

The Ascension of Jesus

May 17, 2026

525 Crown Him with Many Crowns



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
5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



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.
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won - drous name of Love.



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
Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



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.
Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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Invocation

- L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Kyrie

- L** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession and Absolution

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- L** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- L** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John:
"This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin."
- C** Amen.

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

Isaiah 44:21-23

- L** Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant;
- C** I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.
- L** I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like a mist;
- C** Return to me, for I have redeemed you.
- L** Sing, O heavens, for the LORD has done it; shout, O depths of the earth;
- C** For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and will be glorified in Israel.
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Service of the Word

Psalm

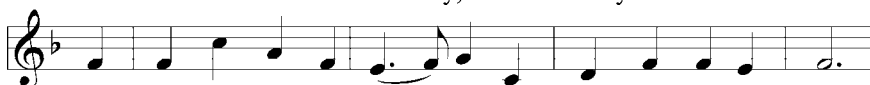
Psalm 47

- L** Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
- C** For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.
- L** He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.
- C** He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
- L** God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
- C** Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
- L** For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!
- C** God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.
- L** The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis



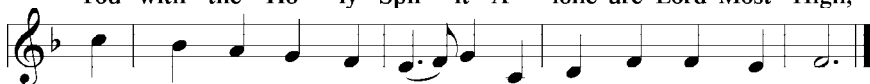
- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
- 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
- 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And 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; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But 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.” ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and 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

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 1:15–23

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that 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, ¹⁸having 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, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far 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. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which 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

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] 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.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And 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.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

L This is the word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

Apostles’ Creed

C **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.**

Recognition of High School Seniors

840 Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated



1 Christ high-as-cend-ed, now in glo-ry seat-ed, Throned and ex-
2 Christ from the Fa-ther ev-'ry pow'r pos-sess-ing, Who on His
3 Christ, who in dy-ing won for us sal-va-tion, Lives now the
4 Christ in His splen-dor, all do-min-ion gain-ing, Christ with His
5 As at His part-ing, joy shall ban-ish griev-ing, Faith in His



alt-ed, vic-to-ry com-plet-ed, Death's dread do-min-ion
cho-sen lift-ed hands in bless-ing, Sends forth His ser-vants,
first-born of the new cre-a-tion; To win dis-ci-ples
peo-ple ev-er-more re-main-ing, Christ to all a-ges
pres-ence strength-en our be-liev-ing; Filled with His Spir-it,



fi-nal-ly de-feat-ed, We are His wit-ness-es.
still in faith con-fess-ing, We are His wit-ness-es.
out of ev-'ry na-tion, We are His wit-ness-es.
glo-ri-ous-ly reign-ing, We are His wit-ness-es.
love and pow'r re-ceiv-ing, We are His wit-ness-es.

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Sermon – Pastor Tony Boos

Offering

Prayer Response

- Lord, in Your mercy,
 - hear our prayer.
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Service of the Sacrament

Preface

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

L It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Lord's Prayer

- 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

- L** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Agnus Dei



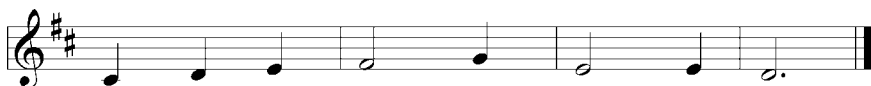
- C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Keep the Feast



1. Joy - ful - ly we join You at Your ta - ble, plead - ing not our
 2. Who is fit to feast with such a Sav - ior? Who His san - dals
 3. Hap - py sign of friend - ship and re - un - ion with the bless - ed



right - eous - ness. By Your wealth of mer - cy we are a - ble
 could un - tie? Who are we that He would show us fa - vor,
 Three in One. Fore - taste of that glo - ri - ous com - mun - ion.



now to feast in con - fi - dence. Take this bread and eat.
 grant - ing us this gift of life?
 vis - ion of the world to come.



Take this cup and drink. Re - mem - ber how He loved us. Re -



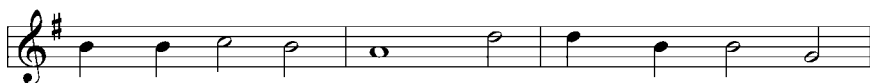
joice and keep the feast.

