

## ***Welcome to ASCENSION!***

*We are delighted to have you with us today. If this is your first visit, see PREPARING FOR WORSHIP below.* That we may know you better, please sign the Guest Registry in the Narthex and introduce yourself to the Pastor after the service. May God bless you with the assurance of His forgiveness, life, and salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ. *Thank you, and ...*

***Peace be with you!***



### **PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**

**ALL WORSHIPERS.** The *Worship Bulletin* includes the Order of Service and those parts not printed in the Hymnal. It is designed to be used with the hymnal. *Prayers for Worship* are located on the inside front cover of the Hymnal. *Large print hymnals*, full sheet magnifying glasses and personal hearing devices are available. Please ask an Usher. For *Spiritual Care* of our worshipers ***please sign the pew information pad.***

**PARENTS,** a “Little Lambs” worship room is available if your child needs attention during the service, and a “Nursery” for mothers needing privacy.

**GUESTS** inquiring about Communion at Ascension, please see our Communion Statement on the inside of the bulletin cover.

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## ✠ HOLY COMMUNION ✠

Holy Communion is administered to **COMMUNICANT MEMBERS** of Ascension, of other Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations, and of Lutheran Church bodies in declared fellowship with the LCMS, who have been instructed, examined, and *confirmed* in the Christian faith as taught by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and so publicly declared their unity of faith in all doctrines of Holy Scripture in fellowship with LCMS.

All **COMMUNICANT MEMBERS** desiring to commune today are to fill out a *Member Communion Card* or *Guest Communion Card* and hand it to the Ushers when coming forward to commune.

*All others we kindly and respectfully request to abstain from communing until such public declaration is made in keeping with Christ's institution.*

If you would like to know more about receiving Holy Communion at Ascension, please speak to the Pastors after the service and they will be glad to instruct you to that end. *Thank you!*

**Preaching Pastor** ✠ Pastor James Gier  
**Assisting Pastor** ✠ Pastor Gary Zieroth  
**Fieldworkers** ✠ Richard Sovitzky and David Clark

**Organist** ✠ David Mussmann

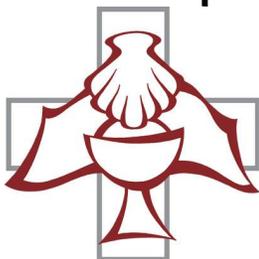
*Prelude* ~ "The Day is Surely Drawing Near" – J.S. Bach/Culli

*Voluntary* ~ "Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death" - Henkelmann

*Postlude* ~ "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" - Hobby

*Special Music* ~ Joeline Mayes, violin

25th Sunday after Pentecost  
*November 14, 2021*  
(Series B – Proper 28)



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**Introit** (*Psalm 48:1-14; antiphon: Mark 13:13b*)



The one who endures | to the end\*  
will | be saved.

**Let Mount Zion | be glad!\***

**Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgements!**

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,\*  
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,

**that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever  
and | ever.\***

**He will guide us for | ever.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The one who endures | to the end\*  
will | be saved.

**Collect of the Day**

**P.** O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bounds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C. Amen.**

**Gradual** (*Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*)

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.\*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the  
Lamb.

Blessed are those whose strength is | in You,\*

In whose heart are the highways to | Zion.

**Old Testament Reading – Daniel 12:1-3(ESV)** “At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup> And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup> And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above;<sup>[a]</sup> and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

P. This is the Word of the Lord.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle Reading – Hebrews 10:11-25(ESV)** <sup>11</sup> And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup> But when Christ<sup>[a]</sup> had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup> waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup> For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. <sup>15</sup> And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, <sup>16</sup> “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,” <sup>17</sup> then he adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” <sup>18</sup> Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. <sup>19</sup> Therefore, brothers,<sup>[b]</sup> since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup> Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup> not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

P. This is the Word of the Lord.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia and Verse**

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 13th chapter.

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

**Holy Gospel – Mark 13:1-13 (ESV)** And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!”<sup>2</sup> And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”<sup>3</sup> And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,<sup>4</sup> “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?”<sup>5</sup> And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray.<sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray.<sup>7</sup> And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet.<sup>8</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.<sup>9</sup> “But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them.<sup>10</sup> And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations.<sup>11</sup> And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.<sup>12</sup> And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death.<sup>13</sup> And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C. Praise to You, O Christ.**

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**MY SERMON NOTES**

***“Faith comes from hearing and hearing through the Word of Christ.”***

***Rm 10:17***