

# CHURCH of the

# Ascension Sunday

May 29, 2022 Contemporary Service

# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

# SONG

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Crown him ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

#### All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Ye heirs of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

- *Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.
- People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
- *Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# SONG

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord From the rising of the sun, 'til the going down of the same Let everything that has breath praise the Lord

Chorus Hallelujah! He's worthy to be praised! Hallelujah, Amen! From the rising of the sun, 'til the going down of the same Let everything that has breath praise the Lord Bless the Lord, O my soul And all that is within me, bless his Name From the rising of the sun, 'til the going down of the same Let everything that has breath praise the Lord

Chorus 2x

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

- *People* And with your spirit.
- Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we pray you Almighty God, that as we do believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind look to ascend, and with him continually dwell, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

# THE LESSON

Daniel 7:13-14

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

# Bring God's Children Home

Acts 1:1–11

# PSALM 68

Chorus	Chorus
Sing praise to the Lord on his throne	
Sing praise to the King	Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
Who marches through the wilderness	exalt him who rides upon the heavens;
To bring God's children home	Yahweh is his Name, rejoice before him!
	Father of orphans, defender of widows,
Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;	God in his holy habitation!
let those who hate him flee before him.	God gives the solitary a home
Let them vanish like smoke when the wind	and brings forth prisoners into freedom;
drives it away;	but the rebels shall live in dry places.
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked	
perish at the presence of God.	Chorus

#### FOR THE EPISTLE

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. To them he presented himself alive after his passion by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And while staying with them he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me, for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth." And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 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."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### SEQUENCE

All Creatures of Our God and King

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## THE GOSPEL

Jesus said to the disciples, "These are my words which 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." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city, until you are clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven. And they returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

#### SEQUENCE

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#### SERMON

Fr. Chase Skorburg

#### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,  $\clubsuit$  and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Leader	In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;	
People	For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.	
Leader	For this community, the nation, and the world; especially for peace in Ukraine;	
People	For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.	
Leader	For the just and proper use of your creation;	
People	For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.	
Leader	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;	
People	For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.	
Leader	For the peace and unity of the Church of God;	
People	For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.	
Leader	For Michael the Presiding Bishop, George, our bishop, and Michael and Fraser our assisting bishops, Bishop Anthony, our rector, and the clergy of this parish, and for all bishops and other ministers;	
People	For all who serve God in his Church.	
Leader	For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.	
The people may add their own petitions.		

Leader	Hear us, Lord;
People	For your mercy is great.

*Leader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The people may add their own petitions.

- *Leader* We will exalt you, O God our King;
- *People* And praise your Name for ever and ever.

*Leader* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The people may add their own petitions.

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*People* Who put their trust in you.

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel.

#### Deacon & People

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and gives the Absolution, after which all stand.

# THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.

All greet one another with a sign of peace in the name of the Lord.

# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON** (9 AM)

# **BIRTHDAY BLESSING**

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **OFFERTORY SONG**

## Bring God's Children Home (Psalm 68)

The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

God will rise up and hate will flee Like smoke before the wind And as the darkness breaks we'll see God's reign of peace begin

And faithful hearts will fill with joy To see God's kingdom dawn No more afraid, no more ashamed, We'll sing God's victory song

Chorus

Sing praise to the Lord on the throne Sing praise to the King Who marches through the wilderness To bring God's children home And in God's house the fatherless And widow find a home The lonely prisoner hears his voice, "Come, child, be loved and known"

#### Chorus

The sea will roar, the earth will shake Before our Lord who reigns The war is done, our God has won Come join the song of praise

Chorus

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

#### The Celebrant continues with the Preface, which concludes

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# **SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS**

*Celebrant & People* Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might; Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

All kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

CelebrantTherefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:AllChrist has died.Christ is risen.Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

#### Celebrant & People

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

# THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

*Celebrant* We do not presume

All to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Persons who wish to have the Holy Eucharist brought to them in their pew should notify an usher.

#### Instructions for Holy Communion

All Christians who have been baptized with water and in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, who come forward in faith and are permitted to receive Holy Communion in their own church, are welcome to do so on this occasion.

Communion is received in the following way: a priest places the Bread in the palm of your hand, which you then consume; to receive the Wine, hold the base of the chalice, guide it to your lips. The practice of dipping the Bread into the Wine is not permitted. If you do not wish to receive one or both Elements, simply cross your arms over your chest.

If one is not able (e.g. because of a medical condition), or prefers not, to receive either the Bread or the Wine, the Church has always taught that a person still receives all the benefits of Holy Communion. If needed, there is wine from a dedicated gluten-free chalice; just notify a priest when you kneel at the altar rail.

Please feel free to consult with a member of the clergy if you have more questions.

