

WELCOME TO...

The Presbyterian Church of
Saint David

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THE ASCENSION

Call to Worship:

L. Before Jesus arose into heaven, He told his disciples that He would send the Holy Spirit to be with them.

P. He now resides in the dimension of the divine and the fruition of His promise has come to pass.

L. Let us worship God for all that is promised and given to us.

P. Let us worship God for His great love for us.

Hymn: 450 Great Shepherd of your people hear

Morning Prayer (in unison)

Risen Christ,

You have ascended into heaven to take your seat on the right hand of God. You hear the angels and archangels acclaiming your power, majesty and might. This morning we lift our voices with all who would proclaim you King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Yet you have not left us alone, but have given us the company of the Holy Spirit, who sustains us in every moment of time. As we enjoy the blessing of this gift, let us in return, be a blessing to your life and ministry on earth.

Help us to help each other and when we fail, forgive us and show us the way of your love and mercy, your truth and justice. In your name and for your love's sake, we pray.

Amen

Hymn: 275 Jesus shall reign where're the sun (vs 1&2)

Responsive Psalm: 47

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy. For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth. He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. 7 For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm. God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

Scripture Reading: Luke 24: 44-53

44 Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and

he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." 50 Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; 53 and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Hymn: 275 (vs 3,4,5)

Meditation: LORD

Invitation

Hymn: 530 I come with joy (vs 1,2,3)

Service of Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L. The Lord is here. **P. God's spirit is with us**

L. Lift up your hearts. **P. We lift them to the Lord.**

L. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **P. It is right to give thanks and praise.**

(Prayer of Thanksgiving continues & ends with The Lord's Prayer (debts))

Setting Apart and Breaking of the Bread

Distribution

Closing Prayer

Dismissal (in unison)

Almighty God,

Your blessed Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has ascended far above all heavens to sit on the throne of God. By His Spirit, we are sustained at table to go out into the world and bring good news and kind deeds to all we meet. May we always proclaim Him King of Kings and Lord of Lords, the Three in One and One in Three, now and forever. Amen

Hymn: 530 (vs 4&5)

