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ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! He is risen indeed, alleluia! Welcome to our ongoing Easter celebration, even as we mark our Lord's Ascension into Heaven. We are glad that you are here where God serves us with His free gift of the forgiveness of sins by grace through faith in the crucified, resurrected, and ascended Jesus Christ! Please come again at any time and feel free to participate in Pilgrim's other activities and to seek out Pilgrim's pastor for your spiritual direction. You are cordially invited to consider making Pilgrim your church home.

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The Δ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD 2026 MAY 14
DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE (*Lutheran Service Book*, pp.151-166.)

+++ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +++

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

Entrance Hymn: "Hail Thee, Festival Day" 489

(Note that we sing the refrain and the first and second stanzas appointed for Ascension. Also note that we sing the refrain only once at the beginning and once after each stanza.)

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First Reading (& Response): Acts 1:1-11 156

Psalm: Psalm 47 (antiphon: v.5)  47

(Chant the Psalm responsively: the congregation sings the indented and bold portions.

The indicated antiphon is sung both before the Psalm and after the *Gloria Patri*.

See *LSB* xxvi for how the text and the tone correspond.)

Epistle (& Response): Ephesians 1:15-23 156

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+++ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY +++

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Remo Gualtieri, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist.

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please *call* Pastor Galler.

THIS SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class (“Basic Bible Accounts”); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service, followed by a gathering of Pilgrim’s Mary/Martha Society.

Readings: Ac 1:12-26; Ps 68; 1 Pe 4:12-19; 5:6-11; and Jn 17:1-11.

Hymns: LSB 487, 539, 652, 517 (st.1,13, 3), 753, and 754.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

PILGRIM’S MARY/MARTHA SOCIETY will gather this Sunday, May 17, after the Divine Service in order to share lunch and to continue its study of the Women of the Bible, focusing on Anna (Luke 2:36-38). All women are invited and welcome to attend!

ELDERS’ MEETING: Pilgrim’s next regular Elders’ Meeting is scheduled for this Tuesday, May 19, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. If you have an item of concern that the Elders should address, please share it with Pastor Galler, your Elder, or one of the other Elders before then. Elders will please come having read and being prepared to discuss Augsburg Confession and Apology Article XVII: Christ’s Return for Judgment, *Concordia*, pp.40, 197.

CATECHESIS: On Thursday, May 21, the in-person adult class will meet starting at 12:30 p.m. in the Conference/Room Library; the Jitsi youth class will meet starting at 4:15 p.m. online, and the in-person family class will meet starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library.



***Jesus was lifted up,
and a cloud took Him out
of His disciples’ sight.***

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