthem  
Ever raised by choirs on high;  
In the house of God abiding  
Thus they sing eternally.*
2. *Alleluia, thou resoundest,  
True Jerusalem and free;  
Alleluia, joyful mother,  
All thy children sing with thee,  
But by Babylon's sad waters  
Mourning exiles now are we.*
3. *Alleluia cannot always  
Be our song while here below;  
Alleluia, our transgressions  
Make us for a while forgo;  
For the solemn time is coming  
When our tears for sin must flow.*
4. *Therefore in our hymns we pray Thee,  
Grant us, blessed Trinity,  
At the last to keep Thine Easter  
With Thy faithful saints on high;  
There to Thee forever singing  
Alleluia joyfully.*

## 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.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

## GOSPEL VERSE

Common

John 6:68



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

*On this festival day of The Ascension of Our Lord, a procession brings the reading of the Gospel into the midst of the worshippers reminding us that the Gospel belongs to all of God's people. By faith, we recognize the Lord's voice as the pastor reads.*

**Turn to follow the cross from the chancel to the middle of the sanctuary.**

HYMN

***We Know that Christ Was Raised***

**LSB 603**

- 1. We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
Embraced by death, He broke its fearful hold;  
And our despair He turned to blazing joy.  
Alleluia!**

HOLY GOSPEL

**Luke 24:44-53**

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>44</sup>Then he 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.

*(We pause the reading of the Gospel as the Paschal/Easter candle is extinguished symbolizing the removal of Christ's visible presence.)*

<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.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **HYMN**

## ***We Know that Christ Was Raised*** **LSB 603**

- 2. We share by water in His saving death.  
Reborn, we share with Him an Easter life  
As living members of a living Christ.  
Alleluia!**
  
- 3. The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.  
The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God.  
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One.  
Alleluia!**

*Sit*

## READING THE FAITH *(as drawn from Luther's Small Catechism)*

### CONFESSION

**P** What is Confession?

**C** **Confession has two parts.**

**First, that we confess our sins and**

**Second that we receive absolution, that is forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.**

**P** What sins should we confess?

**C** **Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.**

**P** Which are these?

**C** **Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Ada

# SERMON HYMN

# Up through Endless Ranks of Angels

LSB 491



1 Up through end - less ranks of an - gels, Cries of tri - umph  
2 Death - de - stroy - ing, life - re - stor - ing, Prov - en e - qual  
3 To our lives of wan - ton wan - d'ring Send Your Spir - it,  
4 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Oh, to breathe the



in His ears, To His heav'n - ly throne as - cend - ing,  
to our need, Now for us be - fore the Fa - ther  
prom - ised guide; Through our lives of fear and fail - ure  
Spir - it's grace! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Hav - ing van - quished all their fears, Christ looks down up -  
As our broth - er in - ter - cede; Flesh that for our  
With Your pow'r and love a - bide; Wel - come us, as  
Oh, to see the Fa - ther's face! Al - le - lu - ia,



on His faith - ful, Leav - ing them in hap - py tears.  
world was wound - ed, Liv - ing, for the wound - ed plead!  
You were wel - comed, To an end - less Eas - ter - tide.  
al - le - lu - ia! Oh, to feel the Son's em - brace!

# SERMON

*Witnesses*

**Luke 24:44-53**

**Pastor Mike Ada**

*Stand*

## APOSTLES' CREED

**☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence 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.**

*Sit*

## BLESSING AND SENDING OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Pastor: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, it is with joy that we come together today as you are about to begin another step in your lives as Children of God. As you graduate, your family of faith here at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church would like to send you with God's Word. Jesus said, *"Everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven."* (Matthew 10:32-33) Jesus said, *"Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."* (Matthew 5:17)

Brothers and sisters, you have been baptized, taught the Christian faith in Sunday School and confessed that faith in Confirmation. As you go out into the world, you go as witnesses of that faith in Jesus' death and resurrection for our sins and the life of faith that we live.

Pastor: Hear these words from our Lord in the book of Hebrews: *"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the day drawing near."* (Hebrews 10:23-25)

The Lord's encouragement and ours is that you continue to worship faithfully so that you continue to receive God's gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation and that your faith will be strengthened for this task.

Pastor: As you continue your walk, in faith, your parents would like to send you with these Words from Paul's letter to the church in Colossae.

**Parents:** ***Remember children: "Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person."*** (Colossians. 4:2, 5)

Pastor: As your family of faith your congregation would also like you to heed these Words from the Apostle Peter.

**Congregation:** ***"Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in your faith."*** (1 Peter 5:6-9a)

Pastor: As you start to make your own path in this world, rest on the promises of God and seek your Savior Jesus in prayer. And so even now we echo Paul's exhortation for you: *"Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as*

*shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.” (Ephesians 6:14-18)*

The congregation would like to give you a gift that can be a great resource for you in your life as a child of God and be a great help to you in your prayer life.

