

Worship Service

May 21st, 2017

*Worship Song Together with Band
Opening Prayer Presider
Bible Reading Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-11..... Haroon Wilson
Prayer Samuel Lebbie
Announcement Angelito Garcia

Offering Prayer Presider
Offering Together

Special Song Worship Band
Message **The Resurrection, and then What?**
..... Kurt Schwartz

Prayer of Blessing Presider

Today's Sermon Outline **The Resurrection, and then What?**

Luke 24:50-53
Acts 1:9-11

A. What is the ascension (or: what happened, and where)?

1. What happened? (See Luke 24:50-53 and Acts 1:9-11)
2. The ascension happened at a real place, before real witnesses. Jesus' feet were standing on a spot of ground, and then...they were not (he went up; he was hidden by a cloud; he will come back in the same way: all of these facts tell us that the ascension is not a myth, an idea, or a dream. It's real).

B. What does the ascension mean for us today?

1. When Jesus ascended, He went to a real place. The Bible calls this place Heaven or Paradise. It is not just a state of mind, wishful thinking, a vain or vague hope, or a wistful dream. We do not know exactly where Heaven is, but we do know that it is a real place—in fact, even more real than the world we currently inhabit.

2. When Jesus ascended, He began his journey toward the completion His goal and his ultimate glorification and exaltation. His time of humiliation on earth ended and He returned to the glory He shared with His Heavenly Father before He came.
3. Jesus' ascension brought great sorrow at first to the apostles—but this shows how we can trust God even with the unknowns of life. The apostles had no idea that Jesus' leaving them physically meant that He would send the Holy Spirit to dwell within them—that they would have even more intimacy with Jesus now that He was absent physically.
4. Jesus is now seated at the right hand of God the Father, where He intercedes for His people. There, He reigns victorious, and all that follow Him will be victorious too. He has all authority, and is in complete control.
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Application Questions

1. When Jesus ascended, did He disappear, or did He go Somewhere?
2. Where did Jesus go when He ascended?
3. Where is Jesus now?
4. What difference does this make for you today?

Announcements

Welcome New Comers and Visitors

We welcome all new comers and visitors to our worship service today. Please join us for our lunch fellowship which will be held in the fellowship hall right after the service.

Lunch Preparation

This week – Filipino Group

Next week – Pakistani and Korean Group

*Today’s fellowship cleaning turn is African, American and European Group (Leader- Samuel Lebbie)

Prayer Request and Church News

*For traveling mercies- Jovie Dumlao is visiting her daughter and relatives in the Philippines.

* For healing- Rosalia Narvaez (cancer)

* College and high school group- there will be Bible study and fellowship meeting for college and high school students at the time of lunch fellowship in room 112. All college students and high school students are encouraged to participate in the meeting. Teacher – Haroon Wilson (224-392-6157)

Groups for Fellowship Hall Cleaning on Sundays (May)

Date	Group	Leader
April 30 th	Spanish group	Analís Gomez Garcia
May 7 th	Asian group 1 (Filipino)	Lyle Atonson
May 14 th	Asian group 2 (Pakistan & Korean)	Haroon Wilson
May 21st	African, American, European	Samuel Lebbie
May 28 th	College and Youth group	Moses Sanchez

Ushers of the Month

Offering Ushers	Charles Gaines, Martha Velasquez, Lina Morillo, Lyle Atonson
Welcome Ushers	Haroon & Anayza Wilson, Analís Gomez, Rosanna Bokhari

Last Week’s Offering

Tithe	Lyle & Lynníe Atonson//Tony & Rosanna Bokhari//Eryn Corachea//Charles Gaines//Angelito P. Garcia//Lydia Hong//Lina & Ender Carvajal Morillo//Robert Bob Stewarts//Maria Marta Velasquez
Lord’s Day	Erlinda Alberto//John Alegre//John & Branda Ayettey//Angelina Barrera//Erlyn Balano//Timothy Hong//Samuel Lebbie//Andrea Martin//Rosalia Navaez//Andrea & Lucia Pascual//Reyna Rosales//Bethsaida & Jada Rodriguez//Valeria Agelvis//Jannete Luna
Thanksgiving	Erlyn Balano//Tony & Rosanna Bokhari//Byung, Sung & Brian Cheon//Charles Gaines//Elizabeth Pumah//Tarmirall Ashley//Blanka Guerra//As Maanz//Tamara Clark
Mission	Angelito P. Garcia//Robert Bob Stewarts

Weekly Bible Reading Chart

Day/date	Old Testament	Check	New Testament	Check
Mon 5-22-17	1 Chronicles 13-16		Acts 5:1-11	
Tues 5-23-17	1 Chronicles 17-20		Acts 5:12-42	
Wed 5-24-17	1 Chronicles 21-29		Acts 6	
Thurs 5-25-17	2 Chronicles 1-4		Acts 7	
Fri 5-26-17	2 Chronicles 5-7		Acts 8	
Sat 5-27-17	2 Chronicles 8-11		Acts 9:1-31	
Sun 5-28-17	2 Chronicles 12-14		Acts 9:32-43	

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<p><u>Worship Services:</u> Sunday 11:30 AM</p> <p><u>Prayer Services</u> Sundays 9:30 AM - Room 106 Friday 8:00 PM</p> <p><u>Bible Study</u> Shepherd Group – Wednesday 7:45 PM Saturday 10:30 AM</p> <p><u>Cell Groups</u> Friday according to arrangement of each cell</p>	<p><u>College Student Ministry</u> Bible study – Church, Sunday 1:30 PM Campus group- Truman, Friday 1:00 PM</p> <p><u>Youth Ministry</u> Sunday – 1:30 PM</p> <p><u>Children’s Ministry</u> Sunday school- Sunday 11:30 AM</p> <p><u>ESF Band Practice</u> Sunday 9:30 AM & 1:30 PM</p>
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Missionaries

Eva Sanchez – Campus ministry in Peru
 Miguelina Martinez- Campus ministry in Dominican Republic
 Suri Kumar – Campus ministry and Hindu ministry in India
 Jordan Custorio – Campus ministry in the Philippines
 Richard Shaffer – Campus ministry in USA
 Paul Uzoma –Campus ministry in Benin, Africa
 Rahab Lee – Campus ministry in Asia
 Chan Park – Church planting ministry in Croatia, Europe
 Jung H. Suh – Campus ministry in Iowa, USA
 Hae Taek Kown – Campus ministry in New York, USA

Ministers and Staff

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 Youth Ministry – Kurt Schwartz (224-522-9098)