CHRIST'S ASCENSION INTO

Acts 1:1-11

"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky?

This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave Pastor Dave Martin

6 Easter - May 5, 2024

9:30 AM Worship – 10:45 AM Sunday School

God Gathers His People to Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Song "Crown Him with Many Crowns" (v. 1-4) LBW 170

Confession

P & C: Lord, we have been called to follow You but we have not responded. We have been commanded to love one another, but we continue in our old ways. We have been told to spread the Good News of Your Love to every part of our world, but have found the mission too difficult. We have not loved You with our whole heart and our neighbors as ourselves. Lord, we come to You today asking you to forgive our sin.

Forgiveness

P: Today there is Good News! God has forgiven our sin so that we might love each other the way we were intended to love. In our failures and in our desperation God picks us up and breathes new power into our needy lives. God has sent Jesus to die on the cross to pay for our sin and separation. God's love is the Good News for everyone today.

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 110:1-7 Page 646 Luke 24:50-53 Page 1126

Children's Sermon

Song "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" LBW 293

Sermon Texts: Acts 1:1-11 Page 1157

Sermon "Christ's Ascension into Glory"

Give Thanks to God

Song "Cleanse Me"

Search me O God and know my heart today Try me O Savior know my thoughts I pray See if there be some wicked way in me Cleanse me from every sin and set me free

I praise You Lord for cleansing me from sin Fulfill Thy Word and make me pure within Fill me with fire where once I burned with shame Grant my desire to magnify Your Name

Lord take my life and make it wholly Thine Fill all my heart with Your great love divine Take all my will my passion self and pride I now surrender Lord in me abide

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Offering

Offertory

Lord, You are more precious than silver, Lord, You are more costly than gold; Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds, And nothing I desire compares with You.

Prayers of the Church The Lord's Prayer

Celebration of Holy Communion

Words of Institution
The Lord's Prayer
First Communion

Emersyn Hermanek, Bryce Kahler, Cash Lantz & Wyatt VandenHoek

Distribution
Communion Blessing

God Calls Us to Serve

Song "Sent Forth By God's Blessings" Benediction

LBW 221

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this Sunday morning to worship with us today! We hope you were blessed and felt the love of God this morning.

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April 28 General Offering: \$2671.00 Attendance: 134

Noisy Offering: \$172.46

Greeters May 5—Jarod & Brooklyn Severson

May 12—Tony & Chelsey Schrank

May 19—Justynn & Brittany Ruen

May 26—Morries & Sharon Rommen

Ushers May 5—Mike Erickson & Dan Daum

May 12—Mike Konechne & Derek Wollman

May 19 & 26—Tom Boltjes & Ryan Lantz

Communion Servers Jim Holter, Jan DuFrain, Scott Dingus

Coffee Cookie Servers

May 5—Deb VanDerWerff, Sharon Warejcka, Lizzy Warejcka

May 12—Carla Weisser, Wendy Wollman, Bev Antonsen

May 19—Cheri Antonsen, Casey Bailey, Vickie Boltjes

May 26—Donna Boysen, Caroline Butler, Joyce Carter

The last day of Sunday school is today. We will be celebrating with indoor and outdoor games and activities.

Note: confirmation class will meet today and Sunday, May 12th

First Communion will be celebrated today with First Communion Celebrants and their families receiving Holy Communion before the rest of the congregation. **Blessings to our First Communion students who are communing for the first time:** Emersyn Hermanek, Bryce Kahler, Cash Lantz, & Wyatt VandenHoek

Platte Community Alpha will meet for the final time tonight at **6:30 PM** at New Hope Christian Camp.

Monday, May 6 from 1:00-2:15 PM, we will continue a Bible Study on the book of John. Following an opening prayer, we will start each session by watching one chapter of the book of John on the Visual Bible. There is something powerful about hearing God's Word and seeing it walked out on the television screen before us. After watching the video, we will read through the chapter and discuss it.