*Stand*

Pastor: Let us pray: Dear heavenly Father, we give you thanks for the youth of our church and the educational accomplishments they have achieved. We ask that You would bless them as they continue in their educational or vocational endeavors. Continue to strengthen their faith in You and rule their hearts and lives by the working of the Holy Spirit as they continue to faithfully hear Your Word and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; through the same Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever, Amen.

Pastor: Go in Peace and serve the Lord.

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** O Lord, since Your Son has gone up with a shout and the sound of a trumpet, ascended in triumph and seated at Your right hand, so open our lips to sing praises to our King, rejoicing and living in the truth of His victory for us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**



**P** O Lord, Your Son has commanded us to go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole creation. Bless the proclamation of Your Church, that many may believe, be baptized and be saved. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, Your Son has ascended to sit at Your right hand until You make His enemies His footstool. Fix our eyes on Him, ruling in the midst of His enemies, that we may not fear them but abide in His peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, since Your Son will shatter kings when He executes judgment on the nations, keep \_\_\_\_\_ and all our leaders from acting in ways that will earn them His wrath. Bless them with wisdom to govern us in accord with Your righteous ways. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, as believers in Your Son's name, we call on You to deliver \_\_\_\_\_ and all who suffer in our midst from sickness of body and mind and every other power of the enemy. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, keep us from hardness of heart and unbelief. Help us, by Your Spirit, to believe the witness of those who saw Your Son after He had risen and to joyfully recline at table with Him today, eating His body and drinking His blood in a worthy manner. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

# OFFERING

## OFFERING PRAYER

### ✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

#### PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.** *2 Timothy 4:22*
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.** *[Colossians 3:1]*
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.** *Psalm 136*

#### PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and singing:

#### SANCTUS~~(Latin: Holy, Holy, Holy)

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



**LORD’S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9-11*

- P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,**  
**hallowed be Thy name,**  
**Thy kingdom come,**  
**Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;**  
**give us this day our daily bread;**  
**and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;**  
**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;  
 Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**PAX DOMINI**~~(Latin: Peace of the Lord)

*John 20:19*

*(The pastor here makes a **declaration** of the peace we have with the Lord through the forgiveness offered in this Sacrament. Therefore, we boldly respond **AMEN!** – which means “Yes, yes, this is so!”)*

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **Amen!**

**AGNUS DEI**~~(Latin: Lamb of God)

*John 1:29*



sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of  
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

## DISTRIBUTION

**VISITORS, please read the statement concerning Holy Communion on page 2.**

### **Personal Examination Before Communing**

1. Do I believe I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Christ's true body and blood to be present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of sins?
3. Do I earnestly intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

### **Instructions for Communing**

The congregation will be ushered forward to stand/kneel. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. When you are finished, reverence the altar and return to your seat for meditation and prayer. Those not communing will receive a blessing from the pastor.

**Non-alcoholic white wine** is located in the center of each tray and should only be used by those with medical conditions prohibiting the use of wine.

**Gluten-free wafers** are available from the pastor when you come forward.

# DISTRIBUTION HYMN

## *On Christ's Ascension I Now Build*

LSB 492



1 On Christ's as - cen - sion I now build The hope of my as -  
2 Since Christ re - turned to claim His throne, Great gifts for me ob -  
3 O grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Re - call - ing Your as -



cen - sion; This hope a - lone has al - ways stilled All doubt and  
tain - ing, My heart will rest in Him a - lone, No oth - er  
cen - sion, That I may serve You faith - ful - ly In thanks for



ap - pre - hen - sion; For where the Head is, there as well I  
rest re - main - ing; For where my trea - sure went be - fore, There  
my re - demp - tion; And then, when all my days will cease, Let



know His mem - bers are to dwell When Christ will come and call them,  
all my thoughts will ev - er soar To still their deep - est yearn - ing,  
me de - part in joy and peace In an - swer to my plead - ing.

# DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

LSB 821



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the  
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is  
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the  
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.  
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.  
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.  
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the  
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -  
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of  
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -  
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of  
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."  
 get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

5. **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;**  
**His the scepter, His the throne;**  
**Alleluia! His the triumph,**  
**His the victory alone.**  
**Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion**  
**Thunder like a mighty flood:**  
**"Jesus out of ev'ry nation**  
**Has redeemed us by His blood."**

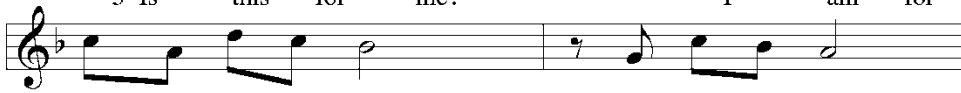
**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

***What Is This Bread***

**LSB 629**



1 What is this bread?	Christ's bod - y
2 What is this wine?	The blood of
3 So who am I,	That I should
4 Yet is God here?	Oh, yes! By
5 Is this for me?	I am for -



ris - en from the dead;	This bread we break,
Je - sus shed for mine;	The cup of grace
live and He should die	Un - der the rod?
Word and prom - ise clear,	In mouth and soul
giv - en and set free!	I do be - lieve



This life we take,	Was crushed to pay for our re -
Brings His em - brace	Of life and love un - til I
My God, my God,	Why have You not for - sak - en
He makes us whole—	Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
That I re - ceive	His ver - y bod - y and His



lease.	O taste and see—	the Lord is peace.
sing!	O taste and see—	the Lord is King.
me?	O taste and see—	the Lord is free.
meal.	O taste and see—	the Lord is real.
blood.	O taste and see—	the Lord is good.

