

Sending into God's World

†Benediction

Rev. Sherouse

†Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, all praise to you let
earth ac - cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You are, while
end-less a - ges run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it
one. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of **Ken, Judy, Sadie, Carroll, Glenn, and Mary.**

The rosebud welcomes **Nama James Morlu**, born on May 3 to parents Nama Morlu and Katherine Ewell.

Guests are warmly welcomed today. There are several ways during the worship hour that we can become better acquainted. During the **Words of Friendship** we will share a personal greeting with those sitting around us. You will find a **Connection Card** in the bulletin that can be filled out and dropped in the offering plate as it is passed in the service. **Ministers** will also be greeting worshipers at each exit door after the service.

The Worship of God

Ascension Sunday

May 13, 2018

God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to our **King**, sing praises.
For **God** is the king of all the earth!

— from Psalm 47

Gathering at God's Invitation

Music for Gathering

Marietta Mobley *piano*

Christ Candle

Anna Hartis

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

Ministry of Music

Innes/Fasig

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Matt Messick *piano*, Doug Vancil *organ*

†Responsive Call to Worship

Terri Vancil

Jesus Christ has come into heaven and is at God's right hand—
with angels, authorities, and powers in submission to him.

Since we have a great high priest
 who has gone into heaven—
 Jesus, the son of God—
 let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.
 Let us praise his holy name!

Salvation belongs to our God,
 who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!

**Blessing, glory, wisdom, thanks, honor, power,
 and strength be to our God forevermore!**

Alleluia, Amen!

Alleluia!

†Hymn of Praise 92

DIADEMATA

Crown Him with Many Crowns

†Words of Friendship

Sarah Parker

Prayers of God's People

Rev. Darnysha Nard

A Family Covenanting

Christina McCord
 Rev. Sherouse

George David Stone, son of Jamie and David Stone



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Scripture Lesson

Sarah Parker

Luke 24.44-53

Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

Jesus in His Own Words | Ascended One

Hearing God's Word

Opening of God's Word

Tanner Baugh



†Hymn of Response 259

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

(Please omit stanza four.)

Musical Interlude

Offertory Prayer

Gary Upchurch, deacon

Choral Offering

Richard Smallwood/Doreen Rao

Total Praise

High School Choir

Jamell Strickland soloist, Matt Messick piano