

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Ascension Sunday ✠ May 6, 2018

In today's gospel the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses through the earth. The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus; we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast. We too long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission.

Ascension Day is traditionally marked on the 40th Day of Easter which is always a Thursday. In the Orthodox Church, it is the final day one greets one another with the Easter greeting, "Christ in Risen. He is risen, indeed."



Chapel of the Ascension on the Mount of Olives

*Inspired by Christ,
living and growing in faith,
we are a loving and open community
of worship, witness, and service in God's world.*



Prelude

Welcome

**Baptismal
Song of
Thanks and
Praise**

*Please stand as
you are able.*

**Gathering
Hymn**

**Apostolic
Greeting**

**Prayer of the
Day**

Please be seated.

✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers,
welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.
We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

Ascension Preludium

K. Vigne

Paschal Blessing

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Al - le - lu - ia.

On the first day of the week at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their face to the ground, the men said to them: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while you he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise."

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW #855

Vs 1 All, vs 2 Women, vs 3 Men, vs 4 Harmony, & vs 5 All

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth 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.

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Children's Message

Dismissal Song

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your
 prais - es. I'm so glad you're in my life,
 I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heav - en to earth
 to show the way, from the earth to the cross,
 my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave.
 from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

Ephesians 1:15-23

The risen and exalted Christ reigns over the entire universe. The author of Ephesian prays that we would be given the wisdom to comprehend this.

Reading

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far 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 age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Please stand as you are able.



Luke 2:44-53
On the day of his ascension, Jesus leaves his disciples with a commission, a blessing, and a promise of the Holy Spirit.

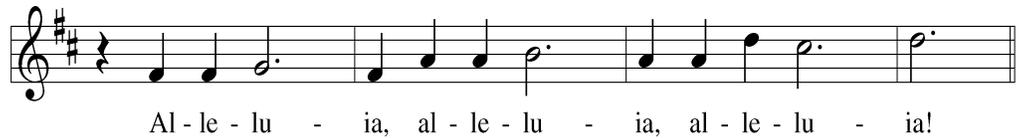
Please be seated.

Anthem

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia



Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then he 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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 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, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. 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.” Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Gloria

Mozart's Twelfth Mass, K. Anh. 232

*Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,*

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will.
We praise You, we bless You, we adore You, we glorify You, we give You
thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God Almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only-Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father.

Sermon

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

You Servants of God
ELW #825

Prayers of the Church

P: Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: We pray for the church. Draw your whole church together as one. Bring an end... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Ave verum corpus

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

*Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine
vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.*

*Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary
Truly suffering, sacrificed on the cross for humanity,
Whose side, when pierced, flowed with water and blood:
Be for us a foretaste in death's agony.*



Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able.



Please be seated

Offering

This Joyful Eastertide

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
sprung to life this mor - row. Had Christ, who once was
slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in
vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; but now has Christ a - ris - en!

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848–1934
Music: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

Offertory

Please stand as you are able.



- A: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

✕ Meal ✕

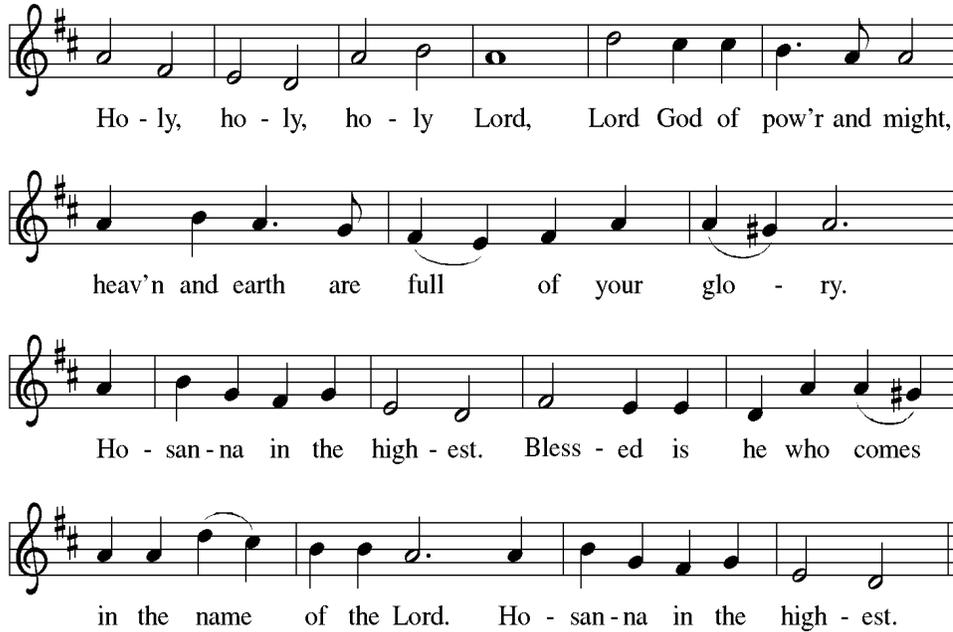
We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