# SONG

"Man of Sorrows" what a name, For the Son of God, who came Ruined sinners to reclaim. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, In my place condemned He stood; Sealed my pardon with His blood. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we; Spotless Lamb of God was He; "Full atonement!" Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

# SONG

In my Father's house There are many many rooms In my Father's house There are many many rooms And I'm going up there now To prepare a place for you That where I am there you may also be

If I go prepare a place for you I will come back again If I go prepare a place for you I will come back again You know I am the Way The Truth the Life Keep My command That where I am you may also be

# Man of Sorrows (Hallelujah What A Savior)

Lifted up was He to die; "It is finished," was His cry; Now in Heav'n exalted high. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, All His ransomed home to bring, Then anew His song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

#### That Where I Am

#### Chorus

That where I am there you may also be Up where the truth The truth will set you free In the world you will have trouble But I leave you My peace That where I am there you may also be

Remember you did not choose Me No I have chosen you Remember you did not choose Me No I have chosen you The world will show you hatred The Spirit show you truth That where I am there you may also be

Chorus

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

#### Celebrant & People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **BLESSING & DISMISSAL**

The Celebrant gives the blessing, after which the Deacon saysDeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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NOTES

#### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

#### **EPHESIANS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**

SUNDAYS • 10:20 AM **ED BLDG, ROOM 205** Unpack Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians with Fr. John Sundara and grow in understanding of Christ's identity and salvation and what it means to be his body, the Church. Register at **incarnation.org/ephesians** 

#### YOUNG ADULTS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

SUNDAYS • 10:20 AM **ED BLDG, ROOM 115-116** We will be going through the book *From Law to Logos: Reading Paul's Epistle to the Galatians* with the book's author, our own Fr. Jon Jordan.

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#### GOOD BOOKS GOOD TALK LITTLE MEN

SUNDAY, JUNE 5 • 5 PM **ED BLDG, ROOM 205** Little Men, the sequel to Little Women, by Louisa May Alcott is an American classic that embodies some ideals (e.g. in education and religion) that have shaped our country. Its subtitle is "Life at Plumfield with Jo's Boys," Jo being one of the sisters in the earlier *Little Women*.

#### STUDENT MINISTRY SUMMER INTERNSHIP KICK-OFF

SATURDAY, JUNE 5 • 10 AM **WELCOME CENTER** Students can sign up today to hold a spot for this incredible hands-on experience to minister to the local neighborhood, serve the church, and strengthen relationships while earning credits towards Beach Camp this summer on July 18-22! Orientation is June 5. Contact Drew Crowson at dcrowson@incarnation.org.

#### FAMILY LEGACY MEAL PACKING

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 • 10 AM **WELCOME CENTER** Help pack 30,000 meals for children living in Zambia. 100 volunteers are needed. Great opportunity for families wishing to instill a legacy of service in their children!



#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL KICK-OFF**

SUNDAY, JUNE 12 • 4 PM **GREAT HALL** Vacation Bible School is kicking off with a packet pick-up, family dinner, and elements from the firstday curriculum (music and Bible story to name a few). We are excited about the new format and look forward to seeing you there! There are also plenty of engaging opportunities for adults to volunteer. Visit **incarnation.org/vbs** for details and registration.

#### **MEN'S MINI RETREAT**

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 • 9 AM **RITTENMEYER GALLERY & ASCENSION CHAPEL** Join us for a half-day, men-only retreat featuring guest speakers Calum Lindsay, Minister for Alpha and Worship at Highland Park Presbyterian Church in Dallas, and Rev. Cn. Michael Gilton, Rector of St. Philip's in Frisco. It will be a great morning of worship, learning, and fellowship. Breakfast and snacks will be served. Childcare will be available for ages 0–10 at \$5 per child for the first two children. Sign up today at **incarnation.org/mini-retreat.** 

#### **DADS & DONUTS**

SUNDAY, JUNE 19 • 10:20 AM

WELCOME CENTER & HERITAGE PLAZA Celebrate dads this Father's Day with tasty donuts, family photos, refreshing beverages, and a splash on the water slides. Sunday School classes for kids and adults are suspended. Remember to bring your swim suit and a towel.

> EVENT INFO & REGISTRATION INCARNATION.ORG/EVENTS

# WELCOME Have any questions?

Visiting for the first time or need assistance? Stop by the Welcome Desk in the Welcome Center between services to get support, discover ways to connect, and pick up a new visitor gift.

# **CHILDREN & FAMILY**

Stop by the Education Building on Sunday moring to check out nursery care and classes for your children.



NURSERY

#### DISCIPLESHIP

8:45 am-12:30 pm Infants to Age 2 9 & 11:15 am Pre-K to 2nd Grade

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:20 am

- Godly Play! Pre-K to 1st Grade
- First Communion 2nd Grade
- 3rd–5th Grade

# WEEKLY ENEWS



Receive announcements and up-to-date information about events each week. Sign up today at incarnation.org/enews.

# WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 965, Easter 7.



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