Weekly Men's breakfast and Bible study is **Saturday, May 11 at 7 AM** in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and then in the Fireside Room to watch the video, break into small groups, discuss the video, and pray with and for one another.

Next Sunday, May 12th, our High School Seniors will be presented with a quilt made by the ladies of our congregation to congratulate them on their accomplishment. *Congrats to Parker Bailey, Skyler Hanten, Katie Holter, Hannah Kirsch, Harper Kirsch, Jordan Konechne, Kasen Konstanz, Baleigh Nachtigal, Jack Ringling & Bria Severson on their accomplishment!*

Sunday, May 19th is Confirmation Day. Blessings to our 8th grade students: Adrian DeHaan, Hayes DeVries, Joseph Gilbertz, Kolbi Hoffman, Hayes Holter, Abigail Meyerink, Brynn Meyerink, Thomas Nelson, Charlotte Qualm and Hayden Strand as they are confirmed into the faith. Please join us to support and encourage our students and be encouraged yourselves as you hear our confirmands share their Statements of Faith.

The Vine's Bountiful Table: (anyone 50 yrs. or older are welcomed) Menu: Thursday, May 9th@ 5:30pm: Ham You can still sign up @ CRC or Norma's cell (605-680-1691)

"My Ascension" will be showing at the Lyric Theatre on Wednesday, May 15 at 6:30-7:30 pm and a panel discussion from 7:30-8:00 pm. This FREE movie is a youth suicide prevent event.

Trinity Lutheran Church will be holding a New Members' Class Sunday, June 2nd at 11:00 AM in the Fireside Room. The class will last about 1-1/2 hours and begin with a light lunch. The class will focus on Trinity's values, beliefs, practices, methods, and expectations, and will give you some ideas of ways you might become involved here. Attending the class does not require one to become a member. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the bulletin board just outside the Fellowship Hall or email me at tlcpastor57369@gmail.com. If you have any questions, you may contact me at 605-680-9958.

WOW Mission Project for May & June:

Purse Project -- Purse (new or gently used) filled with items such as Lotion, Nail file, Nail clipper, Chapstick, Comb, Small brush, Kleenex, Sanitary hygiene products, Band-Aids, Mints, Gum, Antibacterial hand wash, Devotional or anything you might carry in your purse.

*Collection will go through the end of June. There is a box in the fellowship hall to place the purses.

Bread Breakers: If you enjoy cooking, eating good food, and making new friends, sign up today for Bread Breakers. Bread Breakers are groups of eight people, who meet once a month during June, July, and August to share a wonderful meal and to get to know one another. Each month, someone new from the group agrees to host a meal at their home and provide the main course. The other members of the group agree to provide a salad, a side dish, bread, or dessert. The host provides coffee and ice water. Guests may bring other drinks if they desire. Each 8-person group determines the dates and times they will meet. Couples and singles are equally valued, but currently, we are only accepting adults. If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall. Couples, please enter one name per line. Please fill in one group completely before starting the next group.

Prayer Praises and Concerns

Those in nursing and assisted living homes or home-bound:

Mary Lee Erickson, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson, Richard Johnson, Arnie Larson, Caroline Peterson

Please pray for:

