

Morning Worship

May 29, 2022, 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: The Ascension of Jesus

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Sortie on National Hymn" Lani Smith

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Lynn Abbott

*Call to Worship (Responsively) Psalm 47 Leader

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: **For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.**

Leader: He subdued peoples under us and nations under our feet.

People: **He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. Selah**

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

People: **Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

Leader: For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.

People: **God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.**

*Opening Hymn "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise" UMH #312
(v. 1, 3, 4)

*Opening Prayer (Unison) Leader
Lord Jesus, we thank you for this day of worship. We come to be in fellowship with each other - and with you. We want to believe in our hearts what you told the disciples that *"everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."* In the same way, Lord, open our minds to understand the Scriptures. Allow this time of worship to make us know you - and love you - even more. We pray this all in your name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM "Peace Be Still"

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:44–53 (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Lesson: Acts 1:1–11 (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon "Going Up?" Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Hymn of Response "I'll Fly Away" TFWS #2282

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

*Doxology & The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Holy God, you have blessed us all so richly. You've empowered us with your very self when you promised us that *"you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you."* Let us use these gifts to truly be your witnesses in Monroe, in Connecticut, and to the ends of the earth. Please bless our offerings today to power your Church so that the whole world will be "looking up" in anticipation of your return. Until then, use these gifts - and our lives - to let Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

***Sending Hymn** “Battle Hymn of the Republic” UMH #717
(v. 1, 2, 4)

***Benediction**

***Benediction Resp.** "You Alone Are Holy" TFWS #2077

Coffee Hour Host: Thanks to Gail Mas!!

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for
Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship
Next up: [John 14:8-17 \(25-27\)](#)



[Zoom Link](#)
(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

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“Growing in the Body of Christ”