

## Morning Worship May 24, 2020

### God Calls Us to Worship

#### The Prelude -

Tune for Trumpet - David N. Johnson

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise - Robert J. Powell

#### The Chiming of the Hour

##### The Introit – Clap Your Hands - Jimmy Owens

*Clap your hands, all you people; shout unto God with a voice of triumph!*

*Clap your hands, all you people; shout unto God with a voice of praise!*

*Hosanna! Hosanna! Shout unto God with a voice of triumph!*

*Praise him! Praise him! Shout unto God with a voice of praise!*

*Clap your hands, all you people; Christ has ascended into heaven!*

*Clap your hands, all your people; Christ has ascended with shouts of joy!*

*Hosanna! Hosanna! Christ has ascended into heaven!*

*Praise him! Praise him! Christ has ascended with shouts of joy!*

Words: stanza 1, Psalm 47:1, para. Jimmy Owens, 1972; stanza 2, Bert Polman, 1991; c. 1972, Bud John Songs (admin. Sparrow Corporation), used by permission under CCLI #461624

#### The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 223:1,2,4

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

**Crown him with many crowns,**

**the Lamb upon his throne;**

**Hark! how the heavenly 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 life,**

**who triumphed o’er the grave,**

**who rose victorious in the strife**

**for those he came to save;**

**his glories now we sing**

**who died and reigns on high,**

**who died eternal life to bring,**

**and lives that death may die.**

**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.**

The Greeting

The People's Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

We Commit to Living as People of the Ascension

Christ's Ascension and Ours: Ephesians 2:4-10 (these words remind us of our exalted status in Christ Jesus – these words stand in opposition to the small and fearful lives we sometimes live)

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness: 1 Peter 5:10-11

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 219:1,2,4

**"Jesus Shall Reign"**

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
does its successive journeys run,  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

**To him shall endless prayer be made,  
and praises throng to crown his head.  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise  
with every morning sacrifice.**

**Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.**

The Confession: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 49

Q. How does Christ's ascension to heaven benefit us?

**A. First, he is our advocate in heaven in the presence of his Father.**

**Second, we have our own flesh in heaven  
as a sure pledge that Christ our head  
will also take us, his members, up to himself.**

**Third, he sends his Spirit to us on earth as a corresponding pledge.  
By the Spirit's power we seek not earthly things  
but the things above, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.**

The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 219:5

**Let every creature rise and bring  
the highest honors to our King,  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud amen.**

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Pastoral Prayer – concluded by the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
your kingdom come; your will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Anthem – God Has Gone Up - David Lee

*Refrain: God has gone up with a shout of rejoicing: he has ascended in glory!  
O clap your hands, clap your hands all you people: he has ascended in glory!*

*Great is the Lord and how great is his kingdom, rooted in heaven and earth.  
Ruler on high over all of the nations, Lord over all of the world. (Refrain)*

*All of the nations assemble before him: all of the rich and the poor.  
All of the servants rejoice in his justice, singing his praise evermore. (Refrain)*

*Praise to our Lord, O sing praise to our Savior, praise to our God and our King!  
Worthy the Lamb who was slain and is risen: glory and honor to him. (Refrain)*

Words: David Lee c. 1996 David Lee

The Offertory – Crown Him with Many Crowns - Sue Mitchell-Wallace and John H. Head

The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

God Speaks to Us

The Children's Message

[Click here](#) for "Children's Worship – Jesus' Ascension" video

Organ Interlude- Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above - Michael Helman

The Scripture: John 13:1-15

The Sermon: "All Things Under His Power"

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Go in His Peace

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 109:1,2,4

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

**Hail to the Lord's anointed,  
great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
your reign on earth begun!  
You come to break oppression,  
to set the captive free,  
to take away transgression,  
and rule in equity.**

**You come with rescue speedy  
to those who suffer wrong,  
to help the poor and needy,  
and bid the weak be strong;  
to give them songs for sighing,  
their darkness turn to light,  
whose souls, condemned and dying,  
are precious in your sight.**

**Kings shall fall down before you,  
and gold and incense bring;  
all nations shall adore you,  
your praise all people sing.  
To you shall prayer unceasing  
and daily vows ascend,  
your kingdom still increasing,  
a kingdom without end.**

The Benediction

The People's Response: **Amen.**

The Organ Amen

The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

The Postlude - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name - David Schelat

Participants:

Dr. Larry Visser - organist, pianist

Rev. Kristy Manion – liturgist

Aaron Good - trumpeter

Bill VanEe - vocalist

Rev. Peter Jonker – preaching minister