



The Ascension Of Our Lord

*St. John's Lutheran Church—Sherburn, MN
Sunday, May 16, 2021
8:00 & 10:30 a.m.*

Pastor.....Rev. Steven D. Wilson, 507-236-1181
Vicar.....Mr. Jeff Hagen 507-236-3114
Secretary.....Mrs. Kathleen Potts
Custodian.....Janet Holtz
Elders.....Mr. Kent Meyers & Mr. Ryan Kahler

Church Address

317 South Main, Box 760
Sherburn, MN 56171

Church Phone

507-764-5312

Website: sjlsherburn.com

Email: church@sjlsherburn.com

Facebook: @stjohnslutheransherburnmn

*Welcome: We are happy that you have joined us for worship.
May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill
your life with the lively hope and lasting joy.*

The Ascension Of Our Lord
May 16, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" LSB 493 vs 1-6

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 110:1, 4-5; antiphon: Psalm 47:5*

P God has gone up with a shout,

C **the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.**

P The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand,

C **until I make your enemies your footstool."**

P The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind,

C **"You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."**

P The Lord is at your right hand;

C **he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.**

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P God has gone up with a shout,

C **the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.**

Kyrie *LSB 204*

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 204*

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

First Reading *Acts 1:1-11*

(The Apostle Luke reveals to us Jesus' commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles and the Church)

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you 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, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed 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 and in all Judea

and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes,¹¹ 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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

P Christ has risen from the dead.

C **God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor.**

P He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C **he has put all things under his feet.**

Epistle *Ephesians 1:15–23*

(The Apostle Paul gives thanks for God’s power, which terrifies sinners, but comforts those who know His love for us)

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints,¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers,¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him,¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ 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 one to come.²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church,²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel *Luke 24:44–53*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

(Luke provides us with an account of Jesus’ ascension into Heaven)

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] 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 and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,⁴⁶ and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Second Article *Redemption*

ALL: And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

P *What does this mean?*

C **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the**

devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build" LSB 492 vs 1-3

Message: "Follow Our Leader"

Offering/Offertory: "Praise and Thanksgiving" LSB 789 vs 1-3

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface *LSB 208*

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 Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 208*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in**

the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

Having revealed Your glory in the face of Your only-begotten Son, who suffered, died, and rose for our salvation, You have exalted Him to the highest majesty at Your right hand, that He might graciously fill all things.

Grant us faithfully to eat and drink this Holy Supper, trusting our reigning Savior Jesus, who, though unseen in His ascended glory, is here present to save by His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus De *LSB 210*

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: "Your Table I Approach" LSB 628 vs 1-6

Distribution Hymn: "Crown Him With Many Crowns" LSB 525 vs 1-5

Distribution Hymn: "Beautiful Savior" LSB 537 vs 1-4

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 211*

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" *LSB 830, vs. 1,4,6*

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV[®] Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version[®]), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2021 Concordia Publishing House.

Take My Moments & My Days

Sunday, May 16: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion, 9:00 a.m. Youth & Parent Meeting, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Fellowship

Monday, May 17: 10:00 a.m. Temp. Ridge Service

Wednesday, May 19: 6:00 p.m. Weekday Service (no communion)

Thursday, May 20: Circuit Pastors

Sunday, May 23: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School and fellowship in the Park, 10:30 a.m. Worship in the park, No 8:00 Service, 6:00 p.m. Sr. Banquet

Coffee/Donuts: The Board of Parish Services invite you to stop by the fireside room and enjoy a cup of coffee and donuts between the services. This is a great opportunity to visit and enjoy fellowship

Bible Class will meet in the fireside room during the Sunday school hour.

Worship In The Park: The last day of Sunday school before summer break is next Sunday, May 23. There will only be one service. Sunday school, fellowship, refreshments and donuts will be held at the Sherburn City Park at 9:15. Our worship service will also be held at the park beginning at 10:30. Bring your own lawn chairs.

National Youth Gathering Meeting: There will be a mandatory meeting with regards to the National Youth Gathering for youth and parents. You can attend either Sunday, May 16 at 9:15 or Wednesday, May 19 at 7:15 p.m.

Door Offering: Today through May 30th we will be taking door offering for the Sherburn Cemetery. The money will be used to help maintain and improve the Sherburn Cemetery. Checks can be made payable to Sherburn Cemetery Association.

Weekday Service will be at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19.

Senior Banquet for the graduating seniors and their parents will be held next Sunday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. Seniors: please let us know if you will or will not attend. We also would like a senior picture (approximately 2 1/2 x 3 1/2. You can drop the picture off at the church office or email church@sjlsherburn.com

Pre/K VBS will be held Monday, June 7 thru Friday, June 11 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Theme this year Bible Heroes. This is open to all kids who are age 3 years old up to those going into 1st grade. Registration is available online by going to our church website: sjlsherburn.com Go to Ministry tab and then the drop down list of Kingdom Kids. You can also stop at the church to fill out a registration form.

Sherburn City Wide Garage Sales are June 10-12. Contact Sheila at Martin County Star to list your garage sale for \$10.00.

Open House Bridal Shower for Macy Petrowiak, bride to be of Chris Kahler will be held on Saturday, May 22, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Fairmont Yacht Club. RSVP to Holly at (507) 848-7104 (call or text). Macy is registered at Target & Sterling Drug.

In Our Prayers: Leilani Boosinger, Tayler Hagen, Lois Anderson, JeRay Armstrong

Coping With Cancer: Miriam Krueger, Diane Beseke, Shirley Skogerboe, Serena Johnson, Marlene Kuntz, Tom Wescott, Andrea Mileham, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary Maday, Ginny Anderson, Larry Norem, Lacy McNicol, Roger Spiegel, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Kay Groth, Perry Caven, Harv Baird

Care List: Roberta Garbers, Karen Brotsma, Bob Hoffmeyer, Jethro Zelulka, Dan Hanson, Sandy Claussen, Robert Ziemer, Judith Nielson, Wanda Klima, Lois Anderson, Marilyn Pierson, Crue Crosby, Janet & Dick Lepird, Lorraine Gagnon, Dennis Cook, Norma Brotsma, Kurt Jans, Bruce Behne, Steve Luhmann, LaVerna Diekmann, Carroll Behne, Verna Bliesmer, Les Anderson, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Joyce Hansen Picken, Linda Chase, Adam Janssen, Marcella Brotsma, and those we name in our hearts.

Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week: David Anderson, Brad Ringnell, Tucker Schumann, Martin Rosenberg, Brenda Frolik, Tammy Smith, Trent VanderWert, Andy Truesdell, Adrianna Garber, Chandler Koehler, Tom Mulso, Linda Schwager, Marriah Salisbury, Steve Frolik, Kelly Koehnen, Lori Stibbe, Dick Lepird, Francie Ziemer

Members Celebrating Anniversaries This Week: Roy & Jina Behne, Duane & Kathy Potts, James & Judy Hybbert

Congratulations to Brian & Rebecca Sokoloski on the birth of a daughter, Haddie Lou. Haddie was born on May 7.

Congratulations to Nickolas & Jordan (Gregory) Holm who were united in marriage here at St. John's Lutheran yesterday afternoon.

We Remember the family and friends of Caroline Flohre. Caroline was called to her eternal rest May 8 and her funeral will be held on May 29 at St. John's Lutheran Church.