

ASCENSION DAY WORSHIP
MAY 16, 20221

PRELUDE "A Mighty Fortress" --arr. Held

CALL TO WORSHIP

Clap your hands, all you peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
With praise and thanksgiving worship God,
who reigns in majesty above the mighty waters.
We will not stand looking up toward heaven,
for God is moving in this place!

SOLO "At the Cross" --Jackie Davis

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, in Christ you bore the suffering of the world
and made us witnesses to your grace.
In your Word you showed us your vision of peace
and made us witnesses to your promises.
Forgive us, O God, when we fail to work for your reign,
forgetting that you have called us to bear your truth.
Forgive us, O God, when we gaze up toward heaven,
forgetting that you have called us to do your work on earth.
Forgive us, O God, and by your forgiveness,
enlighten us to recognize the resurrection all around us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Friends believe the Good News of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.**

SOLO "Be Enthroned"

--Jackie Davis

GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:44-53

SERMON

HYMN # 458 Thy Word

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
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**When I feel afraid, and think I've lost my way,
Still you're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.**

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
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PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN # 313 "Lord, Make Us More Holy"

**Lord, make us more holy; Lord, make us more holy;
Lord, make us more holy, until we meet again:
Holy, hoy, holy, until we meet again.**

**Lord, make us more loving; Lord, make us more loving;
Lord, make us more loving, until we meet again:
Loving, loving, loving, until we meet again.**

**Lord, make us more patient; Lord, make us more patient;
Lord, make us more patient until we meet again:
Patient, patient, patient, until we meet again.**

**Lord, make us more faithful; Lord, make us more faithful;
Lord, make us more faithful, until we meet again.
Faithful, faithful, faithful, until we meet again**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Hornpipe"

-Handel