

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
*Ascension of the Lord*  
**Seventh Sunday of Eastertide**  
*May 4, 2008*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**PRELUDE**                      How Brightly Beams The Morning Star                      Bach

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Sing to God, sing praises to God's name.

**God protects the vulnerable and shelters the weak.**

God gives a home to the homeless and leads the prisoners to prosperity.

**Sing to God, sings praises to God's name.**

**\*HYMN**                      "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"                      482

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*God of grace and God of glory, you have clothed us with power from on high. Christ, who is risen and ascended, has opened our minds to understand you and our hearts to know the hope to which you call us. Still we feel helpless in the face of sin, paralyzed by evil's sway in the world, unsure of your power to redeem what seems lost. Convict us of our doubt, convince us of our heritage, and renew us, O God, in your wisdom, mercy, and power.*

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**READING FROM ACTS**                      Acts 1:1-14

*The author of Acts begins by summarizing the book of Luke, including the Ascension. Jesus is taken up to heaven and the disciples devote themselves to prayer.*

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

**ANTHEM**                      When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder                      Clark

**READING OF THE GOSPEL**                      John 17:1-11

*Jesus prays for his disciples, saying his hour has come.*

This is the Word of the Risen Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**SERMON**                      "The In-Between Times"                      Reverend Georgia N. King

**\*HYMN**                      "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"                      142

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**                      The Apostles' Creed                      14

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**                      Garden of Gethsemane                      Davenport

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN**                      "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"                      423

**\*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING RESPONSE**                      You Are Worthy  
You are worthy God almighty. God almighty, praise and honor to you belong.

**\*POSTLUDE**                      Grand Choeur                      Frank

\*                      Those who are comfortable doing so are invited to stand.

**Welcome** to all who worship with us this morning. Visitors and members are asked to please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad. Thank you for worshipping with us!

**Our Sympathy** To Julia Kash and family on the death of her mother in law (Mrs Robert Knispel) in San Marcos, Texas. Services are Saturday May 3, 2008.

**Wednesday, May 7**, Potluck at 6:00pm with Choir practice and Game Night beginning at 7:00.

**Flowers** have been placed in the Sanctuary this morning by the Paces in honor of Ann and David Portes.

**Helping Hands** contribution for May is canned fruit.



The Reverend Georgia N. King, Pastor, Organist-Choir Director- Mrs. Pat Petty

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Sun. May 11<sup>th</sup>** 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class – Fellowship Hall  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

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