

Mount Olive Lutheran Church

&

St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church

Joint Ascension Service
May 1, 2008

Chimes

Welcome

Opening Hymn 171 s. 1-4 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Please Stand.

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

C: Amen.

M: Let the people praise you, O God.

C: Let all the people praise you.

M: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.

C: How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth!

M: God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.

C: God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of the trumpets.

M: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Song of Praise Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns As thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.

Confession and Absolution

M: We are in the presence of the true and living God, who is ever willing to forgive. Let us come to Him in repentance and faith and be assured that He receives us in mercy.

C: Holy God, our maker and judge, I confess that I am sinful. Every day I turn away from your will; I do not love you and others as I should. I have disobeyed you and deserve to be punished. But I am truly sorry for my sins and trusting in Jesus, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me. Lord, forgive my sins.

M: God, our merciful Father, sent His Son Jesus to die for your sins. You are forgiven. Now may God strengthen you to love Him and to live according to His will.

Song of Thanksgiving Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by his blood."

Please be seated.

First Lesson: Acts 1:1-11

Gospel Lesson: Mark 16:14-20

Hymn 173 On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

Sermon: Daniel 7:13,14

Look Who Gets the Last Laugh

The Son of Man who faithfully fulfilled His mission
The sons and daughters of God who faithfully follow him

Hymn 170 Draw Us to Thee

Please Stand.

Prayer

M: Blessed Jesus, you ascended to the right hand of your Father's majesty, power, and glory and now reign as eternal King of kings and Lord of lords.

C: We praise you for your victory over sin, death, Satan, and hell.

M: O ascended Prophet, equip your Church to proclaim the precious gospel message of God's love for all the world.

C: Give courage to our hearts, power to our words, and success to our efforts.

M: O ascended High Priest, represent us before the Father as his own dear children and heirs. Defend us against Satan's every accusation. Ask for the Father's rich blessings in our everyday lives.

C: Plead for his mercy and grace on our behalf.

M: O ascended King, direct the affairs of governments and nations that they may serve the best interest of your Church.

C: You are our Lord, Master, and King.

M: As the disciples lifted their eyes to watch your ascension, so lift our eyes daily to look for your coming again in glory.

C: Lord Jesus, come quickly. Amen.

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Lord's Prayer

Benediction

M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: 🎵 Amen. Amen. Amen.

Please be seated.

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Thank you Pastor Tim Kemnitz for your comforting and inspiring message this evening. Thank you Matt Kanzenbach for playing the organ.

All are invited to join us in the basement for desserts.