

**An Order for the Worship of God**  
May 16, 2021 Ascension of the Lord

Ringling of the Bells  
Welcome & Announcements  
Candle Lighting and Prelude

\*Please stand, if able

\* Call to Worship: (Liturgist – Congregation)

God has gone up with a shout!

**Let us sing loud songs of joy! Sing praises to God!**

Christ has been carried up to heaven!

**Let us sound the trumpet! Bless God in the holy temple!**

Come Holy Spirit!

**Come, Lord Jesus! Just as you ascended in the cloud, come again  
to receive your holy people!**

\*Opening Hymn: #58 v. 1-3 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Steadfast God, you keep your covenant in spite of our sin. You  
keep promises, even in the face of death. You keep the outcast  
close by you and lift up your rejected Son to rule at your side. May  
we learn and grow to be as faithful as Christ was obedient, as loyal  
as the Spirit is true, as holy as your love that fills your whole  
creation. Our Father... (debts/debtors)**

Call to Confession

Moment of Confession

**Lord Most High, you set the times and seasons for everything. Yet  
we must confess how impatient we are. Calm our troubled hearts,  
which cause us to sin. Steady our spirits with your powerful peace.  
Forgive our sullied souls and breathe new life into us with your  
Holy Spirit.**

Words of Assurance

**God calls us to hope and does not do so without purpose. God uses  
the greatness of the power of the Holy Spirit on our behalf. God  
does many things for us and continues to do great things for us.**

**This is so we have the hope of life without sin. In Christ his Son we  
are a forgiven people.**

New Testament Reading: Acts 1:1-11

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Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

\*Gloria Patri: #558 (Pilgrim)

Gospel Reading: LUKE 24 :44-53

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: May the reading and the hearing of Your word inform  
our minds, comfort our souls and guide our feet.**

Sermon

\*Responsive Hymn: #155 Christ, whose Glory Fills the Skies

Congregational Prayer

Call for the Offering:

**Doxology #562 Pilgrim**

\*Offering Prayer:

**Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day  
you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in  
Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and  
to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord. Amen**

\*Closing Hymn: #578 Sent Forth by God's Blessings

\*Benediction

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ.  
Amen.**

\*Extinguishing the Candles

Postlude

### Worship Leaders

Senior Minister  
Liturgist  
Director of Music  
Sunday School Director

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Kathy Stowers  
Sue Laubenheimer  
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THIS WEEKS BULLETINS ARE IN HONOR OF BOB  
LAUBENHEIMER'S BIRTHDAY.



# ST. JACOBI CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



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We are happy you are here!

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