



**Emmanuel**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

**9 AM Contemporary Worship, May 21, 2023**  
**The Ascension of Our Lord**  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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## Gathering: The Holy Spirit Gathers Us in Worship

### Welcome

### Invocation

Pastor: On this holy celebration of the Ascension of our Lord, we are gathered in the name of the Father,  $\text{†}$  the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

### Opening Song

HUMBLE THYSELF / AWESOME GOD

Humble Thyself In The Sight Of The Lord

Chorus

Humble thyself  
In the sight of the Lord  
Humble thyself  
In the sight of the Lord  
And He shall lift you up  
Higher and higher  
And He shall lift you up

CCLI Song # 26564

Bob Hudson

Awesome God

Chorus

Our God is an awesome God  
He reigns from heaven above  
With wisdom pow'r and love  
Our God is an awesome God

CCLI Song # 41099

Rich Mullins

### Graduate Blessing



## Special Music

Holy Is The Lord

Verse

We stand and lift up our hands  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now  
How great how awesome is He

Pre-Chorus

And together we sing  
Ev'ryone sing

Chorus

Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory

Bridge

It is rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown  
It's rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

CCLI Song # 4158039

Chris Tomlin | Louie Giglio

## Word: God Speaks to Us in Scriptures and Prayer

### Acts 1:1-11

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 1.

Reader: [Luke writes:] <sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you



will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup>He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set 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, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Children’s Message**

*Children are invited to Bible storytelling time in the chapel following the children’s message and will return to the sanctuary during the hymn of the day after the message.*

### **Gospel Acclamation**

This Is Amazing Grace (chorus only)

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

CCLI Song # 6333821

Jeremy Riddle | Josh Farro | Phil Wickham

### **Luke 24:44-53**

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord!**

Pastor: <sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to the eleven and those with 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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been 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 was blessing them, he withdrew 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 they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!

**All: Praise to you, O Christ!**

## Message

“Good Goodbye & See Ya Later ” based upon Luke 24 and Acts 1 by Pastor Tony Prinsen

## Song of the Day

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Verse 1

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!  
to his throne beyond the skies. Alleluia!  
Christ, the Lamb for sinners giv'n, Alleluia!  
now ascends the highest heav'n. Alleluia!

Verse 2

There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluia!  
lift your heads, eternal gates. Alleluia!  
Christ has conquered death and sin; Alleluia!  
take the King of glory in. Alleluia!

Verse 3

Highest heav'n its Lord receives; Alleluia!  
yet he loves the earth he leaves. Alleluia!  
Though returning to his throne, Alleluia!  
still he calls the world his own. Alleluia!

Verse 4



See, he lifts his hands above; Alleluia!  
See, he shows the wounds of love; Alleluia!

Hark, his gracious lips bestow, Alleluia!  
Blessings on his Church below. Alleluia!

Verse 5  
Christ for us still intercede; Alleluia!  
By your suffering for us plead, Alleluia!  
Make us worthy of the place, Alleluia!  
Which you offer us by grace. Alleluia!

Verse 6  
There we shall with you remain, Alleluia!  
partners of your endless reign, Alleluia!  
There your face unclouded see, Alleluia!  
Live with you eternally. Alleluia!

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## **Nicene Creed**

Pastor: We confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**



**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Leader: May the peace of the risen Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Pastor: God of harmony, as you drew your son to your side, you draw us to you and unite us with the planet and one another. Weave your church together in a web of mutual love for the sake of the world. Hear us, O God.

**All: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: As your Spirit hovered over the waters of creation, so your Spirit hovers over all that you have made. Bless the water that sustains the planet and grant wisdom to use it wisely. Hear us, O God.

**All: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: You empower your people with the fire of your Spirit. Challenge activists and organizers, teachers and politicians, and all in leadership to speak a message of peace and justice. Hear us, O God.

**All: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: You care for all your children. Show your steadfast love to those in need. We pray for... Hear us, O God.

**All: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: We give thanks that humankind serves as your body in the world, stewarding your abundant gifts. Guide this congregation's leaders as they seek your will. We pray for our congregation, ministry leaders, staff and council. Hear us, O God.

**All: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: You raise your saints to new life in Christ. We give you thanks for all your saints who have given us glimpses of your redeeming love especially Judy and Mildred. Hear us, O God.

**All: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**All: Amen.**



## **Offering**

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at [www.elcvienna.org/give](http://www.elcvienna.org/give) or mailed into the church. Every gift matters!

## **Offering Music**

Let The Church Rise

Verse 1

We are alive filled with Your glorious life  
Out of the dark into Your marvelous light  
We are waiting with expectations  
Spirit raise us up with You

Chorus

Let the church rise from the ashes  
Let the church fall to her knees  
Let us be light in the darkness  
Let the church rise  
Let the church rise

Verse 2

Moving with power  
Bringing Your Name to the earth  
Singing Your praises  
Lifting up glorious songs  
We are moving with His compassion  
Spirit fill our hearts with You

Bridge

Let Your wind blow  
Let Your wind blow  
Let Your wind blow  
Revive us again Lord

CCLI Song # 4821933

Israel Houghton | Jonathan Stockstill

## **Meal: Jesus Gives Us Forgiveness and Life**

## **Holy Communion Words of Institution**





Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray..

**All: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God! Come all are welcome!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

### **Communion Instructions**

*All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be dipped in wine and handed to you. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. We have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communing children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have been communed.*

### **Communion Music**

In the Breaking of the Bread  
Michael P. Ward  
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**Sending: The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Mission to the World**



## **Invitation to Ministry**

*As the Spirit leads us out into mission in the world, we invite you to join us in our ministries. We invite our newcomers to stop by the welcome table just outside the sanctuary to connect and learn more about the work of our congregation.*

## **Spring Endowment Campaign**

Susan Olenchuk

## **Faith Formation Leaders Blessing**

### **Blessing**

Pastor: The God of all, who raised ☩ Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

**All: Amen.**

### **Sending Song**

Arise

Verse

One thing we ask of You  
One thing that we desire  
That as we worship You  
Lord come and change our lives  
Arise arise arise arise

Chorus

Arise take Your place  
Be enthroned on our praise  
Arise King of kings  
Holy God as we sing  
Arise (arise) arise (arise)  
Arise (arise) arise (arise)

Bridge

We lift You up  
We lift You up  
We lift You up on our praises  
(REPEAT)



CCLI Song # 4032337  
Don Moen | Paul Baloche

### **Sending**

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Recessional Music**

Arise

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Don Moen | Paul Baloche

**Thank you so much for worshipping with us!**

### **Our Mission and Vision**

Our mission is to nurture, grow, and share our Christian faith as Lutherans in a multi-cultural world. We envision Emmanuel Lutheran Church as a welcoming, vibrant, growing, and faith-filled Christian community whose participants generously share their time, talents, and resources in a changing world.

### **Our Welcome Statement**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church welcomes all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome and affirm full participation by all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, culture, national origin, citizenship status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, relationship or socio-economic status, addictions, physical or mental health, disability, imprisonment, age, or other circumstances. OUR UNITY IS IN CHRIST.

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