SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



He Ascended into Heaven

ASCENSION SUNDAY

Order of Worship for Sunday, May 12, 2024 8:30 am Service & Live Stream Service Parking Lot – Radio Broadcast-107.1 FM

INVOCATION In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

GATHERING HYMN

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Hymn #522

Come, Thou Almighty King, help us Thy name to sing; help us to praise; Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word, gird on Thy mighty sword; our prayer attend, come and Thy people bless, and give Thy Word success, and let Thy righteousness on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour! Thou who almighty art, now rule in ev'ry heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence, evermore! Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, Your power was at work when Christ was raised from the dead and seated at Your right hand. (Ephesians 1:20)

Guide us to fear and love you above all things on this earth.

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church and have dominion over all things.

Forgive us when we do not give You dominion in our lives.

Holy Spirit, through You we are given wisdom and revelation as we come to know who Jesus Christ Is.

Forgive us when we think it is through our own wisdom and understanding that we come to know Christ.

(moment of silence for personal reflection and self-examination)

Our Heavenly Father sent His Son Jesus Christ, that we may know His forgiveness through the waters of baptism and faith in Him. Guide us to trust in Jesus who has, "rule and authority and power and dominion" (Ephesians 1:21) over all things, that we may follow Him. By grace you are saved through faith in Jesus Christ! As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to those who do truly repent and believe in Jesus Christ, the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

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 OF THE DAY

Hymn of the Day

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

Almighty God, Your only Son our Lord, was taken up into heaven and You have put all things under His feet. He is, "the head over all things for the Church." (Ephesians 1:22) May we witness to what He has done, until the day when Christ comes again and we see Him as He Is; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PASTOR'S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

	THE WORD	
FIRST READING (When Reading is concluded, th	Acts 1:1-11 ne congregation responds, "Thanks be to God.")	NT p. 993
SECOND READING (When Reading is concluded, th	Ephesians 1:15-23 ne congregation responds, "Thanks be to God.")	NT p. 1066
Special Music	Children's Choir	
Gospel Acclamation:	"Alleluia"	p. 83
Y	Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? ou have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.	
•	Luke 24:44-53 ed, the congregation says "Glory to you, O Lord!" the congregation says, "Praise to you, O Christ!"	•
SERMON	"just wait"	Pastor David Irgens

Now all the vault of heaven resounds in praise of love that still abounds; "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"

Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here; "Christ has triumphed, Christ has triumphed!"

Alleluia, Alleluia!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

Hymn #143

Eternal is the gift he brings, therefore our heart with rapture sings;

"Christ hath triumphed! He is living!"

Now still he comes to give us life; and by his presence stills all strife

Christ has triumphed! He is living!;

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; set heart and will on things above, that we conquer through Your triumph;
Grant grace sufficient for life's day, that by our lives we truly say;
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Adoring praises now we bring and with the heav'nly blessed sing, "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"

Be to the Father, and our Lord, to Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory never ending! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

RECEPTION OF OFFERING

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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

SENDING
SENDING HYMN "O God, My Faithful God" Hymn #504

O God, my faithful God, true fountain ever flowing, without whom nothing is, all perfect gifts bestowing, give me a healthy frame, and may I have within a conscience free from blame, a soul unstained by sin.

Give me the strength to do with ready heart and willing whatever you command, my calling here fulfilling, to do it when I ought with all my strength and bless Whatever I have wrought, for you must give success.

Keep me from saying words that later need recalling; guard me, lest idle speech may from my lips be falling But when within my place, I must and ought to speak, Then to my words give grace, lest I offend the weak.

When dangers gather round, Oh, keep me calm and fearless; Help me to bear the cross when life seems dark and cheerless; Help me, as you have taught, to love both great and small, And by your Spirit's might, to live at peace with all.

BENEDICTION Go in peace and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 93

- ¹The LORD is king, he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed, he is girded with strength. He has established the world; it shall never be moved;
- ²your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.
- ³The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.
- ⁴More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the LORD!
- ⁵Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.

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WORSHIP:

Sat 5:00 pm In-Person and Radio Broadcast, (107.1 FM) for the Parking Lot Sun 8:30 In-Person, 10:30 AM-In-Person, & Livestream David Irgens, Senior Pastor, Dan Doran, Associate Pastor Melissa Corlett: Education Director, Kathy Jaenke, Office Manager Choir Director: Hannah DeYoung, Kristina Johnson, Children's Choir Director Keith Muchow, (Videography), Seth Anderson-Lind, (Audio)