

**Our Saviour Lutheran Church**  
Fareham

# **The Ascension of Our Lord**

## **Vespers**

**21 May 2020**

**7 pm**

*Explanation of Symbols:*

- C** Congregation
- L** Liturgist
- A** Assisting minister
- I** Men
- II** Women
- + You may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism.
- ❖ You may bow at this point as a sign of reverence.

Stand

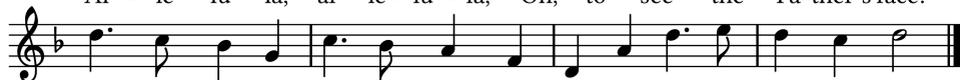
## Opening Hymn—LSB 491: Up through Endless Ranks of Angels



1. Up through end - less ranks of an - gels, Cries of tri - umph in his ears,
2. Death - de - stroy - ing, life - re - stor - ing, Prov - en E - qual to our need,
3. To our lives of wan - ton wan - d'ring Send your pro - mised Spir - it - Guide;
- △ 4. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Oh, to breathe the Spir - it's grace!



To his heav'n - ly throne as - cend - ing, Hav - ing van - quished all their fears,  
Now for us be - fore the Fa - ther As our broth - er in - ter - cede;  
Through our lives of fear and fail - ure With your pow'r and love a - bide:  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Oh, to see the Fa - ther's face!



Christ looks down up - on his faith - ful, Leav - ing them in hap - py tears.  
Flesh that for our world was wound - ed, Liv - ing, for the wound - ed plead!  
Wel - come us, as you were wel - comed, To an end - less East - er - tide.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Oh, to feel the Son's em - brace!

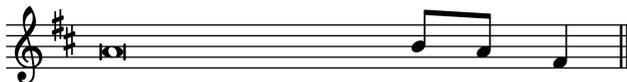
*Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda (1919–2008). Music: Henry V. Gerike (1948–).*

## Versicles

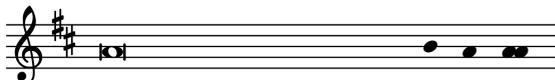
*A cross may be marked with the thumb on the lips:*



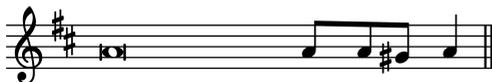
**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make † haste, O God to de - li - ver me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



❖ *Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spi - rit;*



as it was in the be- gin-ning, is now, and will be for- ev-er. A-men.



Praise to You, O Christ, al - le - lu - - ia.

## Psalmody

### Psalm 110 (*antiphon: v. 1*)



- A** The Lord says to my Lord: “Sit at my | right hand,\*  
until I make your enemies your | footstool.”
- I** The Lord says to my Lord: “Sit at my | right hand,\*  
until I make your enemies your | footstool.”
- II** The Lord sends forth from Zion your mighty | scepter.\*  
Rule in the midst of your | enemies!
- I** Your people will offer themselves freely on the day of your power, in  
holy | garments;\*  
from the womb of the morning, the dew of your youth | will be  
yours.
- II** The Lord has sworn and will not | change his mind,\*  
“You are a priest forever after the order of Mel- | chizedek.”
- I** The Lord is at your | right hand;\*  
he will shatter kings on the day | of his wrath.
- II** He will execute judgement among the nations, filling them  
with | corpses;\*  
he will shatter chiefs over the | wide earth.
- I** He will drink from the brook | by the way;\*  
therefore he will lift | up his head.
- C** *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.*
- A** The Lord says to my Lord: “Sit at my | right hand,\*  
until I make your enemies your | footstool.”

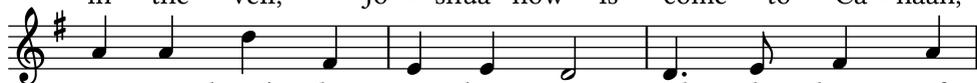
## Office Hymn: LSB 494—See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph



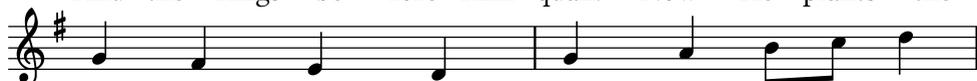
1. See, the Lord as - cends in tri - umph, Con - qu'ring King in
2. Who is this that comes in glo - ry With the trump of
3. While He lifts His hands in bless - ing He is par - ted
4. Now our heav'n - ly Aa - ron en - ters With His blood with-



roy - al state Rid - ing on the clouds, His chari - ot  
 ju - bi - lee? Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies,  
 from His friends; While their ea - ger eyes be - hold Him,  
 in the veil; Jo - shua now is come to Ca - naan,



