

# Ascension Sunday

## May 16, 2021

(\*\*Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude "Blessed Be the Name" Ralph Hudson/John Innes

Greeting/Life of the Church Pastor Andy Wagner

\*\*Call to Worship

L: Risen with Christ, let us seek the realities of the Spirit.

**P: Our life is hidden with Christ in God.**

L: He who descended is also ascended far above the heavens, that he might fill all things.

**A: When Christ, our Life appears, we shall appear with him in glory! Alleluia!**

\*\*Opening Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" UMH#327

Opening Prayer (unison)

**O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven. Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

Blessing of the Prayer Shawls

Prayer Hymn "There's Something About That Name" (2x) UMH#171

Prayers of the Faithful & the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

Ministry of Music

"I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary" Bill Gaither/Harold DeCou  
Joyce Smith, Pam Colbrunn, Stephanie Leupp, Ladies trio

\*\*Gospel Lesson

Luke 24: 44-53

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Sermon "Power on High" Pastor Andy Wagner

\*\*Closing Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"  
(vs 1,2,4,6) UMH#154

\*\*Sending Forth

\*\*Postlude "There is Power in the Blood" Lewis E. Jones



*Altar Flowers are given by Jerry & Judy Mahan in honor of  
their 54<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on May 20.*



Monday 17	Life Line Screening	9:00 am	FCC
	Women of Faith	1:00 pm	Rm 15 C
	Men of Faith	6:00 pm	Rm 16 A-B
	Cub Scouts	6:10 pm	Rm 15 A-B
	Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	Rm 15 C
Tuesday 18	Dorcas Circle	1:00 pm	Rm 15 A-B
	Girl Scouts	6:00 pm	Rm 15 A,B,C, 16A
Wednesday 19	<b>DEADLINE FOR 5/23/21 BULLETIN</b>		
	Worship Design Team	3:00 pm	Library
	Praise Band Practice	7:00 pm	FCC
Thursday 20	Prayer Shawl	11:00 am	Rm 16 A-B
Friday 21			
Saturday 22	Double I	5:00 pm	Rm 15 A & Kitchen
Sunday 23	Traditional Worship	9:00 am	Sanctuary
	Sunday School	10:00 am	Rm 6, 12, 15 C, 16A, Parlor, Library
	Contemporary Worship	11:00 am	FCC
	Boy Scouts Troop 140	5:00 pm	Rm 15 A

#### Sunday School Studies

**Explorers** meet in Room 6, Leader Cheryl Vahle, 6 week study of "Nehemiah" by Dr. Tony Evans.

**Double I** meet in 15C, Leader Wayne Cook, 8 week study of "The Risen Christ – Jesus' Final Words on Earth" by Bill Weimer.

**Open Doors** meet in Parlor, Leader Sandy Pramer study "Feeling Secure in a Troubled World" by Charles Stanley.

**Friends & Followers** meet in the Library, Leader Chad Mousing.

**Grades 6-12** will meet in Rm 16 A-B, Leader Joyce Smith.

**Preschool – Grade 5** Join the children in Rm 12 under the leadership of Karen Mousing, and Kylie Fleming for Bible Stories and activities to reinforce the Bible Story of the day.



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#### Worship Team

Ushers	Bob McColaugh, Bill Turner, Rick Smith, Mike Tittle
Liturgist	Sandy Pramer
Acolytes	Morgan Fleming and Micah Fleming
Organist	Carol Stewart

## Gospel Lesson – Luke 24: 44-53

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### The Ascension of Jesus

<sup>50</sup> Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup> And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup> and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

## Announcements

**ATTENTION ALL MEN:** The Men of Faith will meet on May 17th and all men are invited to join us. The meeting time will be 6:00 PM in rooms 16 A & B. Each person will bring his own meal and beverage. We will have a social time during the meal. The program will be a presentation from Xenia “Fish” Food Pantry and their plans for the year. There will be a short business session followed by the program.

**LIFE LINE SCREENING:** The Life Line Screening will be here at Faith Community United Methodist Church on Monday, May 17, 2021 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Please refer to the attached flyer to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease. Three ways to register: Call toll-free: 866-229-0469, Text: the word circle to 797979, or Online: [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle).

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**COMING SOON!:** Order forms for Father's Day Carnations will be available soon. Watch this space and the June Faith Links.

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“Fulfilling the Promise”  
Scripture Lesson

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Acts 2: 1-21

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