

Assurance of Pardon: *(Rise and Hear the Good News of God's Forgiveness)*

Pastor: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace!

People: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen!

*Hymns of Faith: *Insert*, Psalm 97
Insert, Psalm 47

People: Amen!

God Consecrates Us

*Responsive Psalm Psalm 47

O clap your hands, all you peoples!

Shout to God with the voice of triumph!

For Yahweh most high is awesome;

A great King over all the earth.

He subdues the peoples under us,

And the nations under our feet.

He chooses our inheritance for us,

The excellence of Jacob, whom He loves.

God has ascended amidst a shout,

Yahweh amidst the sound of a trumpet.

Sing praises to God!

Sing praises!

Sing praises to our King!

Sing praises!

For God is the King of all the earth;

Sing praises with understanding.

God reigns over the nations;

God sits on His holy throne.

The princes of the peoples have gathered together

As the people of the God of Abraham.

For the shields of the earth belong to God.

He is greatly exalted.

Blessed be Yahweh God, the God of Israel,

Who alone does wondrous works.

Yes, blessed be His glorious name everlastingly,

And may His glory fill the whole earth.

Amen!

Yes, amen!

Confession of the Apostles' Creed

We confess our common faith with one voice as the people of God. Confess your Trinitarian faith remembering our Lord Jesus' promise: "Therefore whoever confesses me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 10:32).

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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hades, the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Psalm 47:2

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

*Reading of God's Word

New Covenant Readings: Acts 1:1-11 & Ephesians 1:15-23

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn of Faith: *Insert*, Lo, God to Heaven Ascendeth

People: Amen!

Sermon:

Rev. Uriesou T. Brito

Text:

Luke 24: 44-53

Title:

Ascension and Dominion

Prayer for Illumination

Pastor: Amen. **People: Amen.**

God Communes With Us

Observance of Holy Communion

God in His Word has graciously promised His children eternal life in Christ, and our Father has added this Communion meal as a confirmation of His unchangeable promise. The deacons and elders will serve the meal to the congregation. Please pass the elements to one another as the Body of Christ. Let us together take the cup and eat the bread, partaking worthily and discerning the Lord's body.

Passing of the Bread (*Insert*, Look, Ye Saints)

Passing of the Wine (Passing the Peace of Christ to one another)

*†Congregational Response

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, Amen.

God Commissions Us

*The Lord's Commission

Matthew 28:18-20

*Closing Hymn: *Insert*, A Hymn of Glory Let us Sing

†Benediction

* Three-Fold Amen & Postlude

**The congregation will please stand*

†*Hands Raised*

Announcements

- **Calendar item(s)**

May 16th – Wine and Psalm Singing Party at Heifner's, 5PM
May 30th –Fellowship Meal at the Smith's
For other events in our Church Calendar, visit
www.providencpensacola.org/calendar.aspx

- During Sunday School, Rev. James Jordan will continue his series on Jonah.

This Week in Family Worship

Scriptures: Genesis 11:1-19; Psalm 143; Acts 2:1-21;
John 14:23-31

Basics of Family Worship

Parents are responsible to teach the Word of God to their children and make sure they understand what they hear from the pulpit on the Lord's Day (Deuteronomy 6:6-9). Set aside a brief time each day to sit down as a family and worship the Lord together. You can do the following three things in 15 minutes or less, but the benefits you reap will be eternal.

1. Sing a psalm/hymn.
2. Read a Scripture passage, and then discuss and apply it.
3. Pray together, taking your petitions to the Lord.

Meditation for the Week

Christ's ascension undergirds the church's mission. This is so, because Jesus not only intercedes for the church, he prays for the nations. Psalm 2 is very explicit: When the Father enthroned the Son at his right hand, he promised the nations to him as his inheritance. As the Son asks the Father, the nations are enfolded into his kingdom.—Rich Lusk

Sermon Outline

- I. Liturgical Observations
- II. Jesus' Ascension is our Ascension
- III. Ascension Implications
- IV. The Unfolding of Christ's Dominion
- V. The Heavenly Ethic
- VI. Dominion from Zion

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Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to our guests this morning. We are glad you are joining in worship with Providence Church this Lord's Day, and we pray that your soul will be challenged and fed by the Word of Christ. We invite our guests to remain after the service so that our members may greet



The Lord's Service

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 16th, 2010

God is Renewing Covenant With His People

God Calls Us and Cleanses Us

Prelude

Exhortation:

Interlude

*Call to Worship

Psalm 95:2

Salutation:

Pastor: Jesus Christ is risen!

Congregation: Praise God! He is risen indeed!

Confession of Sin (*The congregation is invited to kneel if able*)

Unison: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to your call to peace. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen. *Silent Prayer.*

Omnia et in omnibus Christus – Christ all and in all