Acts 1:11





This same Jesus

who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven

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Ascension Sunday

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Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 47

Pre- Service Prayer

TLH 215 Draw Us to Thee



Service of the Word

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 213 Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

TLH pg 41

- P God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.
- C If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanses us from all sin.
- P If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us pray:
- Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting.
- P Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence, we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need.
- P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

Hymn of Praise

TLH 244 v. 1

If Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah, Three in One Glory, Glory, while eternal ages run! If

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C (spoken) And also with you.
- P Let us pray. . .
- C Amen.

Part I: Jesus is Ascended

Ascension Harmony from Luke and Acts

And [Jesus] led them out as far as Bethany, and being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom of Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He lifted up His hands and blessed them. Now it came to pass, while He blessed them, that He was parted from them and carried up into heaven and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven." And they worshipped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God. Amen.





Part II: He is Ruling for you

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 47 (selected verses)

- P Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples!
- C Shout to God with the voice of triumph!
- P For the Lord Most High is awesome;
- C He is a great King over all the earth.
- P God has gone up with a shout,
- C The Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
- P Sing praises to God, sing praises!
- C Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
- P For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding.
- C God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne.

Hymn TLH 223 We Thank Thee, Jesus, Dearest Friend (vv. 1-2, 4)

Part III: He is Praying for you

Scripture Reading

John 17:20-23; 1 John 2:1-2

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; 21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. 22 And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: 23 I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

Hymn

WS 737 Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels (vv. 1-2)

Part IV: He is Preparing a Place for you

Scripture Reading

John 14:1-6

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know."

5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

Confession of Faith: 2nd Article of the Apostles' Creed + Explanation

I believe 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.

- P What does this mean?
- I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Hymn

TLH 216 On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

Part V: The Lord is giving Gifts

Sermon Text Ephesians 4:7-16

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men."

- 9 (Now this, "He ascended"—what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)
- 11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, 13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; 14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, 15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Theme: What Jesus is Doing Now

Preaching: Pastor Wayne Eichstadt

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Offertory

TLH 343 (vv. 6-7)

Offering

Prayer of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed by 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

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

LSB 493 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing (vv. 5-6)

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!

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Silent Prayer

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Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Please wait to be ushered out of the sanctuary. Please do not leave any bulletins or other materials behind. **Offerings** may be left in the offering plate in the narthex or mailed to the church.

Guest and Visitors, we are delighted to have you here for worship with us this morning and are grateful for the opportunity to share the saving gospel message of Jesus Christ with you! We invite you to sign our guest book in the entryway. Please speak to the members and pastor after worship to learn more about the Gospel ministry here at *Trinity*. We hope to worship with you again soon!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE CLASS & SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible Class – SUMMER RECESS (no bible class)
Sunday School – SUMMER RECESS (no Sunday school)

MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS – We will be resuming our midweek bible class this Wednesday evening (6/1) at 6:00pm at church. It is always a helpful and beneficial thing to review the foundational teachings of our faith, and so we will be working through an adult instruction course for our study. Snacks and decaf coffee will be provided. We hope you'll be able to join us!

DAILY REST RENEWAL — Thanks to everyone who has gotten back to me about your desires to subscribe or renew their Daily Rest subscriptions! If you haven't let me know yet (particularly if you are a shut-in or members at a distance), please do so at your earliest convenience. Even if you prefer to pay the ILC book house directly for your subscription, it's helpful for us to keep track of who is subscribed and how they intend to pay so that Trinity can send the right payment amount in. Subscriptions are \$15 per year, they come in quarterly installments, and they are an excellent resource to stay rooted in the word each day!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – We are currently planning to hold our vacation bible school sometime toward the end of July or the beginning of August. If you are able to help teach a lesson, crafts, or music, or would like to help distribute fliers when the time comes, please let Pastor Naumann know. VBS

is a wonderful opportunity to preach the sweet gospel to children who may not otherwise hear it. So, if you can, please help facilitate our ministry to the youth of Spokane!

PRAYERS REQUESTED

- We keep in our prayers the communities of **Uvalde**, **Texas** following the tragic shooting at Robb Elementary School. May the Lord of Light grant peace and comfort to the families and friends of the victims and to all others affected during these dark days. May the hope of the resurrection shine as a beacon into the hearts of all believers as we eagerly await our Lord's return, when He will wipe away every tear from our eyes.
- Last week, Paul Hein was admitted to the hospital after suffering an
 accident at his nursing home. He has since returned but has suffered
 a painful injury to his knee. Please keep Paul in your prayers that
 God may grant him comfort of body and soul during his recovery.
- As we view the ongoing conflict in **Ukraine**, may our Almighty God protect His children in that part of the world. With the many catastrophes that have taken place and continue to arise, may the Spirit lead us to look forward to Christ's return with eyes of faith which longingly hope for the eternal peace of heaven assured to us for Jesus' sake!
- A reminder to keep Trinity's gospel ministry in your prayers. May
 the Lord bless our labors in Spokane as a congregation and as
 individuals in sharing the hope of Easter and the empty tomb with
 others so that many may turn to Jesus and be saved through the
 hearing and believing of His Word.

CALL NEWS

- Pastor David Ude, Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, has <u>returned</u> the call to Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA.
- Pastor Samuel Naumann, Resurrection Lutheran Church, Corpus Christi, TX, has <u>received</u> the call to Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA.

MOWING SCHEDULE		
This week	Nate Everett	
6/11	Isaac Everett	
6/18	Dennis Lux	

	Attendance	Offering
5/1/22	18	\$2421
5/8/22	22	\$1050
5/15/22	19	\$950
5/22/22	16	\$1285

JUNE CLEANING SCHEDULE		
North Entry	Karen Clark	
Sanctuary	Jeanne Helke	
Basement	Karla Toll	

GREETER SCHEDULE		
Next Sunday	Dennis & Linda Lux	
6/4	Tom & Molly Bettinger	
6/11	Pastor Naumann	

