

# THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

NAZARETH LUTHERAN CHURCH of SOUTH BRISBANE  
*LAY LED SERVICE WITHOUT HOLY COMMUNION*

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*HYMNS: 111, 113, 782, 219*

*"Be Alive in Christ and make Him known"*

*We do this by growing spiritually in God's Word, allowing God to use us to grow His Church, by being Christ focused, being community focused and being inclusive.*

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**Welcome Visitors! Please join us for a cuppa and fellowship after service.**

## Welcome

L: God raised Christ from the dead,

C: **and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places. Hallelujah.**  
(*Eph 1:20 NRSV*)

## Invocation

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

♪C: **Amen.**

 Hymn No: 111     Hail the day that sees Him rise

## Confession of Sins and Absolution

L: Dear friends in Christ: let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

♪C: **He made heaven and earth.**

L: I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

♪C: **Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.**

L: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess to you that by nature we are sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy and plead for your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us: Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of you and your will, and make us obedient to your Word, so that by your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in his name he has given the right to become the children of God, and has given them his Holy Spirit.

He who believes and is baptized will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all.

**C:** Amen.

### Psalm 110

**Cantor:** The Lord says to my Lord: 'Sit at my right hand, till I make your enemies your footstool.'

The Lord sends forth from Zion your mighty sceptre. Rule in the midst of your foes.

Your people will offer themselves freely on the day you lead your host upon the holy mountains. From the womb of the morning like dew your youth will come to you.

The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind: 'You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.'

The Lord is at your right hand. He will shatter kings on the day of His wrath.

He will execute judgement among the nations, filling them with corpses. He will shatter chiefs over the wide earth.

He will drink from the brook by the way; therefore He will lift up His head.

**♫C:** Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for evermore. Amen.

 Kyrie

**♫ALL:** Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

### Doxology

**L:** Glory to God in the highest

**♫C:** and on earth peace, among those with whom he is pleased. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly king, God, the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For you alone are holy, you alone are Lord, you alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

L: The Lord be with you.

♫C: And also with you.

### Prayer of the Day – (Collect)

L: Let us pray that Christ will rule over all.

C: Thank you, eternal Father, that your Son Jesus ascended to your right hand, to rule over all things as Lord. Keep your church in the unity that the Spirit gives, and bring all creation to submit to Christ as Lord. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.


 First Reading: Acts 1:1-11 Jesus' ascension, promise and commission

*After the reading:* This is the Word of the Lord

*Please respond:* Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23 Christ is the supreme Lord over all things

*After the reading:* This is the word of the Lord.

 C♫ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:44-53 Jesus commissions and blesses the disciples

*Before the reading* ♫C Glory be to you, O Lord.

*After the reading* ♫C Praise be to you, O Christ.

C: Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for fulfilling the Scriptures and returning to the Father. Fill us with the joy of your continual presence. Amen.



## The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father, Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



Hymn No: 113 Crown Him with many crowns

## Sermon



Hymn No: 782 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow



## Offertory Prayer

✪C: What can I offer to the Lord: for all his goodness to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation: and call on the name of the Lord. I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving: and call on the name of the Lord. I will keep my promises to the Lord: in the presence of all his people; In the courts of the house of the Lord: in your midst, O Jerusalem.

L: Living God, your Son Jesus Christ at his ascension gave gifts to his church. Lead us, as members of his body on earth, to use the gifts we have received to do your will.

C: Amen.



## Prayer of the Church

The response to each petition:

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: hear our prayer.



## The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

## The Blessing

L: The Lord bless us and keep us.  
The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.  
The Lord look upon us with favour † and give us peace.

♪C: Amen. Amen. Amen.



♪Hymn No: 219 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun