

CHRIST'S TRUE BODY AND BLOOD, given and shed in His passion for the forgiveness of sins, are really present in, with, and under the bread and the wine in the Sacrament of the Altar and are given to and received by those who commune. Confirmed church members who are of one faith with us are invited to the Lord's table. Please register by marking the attendance card in the pew rack.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist

\* = Stand

C = Congregation

## PRELUDE AND WELCOME

**\*OPENING HYMN***Oh, Blest the House***862**

5:00 Chimes Choir

*Jesus Loves Me***\*INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen. (Sung)**

L: Thanks to You, O Father, who sent Your Son into the world to be a man, born of a woman, to die for us on the cross.

**C: Praise be to You that He walked among us on our earth, in our world of conflict, and ordained the remembrance of His death, His death which gives us life.**

L: Thanks to You, O Father, whose Son ascended into heaven in the sight of His Apostles;

**C: Praise be to You that He has gone to prepare a place for us, and that He will come again in glory.**

L: Gracious Heavenly Father, hear our prayer and intercession, as we confess our sins unto You.

**C: We confess that we have not been obedient to You. We have not loved You with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. By our sinful words and actions, and by our refusal to love one another as we ought, we have disobeyed Your will for the family. We often have broken the bonds which bind us together as brothers and sisters. Because of the death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins. By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew us and restore us, to a right relationship with You and with one another. Hear our confession for Jesus' sake. Amen.****\*THE ABSOLUTION****C: Amen. (Sung)****\*THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Sung)****\*THE KYRIE****C: Lord, have mercy upon me. Christ, have mercy upon me. Lord, have mercy upon me. (Sung)****\*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with they spirit. (Sung)**

L: Let us pray.

**C: Amen. (Sung)**

THE FIRST READING for the Ascension of Our Lord is from Acts 1:6-11, page 909: (5:00, 8:00, 10:30)

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But 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." <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup>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."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God. (Sung)**

5:00 Celebration Ringers	<i>Jesus Shall Reign</i>	Cynthia Dobrinski
10:30 Glocken Ringers	<i>Lift High the Cross</i>	Cynthia Dobrinski

THE EPISTLE READING is from Ephesians 1:16-23, page 976:

<sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>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, <sup>18</sup>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, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup>that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>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. <sup>22</sup>And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**\*ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

**C: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (Sung)**

**\*THE HOLY GOSPEL** - according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter, verses 45-53, page 885:

**C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (Sung)**

<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>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." <sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, <sup>53</sup>and were continually in the temple blessing God.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (Sung)**

**\*THE CREED (Luther's Explanation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article) (5, 8, 10:30)**

**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. Amen.**



L: Let us pray.  
C: **Amen. (Sung)**

L: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And with thy spirit. (Sung)**

L: Bless we the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God. (Sung)**

\*THE BENEDICTION  
C: **Amen, amen, amen. (Sung)**

\*THE CLOSING HYMN *Holy Father, In Thy Mercy*

1. **Holy Father, in Thy mercy hear our anxious prayer;  
Keep our loved ones who are absent 'Neath Thy care.**
2. **Jesus, Savior, let Thy presence Be their light and guide;  
Keep, oh, keep them in their weakness At Thy side.**
3. **Father, Son and Holy Spirit, God the One in Three  
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them, Near to Thee.**

\*SILENT PRAYER / POSTLUDE + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens  
Liturgist 5:00, 8:00 & 10:30 - Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; 9:20 - James Prothro  
Organist: Alice Kastens  
Choir Dir.: Sherry Bierwagen, DMM  
Sat. Broadcaster: Bob Mullen

NEWS AND NOTES:

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.  
Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): Genesis  
Adult Bible Class (Commons Conference Room): Apostle's Creed  
Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE  
8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman  
7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel

ALTAR FLOWERS are placed by Gina Werkmeister in loving memory of her mother, Gloria Menz; and from Lynn Nichols and family in loving memory of her mother, Mary Jane Wagner.

VOTERS ASSEMBLY is Monday, May 10, 7:00 p.m., in the sanctuary.

INFORMATION MEETING for Confirmand parents and students going into 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th grades, will be this Wednesday, May 12, 6:30 p.m. in the Lower Commons. (Those pupils in Green Park Lutheran in grades 5 and 6 are invited and urged to attend.) See May newsletter.

MOTHER'S DAY FOOD DRIVE Today the bags are turned in. If you forgot yours, you may bring it in yet tomorrow (6 a.m.-10 a.m.) for late inclusion.

LADIES GUILD meeting at 12 noon on May 20th. We will be finishing the Lap Robes for the Nursing Homes. All ladies are invited, come join us, coffee and dessert served.

YOUTH NEWS: The High School Senior Recognition will be Sunday, May 16 at 9:15 a.m. Please RSVP to Christina TODAY if you are able to attend.

BEVERAGE BOX Our honor system has run into a glitch. Over the past 3 weeks 8 sodas/waters have been removed without payment. We cannot continue to operate at a loss! PLEASE pay for what you use and talk to your children about the honor system. We would like to continue this service for our members and guests, but it is in jeopardy. Thanks for your cooperation. Beverages are 50¢ each.

ALASKA - BAKE SALE Many thanks to all who supported the recent bake sale! We raised \$800 to help with the cost of supplies and shipping for the VBS in Alaska. PIZZAS - The TJ Pizza order is in. You may pick up your order at the Mission Outreach table in the Commons. Thank you!

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY Appointment times are still available for May 19th - 22nd, and May 25th - 26th . Please contact Edie Turner or go online through Peace's website [www.peacelutheranstl.org](http://www.peacelutheranstl.org) and use the link to schedule an appointment.

LCMS ARMED FORCES Sunday, May 16, supports the ministry of 110 LCMS chaplains. An envelope in your packet is provided.

PRESCHOOL CLOSING "Graduation Program" is May 26, 6:30 p.m. for Mrs. Wuerffel's Class.

#### ARTS CAMP

The Music Ministry here at Peace is sponsoring a "**No Strings Attached**" **Arts Camp** on June 14 - 18, 2010. The camp is being offered to help develop God-given gifts in music, creative movement, art and cooking. All students (Peace members and non-Peace members) entering grade 4 through grade 8 (fall of 2010) are invited to attend. Registration forms, with additional information, are available on the table in the Commons or by contacting Sherry Bierwagen, DMM at 314-892-55610.