

**St. Timothy Lutheran Church, ELCA**

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**Ascension**

May 29, 2022

9:30  
Worship Service



## Ascension

*Currently the CDC has defined Dupage County at medium risk for the spread of COVID-19. Wearing a mask during worship is encouraged. Please stay home if you are feeling ill or showing symptoms of any kind.*

*Our time of worship begins with quiet reflection during the Prelude.  
(Please be reminded to silence your cell phone.)*

### Gathering

Welcome

Prelude

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, O Living One, for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Oceans and aquifers praise you. Rivers and streams bless you. All life is sustained by you, our Source. We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life. Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing through the city of God. Here, death is washed away forever. Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the world. Pour out your Holy Spirit on this assembly, into this community, and throughout all creation. Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions. Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn..... **“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”** ..... #392  
(Stanzas 1, 2 & 5)

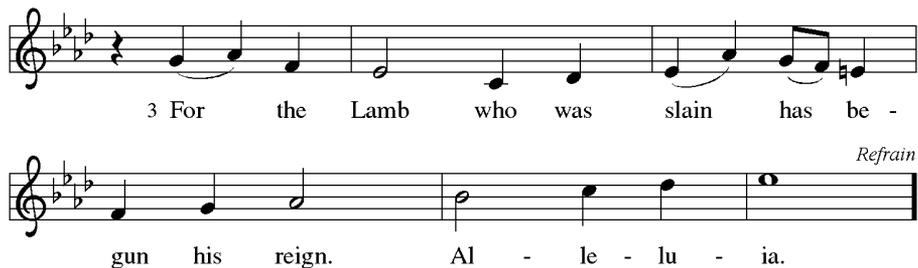
Greeting

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.**

This is the Feast





### Prayer of the Day

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.**

### Children's Sermon

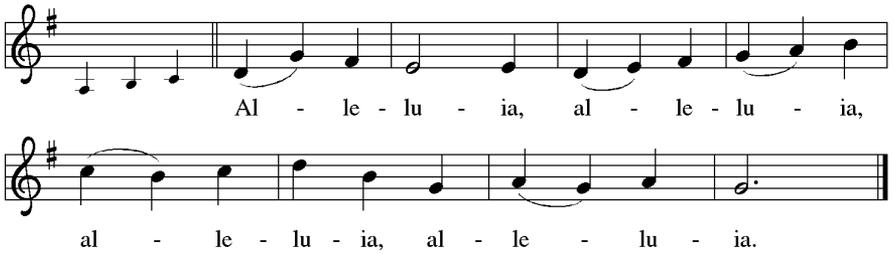
First Reading ..... *Acts 1:1-11*

[Luke writes:] <sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have 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, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set 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, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

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

Alleluia Verse



The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty fourth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel 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.

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

Sermon ..... *Pastor Sarah Swindall*  
*Copies of the sermon can be found on the worship table.*

Hymn of the Day ..... **“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!”** ..... **#393**  
*(Verses 1, 4 & 5)*

Prayers of Intercession

*After each petition the Assistant says:*

Gracious God,

*The people respond:*

**receive our prayer.**

*After the final petition, the people say:*

**Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Offering Anthem ..... "I Will Be With You" ..... *Moore*  
*(Vicki Oftedal)*

Offertory Prayer

Risen One, as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake.

**Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right.... praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

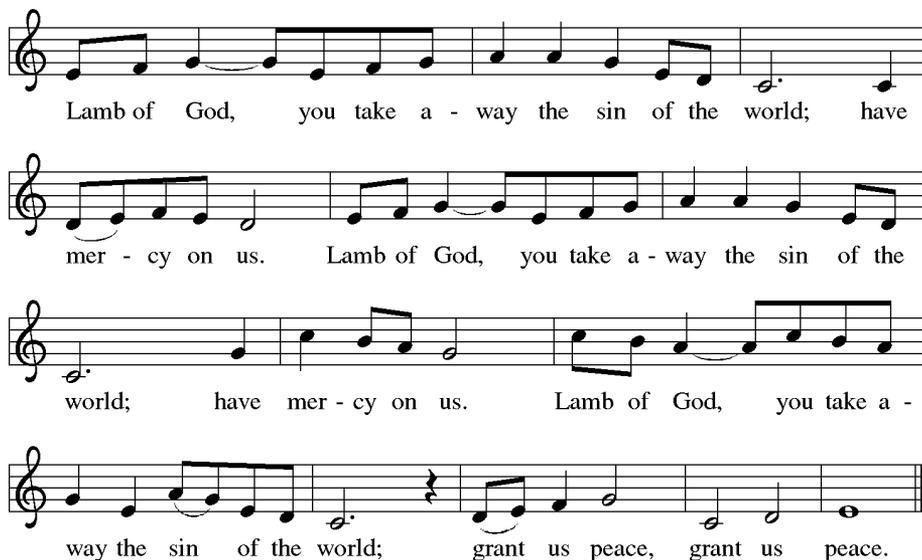
The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Invitation to Holy Communion

*All people are invited to the Lord's table of grace. Children who have not yet received Holy Communion instruction are invited forward to receive a blessing. We offer Holy Communion by individual glass. For those who prefer them, grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available from the pastors.*

### Lamb of God



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

***Before and after you receive communion, please spend time in silent prayer for yourself and for everyone in our congregation. You are invited to visit the prayer wall and write a prayer and place it on the wall.***

Communion Music..... *Rachmaninov Concert 2*  
(Sarai Sansone—violin)

Post-Communion Prayer

Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Benediction

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Closing Hymn..... **“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”**..... #579  
*(Stanzas 1, 2 & 5)*

Dismissal

People of God, what have you been called to do?

**Live the love of Christ!!**

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*If you are a visitor, we welcome you as brothers and sisters in Christ as together we “Live the love of Christ.” We are happy you are here, and we would like to get to know you. As you leave the sanctuary, please introduce yourself to the pastors and sign the guest register at the Welcome Center in the narthex.*

**If you would like to make a prayer request, please email  
Arline Johnson at [sttimothyprays@gmail.com](mailto:sttimothyprays@gmail.com)**

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*Words for Worship, Year C*  
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