Great Thanksgiving

- P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Offertory Prayer



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

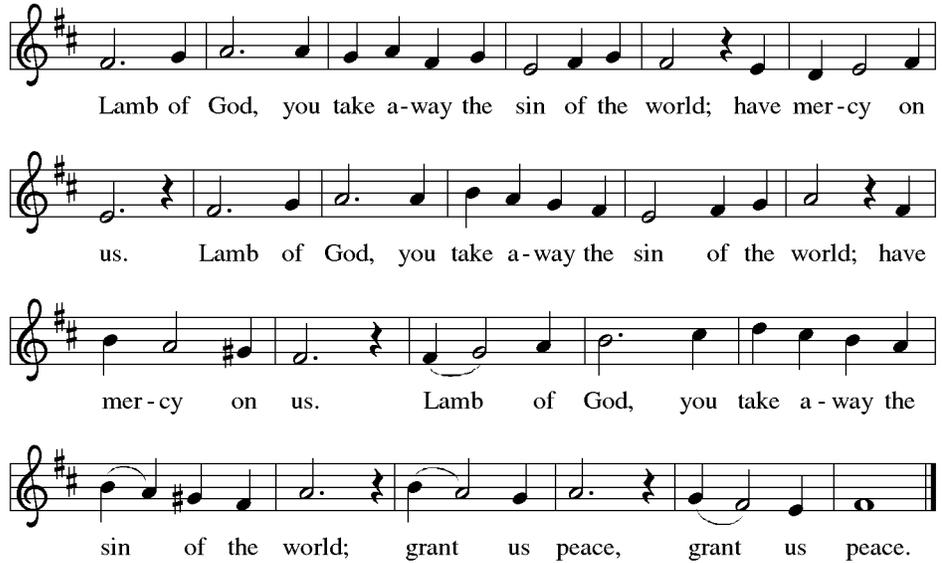
C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

Please be seated





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.

Lamb of God

Sonata in B Flat Major by Dieterich Buxtehude

Distribution Music

Distribution

Communion is by common cup or intinction: For the common cup, receive a piece of the bread, and drink from the white chalice. For intinction, dip the bread into the brown cup with the wine (dark) or grape juice (light) as you prefer, then eat. At Lake of the Isles, we practice open communion. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are welcome at this table.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Please stand as you are able.



A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

ELW #393

Vs 1 & 5

Sending Hymn

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain

Carolyn Jennings

Climb to the top of the highest mountain, joyous tidings proclaim to the world,

Lift up your voice, shout the good news: behold, your Lord comes to you.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will carry the lambs in his arms,

He will ever keep them safe from harm. Behold, your Lord comes to you.

He who made the stars in the heaven, He who fashioned the earth and the sea,

From time eternal he was God, the Alpha and Omega, he. Behold, your Lord!

He will come in power and glory, he will rule with mercy and truth,

Hope of the nations, light of all the world.

He will love the little children, he will hold them in his arms.

Love him and trust him as a little child. Behold, your Lord comes to you.

Adapted from Isaiah 40

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God’s grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

**YOUR WORSHIP
LEADERS TODAY**

Pastor

Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug

Organist

Kenneth Vigne

Choir Director

Dawn Allan

Worship Assistant

Mark Waldeland

Musicians

Jonathan Brandt and Dean Heller, Trumpets

Sarah Erickson Lume and Laura Nortwen, Oboe

Nan Goldman and Ingrid Koller, Viola;

Jon Lewis, Timpanist, Ian Snyder and Elizabeth York, Violin;

Nicole Strydom, Cello

Ushers

Jennifer Cook and Linda Nelson

Altar Servers

Linda Nelson and Pauline Haug

Reader

David Ackerman

Communion Assistants

Janna Haug, Mary Sabatke

and Carolyn Hagford

Coffee Hosts

Eric and Naomi Mechels

CHURCH OFFICERS	President	Marty Carlson
	Vice President	Ross Formell
	Treasurer	Ross Bartels
	Secretary	Jon Sprain
STAFF	Children's Ministry Director	Diane LaMere
	Custodian	Dane Peterson
	Office Manager	Linda Nelson
	Nursery Attendant	Sheridan Swee

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 6	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 pm	P. Low Student Recital	Sanctuary
MONDAY, MAY 7	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, MAY 8	9:15 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room
	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Men's AA Group	Room 201
WEDNESDAY, MAY 9	10:00 am	Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice	Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY, MAY 10	12:00 pm	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Cloudberry Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	7:30 pm	Growlers & Theology	Parsonage
SATURDAY, MAY 12	3:00 pm	K. Canon Recital	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, MAY 13	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Sanctuary
	11:00 am	"Working" Series Talk	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Mother's Day Scandinavian Smorgasbord	FH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Marlene Wilson, Shirley Carlson, Rick Gripentrog, LOTI members; **William Oliver Ulrich**, grandson of Cathy Carlson and Peter Van Bergen; **Natalie Hicks**, daughter of Steve Hoyt; **Molly Boylan; Judy Bigelow; Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jenny Cook; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Emmie and Jim**

Burton, friends of the Sabatkes; **Linda Sabatke**, sister-in-law of the Sabatkes.

Loved Ones In The Military
Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.





Joseph Mechels 5/6
Allison Sundeen
5/10

Phyllis Dahl 5/8
Kiera Sundeen 5/10

STAFFED NURSERY AVAILABLE

Children are always welcome in worship, however, if the need arises, the Christy Room is available if you need to leave with your child. The Christy Room is located to the left of the sanctuary through the side door at the front of the church and across from the church office. There is an alternate route to take from the narthex, (back of church)—follow the signs. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers to help you. There is a baby changing table available in the unisex restroom between the pastor’s office and the sacristy.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VISITORS WELCOME!

Children who are visiting today, age 3 through 6th grade, are more than welcome to come to Sunday School. We do ask that a parent/guardian comes with their child after the Children's Message to check him/her into a classroom. Children will return to worship with their family at the start of Communion. If your child would prefer to remain in worship, please know that there are age appropriate worship materials at the kid's worship table in the Narthex (back of the Sanctuary). Welcome!

**GUARDIAN ANGEL REVEAL
TODAY**

Guardian Angel Pen Pals and Sunday School children will finally get to meet each other today after worship. We'll gather in Fellowship Hall (after the balloons are released outside) and enjoy some angel food cake together

**PENTECOST SUNDAY
MAY 20TH**

We are looking for people who can speak in a variety of languages to read the gospel for Pentecost. Please contact Pastor Haug or Linda in the church office if you can help.

You are also invited to a **Festive Norwegian Dessert Table** for our coffee hour on Pentecost. If you have something you would like to provide please call the church office.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
SCAN TO GIVE**



OUR SAVIOUR’S HOUSING

The dates available for 2018 are: July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5 and November 2.

Please let Cheri Moe know if you would like one of these dates to serve the people at Our Saviour's. Thank you! You can reach Cheri at moeclana@aol.com / PH: 952-431-5226.

**“WORKING” SERIES TALK
MAY 13TH AT 11:00 AM**

“Working” is the theme of an ongoing speaker series in which people talk about what they do all day and how they feel about what they do. Many people within our congregation are engaged in fascinating work, and this series gives us an opportunity to learn more about what they do. On Mother's Day, May 13th, Renate Amann will speak about the "job" of being a mom. Renate and her husband moved to Minnesota from Germany in the late 1990's where they started their family of three. After a legal career working for the German government, Renate started a new path in the Twin Cities as a teacher and proctor for the German language, while raising three children. In honor of all mothers, her talk will focus on what it means to be a mom, the challenges of raising children without extended family living nearby, overcoming cultural differences and the 24-hour challenge of always being on the "job". Renate’s talk will take place after a brief coffee break following the Sunday morning service. Those who are interested will be invited to take their coffee/tea into the Christy Room for about 45 minutes. The first 20-25 minutes will be an informal talk by Renate, leaving the remaining time for questions from those in attendance.

**MOTHER’S DAY
SCANDINAVIAN SMORGASBORD
SUNDAY, MAY 13 AT-12:00 NOON
MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW**

Please call the church office to make your reservation for the Mother’s Day Scandinavian Smorgasbord on Sunday, May 13th. Tickets are \$27 each for adults,

\$12.50 for children 5 to 12 years old and children under the age of 5 are free.

CLOUDBERRIES CONCERT
SATURDAY, MAY 19
7:00 P.M.

FEATURING THE MUSIC OF ABBA

The ASI Cloudberries will be performing a concert at Lake of the Isles Church on May 19th at 7:00 p.m. Please join us for this fun concert featuring the music of ABBA. There will be refreshments and a social time following the concert in Fellowship Hall.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS DAY CAMP
JUNE 18 – 22, 2017

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A progressive ecumenical experience offering faith formation in a fun, safe, Christ-centered and relational setting day camp. Worship, crafts, games, lunch and field trips. The day camp is at Bethel Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN from June 18 to 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. It is open to children entering kindergarten to those entering 8th grade. The cost is \$30 per camper with a maximum of \$60 per family. Make checks payable to First Congregational UCC. Scholarships are available. Registration deadline is June 1. Please contact the LOTI church office for a copy of the registration form or check the table in the narthex for a copy.

LUTHER PARK CAMP

LOTI youth Grade 1-9 are invited to come to Luther Park in Danbury, WI with Pastor Haug the week of July 22. We will provide transportation to/from camp for half week campers (Sun-Wed). Go to lutherpark.com to complete the registration form (type web address carefully so that you get the Luther Park in Danbury, WI). Please contact Diane LaMere or Pastor Haug before registering for other important details to include on the registration form.

EXTENDED CALENDAR
OF LOTI CHURCH SERVICES

& Events



May 17 & 30
Women's Book Club
7:00 p.m.

May 10 & 24
Growlers & Theology
7:30 p.m.

May 13
"Working" Series at 11:00 a.m.
Mother's Day Smorgasbord at 12:00 Noon

May 17
Church Council Meeting
7:00 p.m.

May 19
ASI Cloudberries Concert
and Reception
7:00 p.m.

May 28
Memorial Day
Church Office Closed

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M-T 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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