

As the Grains of Wheat (ELW 465)
I Come with Joy (ELW 482)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Let us pray. **Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG: *This Joyful Eastertide (ELW 391)*

DISMISSAL

All who desire communion with Jesus and approach the sacrament with faith, are welcome at the Lord's Table. While both the common cup and individual glasses are offered, we encourage the use of the common cup to emphasize the unity we share in the Body of Christ, the church (please indicate your preference to the servers). A non-alcohol option is available in the tray. You may also partake of bread only, or come to the table for a blessing only.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Martin will be at the Festival of Homiletics (Preaching) in Washington, D.C. from Monday, May 21 to Friday, May 26. During his absence, please contact Pastor Diane Raddatz for pastoral emergencies.

PLANTS NEEDED: The Ottawa Lutheran Refugee Sponsorship Committee will be selling plants and baked goods at the Glebe Garage Sale on Sat, May 26. Please email olrs@bell.net if you can donate outdoor and/or indoor plants.

ALL-CANADIAN DINNER: You are invited to an all-Canadian dinner on Sunday, May 27, 5-8 pm, at Resurrection Lutheran Church (1325 Gaultois Avenue). This is the first of a series called "Dining Around the World" where our youth will be hosting dinners at all ELCIC churches in Ottawa. Tickets are \$25, available from Julia Wirth. Gluten free and vegetarian options available. All proceeds will go towards the youth trip to CLAY this August. For more info, contact Julia at jjwirth@bell.net.

CONNECTING WITH A YOUNGER GENERATION: Saturday, June 16, 9:30am - 2pm at Faith Lutheran. Cost: \$10, space is limited, registration closes 9am, June 8. This Anglican-led workshop aims to give insights and practical advice based on pastoral care principles. Lunch & refreshments provided.

Upcoming Regular Events:

LECTIONARY STUDY: Monday, May 14 at 2 pm – Ezekiel 37:1-14.

MEDITATION GROUP: Wednesdays at 5 pm in the Sanctuary.

FAITH & FINANCES: Thursday, May 17 at 7 pm in the church.

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE: Monday, May 14, at 6 pm, in the church.

Ascension Sunday

Sunday, May 13th, 2018

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Assisting Today:

Reader: Peter Nabein

Assistant: Natasha Nabein

Cantor: Julia Wirth

Counting: Peter Nabein &
Pierre Quenneville

Next Sunday:

Reader: Marla de Graff

Assistant: Ron Shearer

Cantor: Marie Fortier

Counting: Ian McGill &
Ken Roeske

Piano/Organ/Choir Director: David Santry

Church Secretary: Debra Boyd-Chisholm

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OPENING HYMN: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* (ELW 385)

GREETING: (ELW p. 184)

KYRIE: (ELW p. 184)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: *This is the Feast of Victory* (ELW p. 187)

CHOIR ANTHEM: *We Have Seen the Risen Lord*

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray. **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.**

FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11 A reading from Acts.

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After 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. ⁴While 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; 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, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set 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, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They 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.

PSALM: Psalm 47 (*Sung in unison*)

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23 A reading from Ephesians.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I 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, ¹⁸so 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, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God 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, 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 age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia* (ELW p. 188)

GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-53

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

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

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON:

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus* (ELW 392)

NICENE CREED: (ELW p. 104 or back cover of hymn book)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

SHARING THE PEACE

GIFT GATHERING AND SONG: *Let the Vineyards ...* (ELW 181)

OFFERING PRAYER: Let us pray. **Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

MEAL: (ELW p. 190)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: (ELW p. 190)

LORD’S PRAYER: (ELW p. 191)

COMMUNION HYMNS:

***Lamb of God* (ELW p. 191)**