*Stand*

## DISMISSAL

### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

#### *Thank the Lord*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

#### BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- P** The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

*Psalm 103:1*

*Numbers 6:24-26*



## CLOSING HYMN

## *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

LSB 525



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;  
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,  
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,  
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.  
Whose arm those crim-son tro-phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:  
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And  
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The  
No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But  
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.  
down - ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.

5. **Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,  
Enthroned in worlds above,  
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n  
The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown Him with many crowns  
As thrones before Him fall;  
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,  
For He is king of all.**

## POSTLUDE

## *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*

Ralph C. Schultz

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## Serving the Lord and Us Today:

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Celebrant.....	Pastor Mike Ada
Liturgist.....	Vicar Luke Elowsky
Organist.....	Deb Miller
Laude Ringers.....	Lauran Delancy, director
Acolytes.....	(8:00) Cora Delancy & George Delancy
.....	(10:45) Leo Bertels & Sydney Hughey
Crucifers.....	(8:00) Peter Yarnell (10:45)
Altar Guild.....	Alaina Booth., Mary Jane Rees, Deb Hodnik, Carol Brandt
Counters.....	Todd Scheumann, George Ledgerwood, Juan Martinez, Debbie Johnson
Altar Flowers.....	Donna Rinne

**ALTAR FLOWERS** that adorn our altar this morning were given to the glory of God by Donna Rinne for the celebration of the Life of Bill Rinne.

## **Voice of the Martyrs prayer request**

### **Opposition Increasing as Many Muslims are Turning to Christ - Malawi**

Muslims in Malawi are staging rallies and making threats as many are placing faith in Christ. A front-line worker said, "We have seen an unusual move of the Holy Spirit as Muslims are putting their trust in Christ in large numbers." In response, Muslim groups throughout Malawi are mobilizing to convince those who have converted to Christianity to return to Islam, and they are threatening new believers to choose between following Christ or being killed. "They have declared this a fight, and they are asking every Muslim to take this seriously because their territory has been invaded by Christianity," the front-line worker shared. Amid this opposition, believers in Malawi are standing firm in Christ. "I am not afraid at all. The fire of the gospel has been lit in the Yao Land, and no gates of hell will stop it," the worker said. Pray for wisdom and boldness for these believers as they face increased hostility from those who wish to silence their witness for Christ. Pray that this movement of God will continue and many more Muslims will place their trust in Christ.

## PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For our high school graduates: **Michael Buckendahl, Carson Maack, Senna McMullen, Isaiah McMullen** and **Emma Schempp**.

For our college graduates: **Austin Raetzel, Meg Voigt, Nora Voigt, Allayna Scheumann, Jacob Martin** and **Rachel Norem**.

For **all teachers and students** to finish the school year strong and to be safe on summer vacations.

For **Eddie & Julie Flores** as they celebrate the birth of a baby girl, **Sophia Rose**, last Sunday;

For **Helen Claudy**, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

For **Lloyd Harfst**, grandfather of Matt Riechers, who has been re-hospitalized for complications of his recent back surgery.

For **Jim & Patti Adams**, prayer for reconciliation with their younger son.

For **Jacob & Beth Offermann** who were married last Sunday.

## CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Rachel Hanrahan**, daughter of Becky Hanrahan, suffering from a broken collar bone, broken ribs, punctured lung and many lacerations to her face and head after an ATV accident.

For **Kendra Bremer**, daughter-in-law of Steve & Marilyn Bremer, who is in ICU in Baton Rouge with COVID.

For **John Willey**, Andrew Willey's father, diagnosed with COVID.

For **Adison Jones**, a seventh grade student at Hope Lutheran and class mate of Joel Ada, who will be undergoing surgery for a hole in her heart.

For **our expectant mothers: Stephanie (Seutter) Thomas** and their unborn children. Also for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **Susan Mountain, Mary Rinne, Eric Hundley, Ellie Torres, Jenni Patience, Karen Lentz, John Mahnken, Brandon Ryan, Pat Brackin, Ashley Hung, Pat Gossen, Barb Gossen, and Moriah Obermueller** continuing treatments for cancer; for **Sherri Webb** as she continues to recover from her stroke and foot surgery.

**For our partner church in Zacapa, Guatemala:** Pray the God would help those with Covid. Pray that God would bless this congregation with church members and the community that they would be strengthened and encouraged in His faith as well.

**For all those who are unemployed or under-employed**, that the Lord would provide for all their needs and lead them to jobs soon. For those who have secured jobs, we offer prayers of thanksgiving.