

# June 2, 2019 Ascension Sunday



#### **Christus Victor**

The traditional monograms **IC** and **XC** are ancient Latin abbreviations for **Jesus** (*IHCOYC*, a Latinized form of his Greek name) and **Christ** (*XRICTOC*). **NIKA** means Victor or Conqueror. Jesus Christ was born to conquer sin, death, and the Devil. The cross in the center of the world reminds us that Jesus has conquered by means of his suffering, death, and resurrection. Jesus now reigns because he died for us.

White symbolizes the promise of the glorious transfiguration of our flesh because of the glorification of Jesus in his resurrection from the dead.

LORD's Day Service – June 2, 2019 Ascension Sunday

Preparation for Worship: Mark 16:19-20

Welcome

## Entrance - God Calls Us; we gather together and praise Him

\* Call to Worship

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

Pastor:	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Congregation:	He is risen indeed! Alleluia
Pastor:	Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the
	Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation:	Amen!
Pastor:	The Lord be with you.
Congregation:	And also with you.
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\* Hymn of Praise

Trinity Hymnal, #212 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

### <u>Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him</u> and are forgiven in Christ

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

# But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us kneel before the Lord our God. (Those unable to kneel may be seated.)

O most merciful God, since You have given Your only begotten Son to die for me, have mercy on me, and for His sake grant me remission of all my sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace I may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news! Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ. Believe this and rejoice! And the people say...

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

#### <u>Ascension – God Consecrates Us; we listen to Him</u> and offer our works and lives to Him

Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord! Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! It is proper and right to do so!

Truly it is fitting and our greatest joy to give thanks to You at all times and in all places, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

\*The Sanctus

(inside hymnal or psalter cover)

\*Hymn of Preparation

Psalter, #47A All Peoples, Clap Your Hands for Joy

Let us pray: O God, King of glory, You have exalted Your blessed Son our ascended Savior Jesus Christ with great triumph to Your right hand, that He might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to His promise, He abides with His Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!	Psalm 110
New Testament Lesson The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!	Colossians 1:24-29
* Gospel Lesson The Gospel of our Lord Jesu Praise to You, O Christ!	s. Matthew 16:24-28
Sermon	"Minister of the Mystery: the King Living within You"
* Hymn of Consecration	Trinity Hymnal, #314 Hosanna to the Living Lord!
* Dedication of Tithes & Offen	ings
Prayers of the Church	Requests & Lord's Prayer

# Peace - God Communes with Us; we eat at His table

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	1 Corinthians 11:23-26
We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God	Creed (inside hymnal cover)
* Hymn of Thanksgiving	Trinity Hymnal, #213 Golden Harps Are Sounding

### Benediction - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we march out to serve Him

* The Lord's Commission of Us	Colossians 1:28
* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us	2 Corinthians 13:14
* We Bless the Lord, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him	Doxology
* Threefold Amen	

#### LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

- 1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
- Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
- 3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
- 4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church. (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

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