- Please keep Joel & Pam Olson in your prayers. They must make daily trips
 to the Platte Hospital for infusion treatments to kill the e-coli in his body.
 Thank God his white blood cell count has returned to normal ranges, and
 he is feeling good. Please pray the Lord will restore his blood pressure to
 normal levels and stabilize it there. Pray for Joel, Pam, & all their loved
 ones to know the Lord's comfort, love, and strength throughout this trial.
- Please keep IlaVae Antonsen in your prayers. She has been hospitalized
 this past week as doctors seek the cause of her temporary bouts of
 confusion. So far, doctors have not been able to find anything out of the
 ordinary. Please pray the Lord would reveal exactly what IlaVae needs and
 that she would respond well to treatment. Pray she & her loved ones
 would know the Lord's peace & comfort throughout.
- Please pray for Peggy Martin's brother, Garland Olesen, who's been diagnosed with mesothelioma. His prognosis is not good. He is living at home in care of his family. Please pray for the healing hand of Jesus to be upon him, for the Lord to give his doctors wisdom & discernment in treating him, & for Garland to have peace in this life & next.
- Praise God Arnie Larson is over his pneumonia and is doing well in Assisted Living. Please pray for Arnie & all his loved ones to know the Lord's peace & presence in this trial, and for Arnie's strength and energy levels to increase. Arnie is Deb VanderWerff's father.
- Praise God Pr. Dave's nephew, Rob Snoozy, is recovering well from elbow surgery on April 24th, and his pain has been minimal. Please pray his recovery & physical therapy will go well and that his right hand will soon return to its former size & strength. Pray he feels the Lord's close-abiding love and presence in all he does.
- Please continue to pray for Sue Davis and her husband, Denny. Sue is now at home & free from infection, awaiting her hip replacement in about 3 weeks. Pray for her cracked kneecap on her "good" leg to heal quickly, for her pain to diminish, and for her to soon be on the road to full recovery. Pray for Denny, who has been in and out of the hospital for heart-related problems that he could find relief and the help he needs. Pray Sue, Denny, & their entire family would feel the Lord's touch in all of this.
- Please keep Tom & Mary Espland in your prayers. On April 3rd, Tom had two stents put into arteries, one of which was 90% blocked and the other

which was 80% blocked. Please pray for his quick recovery from this procedure and that the increased blood flow would greatly increase his strength and energy levels. Pray also for the Lord to heal his pulmonary fibrosis and for Tom & all his loved ones to know God's comfort & peace.

- Praise God Dick Johnson's fifth week in hospice care in White Lake has gone well, though he did fall and injure his shoulder. Pray God would heal his shoulder quickly and that He would continue to bless Dick with His close-abiding presence, love, & comfort.
- Praise God Mike Erickson continues to do well. Thank Him Mike's stomach pain has diminished. Pray it would be gone completely & that God would stabilize his blood sugar levels. Pray for Mike and all his loved ones to know God's close-abiding love & presence throughout.
- Praise God Mary Beth & Larry Kuiper's daughter-in-law, Erica, continues to do well & to feel good. She now has only 1 chemo treatment left. Pray against fatigue and loss of energy. Pray for Erica, Mike, & their entire family to feel the Lord's powerful presence, strength, and comfort.
- Praise God Jeanne Kott continues to improve. Please pray for the Lord to bring healing to her sciatica and for her pain to diminish dramatically. Pray also for her sleep to be more restful, and for Jeanne & Dave to feel the Lord's close-abiding healing, comfort, presence, and love in all they do.
- Please keep Alison Dykstra's sister, Julie Pepper, her husband, Matt, and their extended family in your prayers. Julie had successful stent replacement surgery on May 2nd. Her doctor said her kidneys and bladder look good. She also had a PET scan May 3rd and will find out the results on May 6th. Please pray for a favorable report, for her to be free from pain, and for her appetite to improve dramatically so she can put on weight and regain energy & strength. Pray Julie and all her loved ones would feel the Lord's close-abiding love, comfort, peace, and joy.
- Praise God Jerry Dykstra's brother-in-law, Rod Berg, just received a very good report. He had a clear scan with no sign of lesions on his brain.
 Please pray for his continued health and well-being.
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Mike De Jager of the First Reformed Church in Platte. His last check-up came with an encouraging report. His numbers improved and doctors are optimistic for his future treatments. Please pray he and his loved ones know the Lord's peace & presence throughout this trial.
- Please pray for Calvary Baptist Church in their search to find a Senior Pastor. Pray the Lord would make clear to them the person He has ordained for this job. Pray for Pastor Dave Anderson and his wife, Tricia, to be blessed in their move to Juneau, Alaska.