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528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -
 3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That
 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He



great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the



God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
 earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
 foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

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You Who Are Thirsty

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time. It begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "You who are thirst - y come to the well and drink from wa - ters flow - ing. You who are hun - gry, come to the bread and eat of His hol - i - ness. You who are tired, find rest. You who are weak, find strength. You who are thirst - y, come to the well and drink. He will free - ly feed all of them who are weak. He will quench the right - eous thirst of all who hum - bly seek." The score ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. Below the final line of music, there is a small instruction: "(Repeat Instrumentally and then Repeat Verse)".

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right - eous thirst of all who hum - bly seek. *(Repeat Instrumentally and then Repeat Verse)*

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The Dismissal

- L** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
- C** Amen.

Call to Christian Community

- L** "For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another" (1 John 3:11). After the last song, please take time to greet one another, and if you see someone you don't know, introduce yourself. The Christian life isn't meant to be lived alone, but in community. Now receive God's Blessing:

Benediction

- L** Let us bless the Lord
 - C** Thanks be to God
 - L** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
 - C** Amen.
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Brothers and Sisters in Christ

1. Sing Alleluia! Amen!

Let your prayers and praises ascend.

Lift up your voices and sing

To our Lord God, our Savior and King!

Here brought together by grace

We are gathered as friends in this place!

Chorus: And assembled as one, in the name of the Son,

Lifting hearts, lifting hands, celebrating as friends,

And proclaiming the Lord, all our praises afford.

We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

2. Man walked alone and in need

Without faith, hope, or promise or creed;

Wandering aimlessly lost,

Unaware of the staggering cost;

That God in his mercy would save

All His people from death and the grave. Chorus

3. Lord, teach us how to proclaim

All your goodness, your love and your name!

Lord, teach us how to forgive

And in love, teach us, Lord, how to live.

Raising our voices in song,

Help us tell all the world we belong. Chorus

This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service (Pastor Tony Boos) – 9:00 AM
- Reception for Graduating High School Seniors – Immediately following worship service.
- Adult Bible Study – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- Discovering Christianity – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)
- Sunday School – 10:30 AM (Sanctuary)

Wednesday

- Men's Bible Study – 6:30 AM (Downstairs)

Thursday

- AA Meeting – 6:30 PM (Downstairs)
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Saturday

- Women's Bible Study – 10:00 AM (Downstairs)
- AA Meeting – 1:30 PM

Sunday May 24

- Dominican Republic Seminary Mission Presentation – 10:45 AM (Downstairs)

Announcements

Please join us today for a reception to celebrate our graduating high school seniors immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall.

Join our adult Bible study next week when Rev. Joel & Deaconess Clarion Fritsche will give a presentation about LCMS mission work in the Dominican Republic, emphasizing the role of Seminario Concordia in spreading the Gospel, planting Lutheran churches, and showing mercy throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. The LCMS Southern Illinois District is a mission partner that supports the DR seminary. The Fritsches served as missionaries for the LCMS in the Dominican Republic from 2014-23. Rev. Fritsche served as Pastor of Iglesia Luterana de Pueblo Nuevo in Santiago and as Director of Seminario Concordia el Reformador. Clarion served as Deaconess at Iglesia Luterana de Pueblo Nuevo and regularly taught courses for Seminario Concordia's deaconess program. The Fritsches have three sons, Viktor (22), Max (20), and Andrei (17). Rev. Fritsche currently serves as Director of Vicarage and Deaconess Internships and the Buehner-Deusenberg Professor of Lutheran Missions at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. Deaconess Clarion serves as Manager of Mobilization and Training for LCMS Office of International Mission, caring especially for missionary wives and children. The Fritsches stay connected to LCMS work in the DR and take groups of seminary students to visit the mission each year.

If you have any questions or would like to share a comment, please feel free to reach out to one of our St. James Elders at elders@stjamesglencarbon.org.

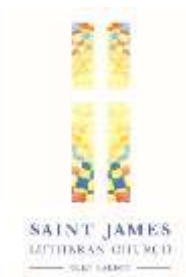
If you would like to submit a prayer request or join the Prayer Warriors Team please reach out to prayer-request@stjamesglencarbon.org or call the church office.

St. James offers a quarterly newsletter for our congregation. If you are not receiving the newsletter and would like to, please reach out to cheryl@stjamesglencarbon.org or call the church office.

St. James Guiding Statement

Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.

St. James Mission Pillars



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