

ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

The Sunday after Ascension Day

May 12, 2024

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God! We are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

We give thanks to the Lord.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

We will sing praises to you among the nations!

For your steadfast love is great to the heavens,

Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

Let your glory be over all the earth!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Allelujah!

Psalm 57:9-11



Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

† COLLECT & 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 debts,
as we have forgiven our debtors
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.**

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING:

Jehovah to My Lord Has Said [Psalm 110]—150

CORPORATE READING OF GOD'S WORD

We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

1 John 5:18-21

‡ CONFESSION OF SIN

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess before you our sinful nature and our many offenses. We are prone to do evil and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Lord, we are ashamed and sorry for all the ways that we have displeased you. Father, teach us to hate our rebellious acts, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your Son. Hear us now as we continue in silent prayer, confessing our sins to you.

[We pause in prayer, and then conclude together...]

Gracious Father, help us to love you with all our heart and mind and strength, and give us the power of your Holy Spirit so that we may walk in your ways and serve you all of our days. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God*—415

† ABSOLUTION: Our Assurance of Forgiveness is declared
“In the Name of God the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit”
“Thanks be to God!”

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *I Will Sing My Maker’s Praises*—308



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We join together praying for the church, one another, and the world

**Scripture Lesson from
the Old Testament**
Genesis 25:19-34

**Scripture Lesson from
the Epistles**
1 Corinthians 15:50-58

“This is the Word of the Lord”
“Thanks be to God!”

† **Gospel Lesson**—Luke 24:36-53

“This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ”
“Praise be to Christ!”

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Gloria Patri*—436

† **Sermon Text**
Acts 9:1-19a

Sermon
The Public Transformation of an Unthinkable Convert
Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*—219

In Grateful Response We Present the Lord's Tithes & Our Offerings

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *The Doxology*

† Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication



† CONFESSION OF FAITH: *The Nicene Creed*

Let us declare our faith in God.

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 by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 worshipped and glorified, who spoke 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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

We commune with the Lord & with one another

The Lord's Supper should not be observed in individual homes

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Mighty Lord, Extend Your Kingdom*—insert

† BENEDICTION AND SINGING

Lead on, O King eternal:
We follow not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
Where're Thy face appears:
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

Lead On, O King Eternal [KINGS LYNN], verse 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

TODAY

The Sunday after Ascension Day—”The Scriptures trumpet the ascension as the pinnacle of our Lord’s redemptive work, the inauguration of our Lord’s intercession for us with the Father, and the birth of the church with the sending of the Holy Spirit.” (Roy Atwood)

THIS WEEK

No Midweek

Saturday, May 18—Pentecost Celebration, 4:00 - 8:30—Please join us for this festive celebration with members of Christ Covenant Granbury! There will be ample seating in our Fellowship Hall, around tables on the lawn under a large tent, or at tables in our courtyard. The order of the evening is as follows:

4:00-5:00 p.m.: Activities and Festivities for Children (bouncy houses and games on lawn)

5:00-6:30 p.m.: Mediterranean-Themed Dinner (Kafta Kabobs, Chicken Shawarma, Rice, Hummus, Baba Ghanoush, Arabic Salad, Dolmas)

6:30-7:15 p.m.: Singing and Dessert

7:15-8:30 p.m.: Festivities Continue through Sunset!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 26—Men’s Discipleship Breakfast—8:30 to 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall—Open to all men, young and old. Come for 90 minutes of great fellowship, food, teaching, and encouragement. An email invitation will be forthcoming soon.

June 2—Fellowship Meal—All are invited to attend this monthly fellowship meal. Details forthcoming.

June 10-13—Summer Sanctus XVII—For campers ages 13-18. Held at Timberline Baptist Camp and Conference Center in Lindale, TX. **Camp is now full. Sign up for waitlist** at www.summersanctus.org. Please direct any questions to Pastor Jeff Niell: hello@summersanctus.org.

Opportunity to Serve—Set up and clean up for baptism receptions. If you would like to serve our church in this way, please contact Pastor Shaw.

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