To His heav'n - ly pa - lace gate; Hark! The choirs of  
 He has gained the vic - to - ry. He who on the  
 He up - on the clouds as - cends. He who walked with  
 And the kings be - fore Him quail. Now He plants the



an - gel voic - es Joy - ful al - le -  
 cross did suf - fer, He who from the  
 God and pleased Him, Preach - ing truth and  
 tribes of Is - rael In their prom - ised



lu - ias sing, And the por - tals  
 grave a - rose, He has van - quished  
 doom to come, He, our E - noch,  
 rest - ing place, Now our great E -



high are lif - ted To re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.  
 sin and Sa - tan; He by death has spoiled His foes.  
 is trans - lat - ed To His ev - er - last - ing home.  
 li - jah of - fers Doub - le por - tion of His grace.

5. He has raised our human nature      Jesus reigns, adored by angels;  
     On the clouds to God's right hand;      Man with God is on the throne.  
 There we sit in heav'nly places,      By our mighty Lord's ascension  
 There with Him in glory stand.      We by faith behold our own.

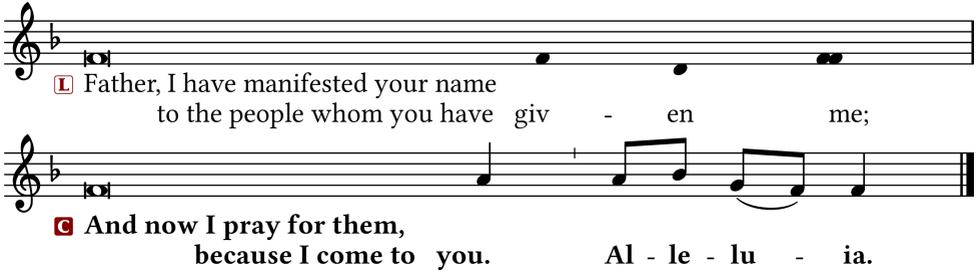


# Sermon

## Canticle

*Stand*

### Antiphon



**I** Father, I have manifested your name  
to the people whom you have giv - en me;

**C** And now I pray for them,  
because I come to you. Al - le - lu - ia.

### Magnificat



**C** My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Sav-iour,

**I** for He has re-gard-ed the lowliness of His hand-maid-en.

**II** For be-hold, from this day all generations will call me bless-ed.

**I** For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;

**II** and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to gen-er-a-tion.

**I** He has shown strength with His arm;

He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

II He has cast down the mighty from their thrones

and has ex - - alt - ed the low - ly.

I He has filled the hun-gry with good things, and the rich He has sent emp-ty a-way.

II He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mer - cy

as He spoke to our Fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ev-er.

❖ Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit;

as it was in the be-gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Prayer

*Kneel/Stand*

❑ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## Lord's Prayer

❑ Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but † deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## Collects



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir-it.

## Collect of the Day

### Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

#### Collect for Peace

**L** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Benedicamus



**L** Let us bless the Lord

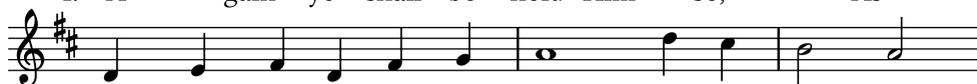


**C** Thanks be to God.

## Closing Hymn—LSB 493: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing



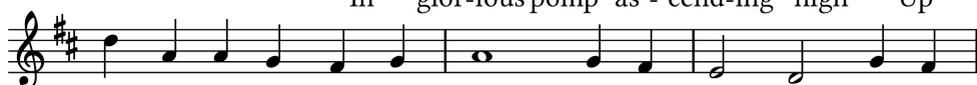
1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
2. The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -
3. To them the an - gels draw - ing cry, "Why
4. "A - gain ye shall be - hold Him so, As



songs through-out the world shall ring:  
 on the Mount of Ol - ives stand  
 stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia,  
 ye have to - day seen Him go."



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ, by a road be - fore un - trod As -  
 And with His fol - low - ers they see Their  
 "This is the Sa - viour," thus they say. "This  
 "In glor - ious pomp as - cend - ing high Up



cend - eth to the throne of God.  
 Lord as - cend in ma - jes - ty. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -  
 is His nob - le tri - umph day." Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -  
 to the por - tals of the sky."



lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

5. Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,  
 And be our future great reward.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Then, throned with You forever, we  
 Shall praise Your name eternally.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
6. "O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
 All praise to You let earth accord:  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 You are, while endless ages run,  
 With Father and with Spirit one.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

*Text: Bede (673–735); tr. Benjamin Webb (1819–85), alt. Lutheran Book of Worship (1978), alt.  
 Music: Cologne (1623)*

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