

MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



of AFTON



Welcome

Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
whose steadfast love is everlasting from generation to generation,
Whose grace finds us and welcomes us in wherever we are,
Whose power is gifted to our spirits so we may share God's love with others.
Come and worship this Living, surprising, and gracious God together.

Opening Music *In Christ There Is no East or West* ELW # 650

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.. *O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and then took his place at your right hand, ascending to heaven yet making his home in us. Unite us with Christ and unite us with each other in suffering and in joy, so that all the world may be drawn into your welcoming presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Scripture Reading, Acts 1: 6-14

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" **7** He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. **8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." **9** When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. **10** While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. **11** They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. **13** When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. **14** All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Scripture reading: 1 Peter 4: 12-14, 5: 6-11

12 Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. **13** But rejoice insofar as you are

sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. **14** If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

5 **6** Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. **7** Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. **8** Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. **9** Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. **10** And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. **11** To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Children's Sermon & Graduation Tribute

Haakon Bjork & Abby Lee

Gospel Reading, John 17: 1-11

1 After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, **2** since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. **3** And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. **4** I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. **5** So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

6 "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. **7** Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; **8** for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. **9** I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. **10** All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. **11** And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Sermon

Pastor Elizabeth Damico-Carper

Hymn

Shelter Me

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Offering

Prayer for when we are Apart

Lord's Prayer

Benediction & Sending

Dismissal