



## Ascension Day

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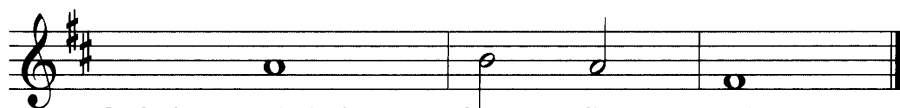
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## † *THE ORDER OF ASCENSION WORSHIP* †

**Hymn:**.....TLH 214: Lo, God to Heaven Ascendeth

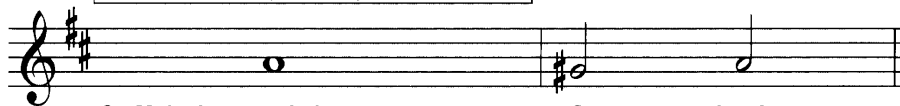
**Opening Liturgy:**.....TLH, p. 32 ff., The Order of Matins

*P: O Lord, open Thou my lips.*

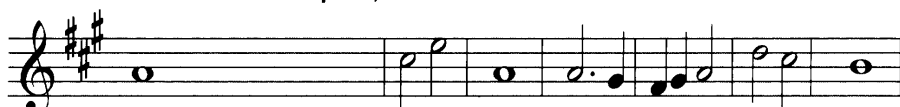


C: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

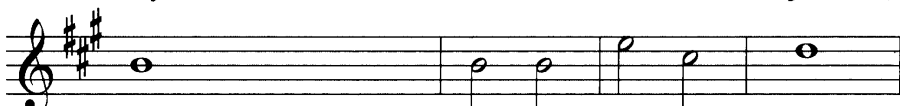
*P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.*



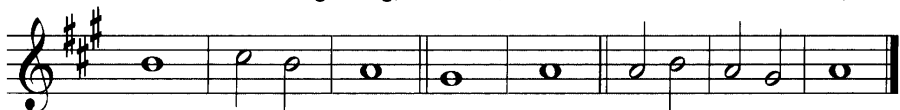
C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

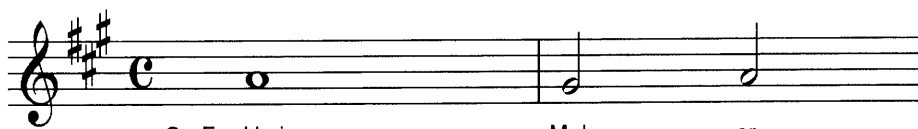


As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be,



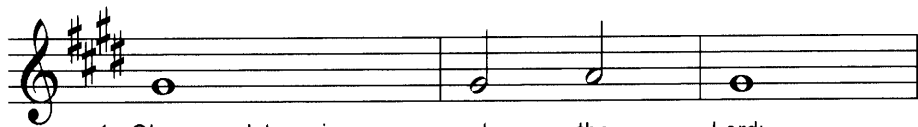
world with-out end. A - men. Hal-le - lu - jah!

*P: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:*



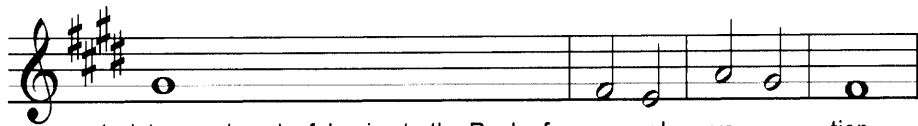
C: For He is our

Mak - er.



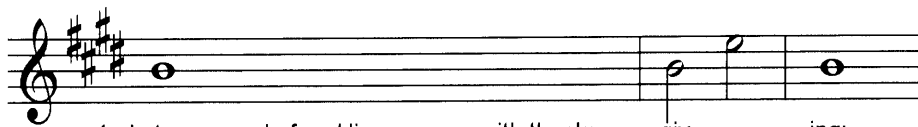
1. Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord:
2. For the Lord is a great God:
3. The sea is His, and He made it:

5. Glory be to the Father and to the Son:



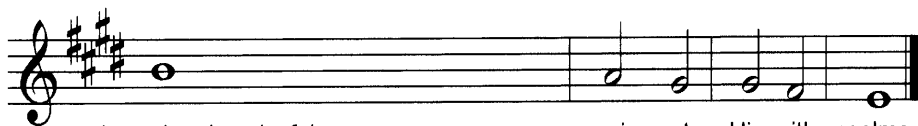
1. let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our sal - va - tion.
2. and a great King a - bove all gods.
3. and His hands form-ed the dry land.

5. and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



1. Let us come before His presence with thanks - giv - ing:
2. In His hand are the deep places of the earth:
3. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down:

- 4. For He is our God:
5. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,



1. and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.
2. the strength of the hills is His al - so.
3. let us kneel before the Lord, our Mak - er.
4. and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
5. world with - out end. A - men.

**Responsive Psalm:**.....Psalm 47

*P: Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples!*

**C: Shout to God with the voice of triumph!**

*P: For the LORD Most High is awesome;*

**C: He is a great King over all the earth.**

*P: He will subdue the peoples under us,*

**C: And the nations under our feet.**

*P: He will choose our inheritance for us,*

**C: The excellence of Jacob whom He loves.**

*P: God has gone up with a shout,*

**C: The LORD with the sound of a trumpet.**

*P: Sing praises to God, sing praises!*

**C: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

*P: For God is the King of all the earth;*

**C: Sing praises with understanding.**

*P: God reigns over the nations;*

**C: God sits on His holy throne.**

*P: The princes of the people have gathered together, The people of the God of Abraham.*

**C: For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted.**



**First Reading:**.....Luke 24:44-53

*Jesus ascends into heavenly glory.*

**Second Reading:**.....Ephesians 1:16-23

*God's Son is exalted above all things, giving us great hope.*

**Ascension Creed:**.....Article 3, Augsburg Confession



**I believe that God the Son became man, born of the virgin Mary, and the two natures, divine and human, are so inseparably united in one person that there is one Christ, true God and true man, who was truly born, suffered, was crucified, died, and was buried in order to be a sacrifice not only for original sin but also for all other sins and to propitiate God's wrath. The same Christ also descended into hell, truly rose from the dead on the third day, ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God, that He may eternally rule and have dominion over all creatures, that through the Holy Spirit he may sanctify, purify, strengthen, and comfort all who believe in Him, that He may bestow on them life and every grace and blessing, and that He may protect and defend them against the devil and against sin. The same Lord Jesus Christ will return openly to judge the living and the dead, as stated in the Apostolic Creed.**

**Hymn:**.....TLH 215: DRAW US TO THEE

## **The Ascension Message:.....**Acts 1:1-11

(1) The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, (2) until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, (3) to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. (4) And being assembled together with *them*, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "*which, He said, "you have heard from Me; (5) "for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."* (6) Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" (7) And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. (8) "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (9) Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. (10) And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, (11) who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This *same* Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven." (NKJV<sup>TM</sup>)

## **Lofty Expectations** **When You Least Expect Them**

**Choir:.....**A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Note: After choir sings 4 stanzas, congregation joins in:

**O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
All praise to You let earth accord; Alleluia!  
You are, while endless ages run,  
With Father and with Spirit one. Alleluia!**

**Offering, Prayers, Benediction:**

**Hymn:.....**WS 796: The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended

*Alleluia!*