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THE EVANGELIST

Thursday 13th May

Ascension Day

7.30pm - Service on Zoom

Welcome

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Christ has ascended on high.

He reigns forever. Alleluia.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. Alleluia.

Hymn: Crown Him With Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon His throne;
Hark, how the heavenly anthems drown
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 love;
Behold His hands and side,
Those wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downwards bends His burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
and all be prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
and round His pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres
ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
for Thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

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Confession

Seeing we have a great high priest who has passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurances of faith, and make our confession to our heavenly Father.

**O King enthroned on high,
filling the earth with your glory:
Lord God Almighty.
In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away,
and to cleanse our lips to speak your word,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Absolution

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Collect

Risen Christ,
you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven:
help us to seek and serve you,
that we may join you at the Father's side,
where you reign with the Spirit in glory,
now and forever.

The Word



Bible Reading

Acts 1: 1-11

Read by Warwick Fry

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 24: 44-end

Read by Brian Main

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon:

Revd. Susie Templeton

Video: You who fear the Lord

Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Led by Lesley Green

**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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

Song: High in the Heavens

High in the heavens, exalted,
name above all other names,
Lord over all of creation,
worthy of power and praise.
Blessing and honour and glory
are his eternal reward;
let every knee bow before him
and every tongue say he is Lord.

*Jesus, you are exalted and glorified.
Jesus, name above all names,
we'll lift you high.*

Clothed in the splendour of heaven,
Jesus, eternally God,
emptied yourself, came as nothing,
choosing the road to the cross.
Lord, you were found in our likeness,
shedding your glory to serve;
humble, not claiming advantage,
you laid down your life for the world.

Let us be found in your likeness,
learning to serve as you served,
filled with your Spirit, your fullness,
the fragrance of grace on the earth.
You love the heart that is humble,
you desire worship that's true;
voices that sing for your glory
and lives that bring honour to you.

*Saviour, all of creation will bow in awe.
Jesus, from every nation
we'll call you Lord,
to the glory of God. (repeat)*

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Blessing

God the Father,
Who has given to his Son the name above every name,
Strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.
Amen.

God the Son,
Who is our great high priest passed into the heavens
Plead for you at the right hand of the Father.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit,
Who pours out his abundant gifts upon the Church,
Make you faithful servants of Christ our King.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen

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