

September 12, 2021  
10:30 AM

The  
**ONE**  
Ascension  
Acts 1:1-11



We don't often think about the ascension, especially in relation to our redemption. Today we see the ascension is an integral part of our redemption in the intercession and giving of the Holy Spirit. It's hugely important in the story of redemption!

### Call to Worship

*Psalm 100*

### Songs of Praise

*Graves Into Gardens*  
*How Great Is Your Love*

### Announcements and Offering

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*Please prayerfully consider an online offering*

### Confession of Faith

*Confession from Book of Common Prayer*

*Merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the*

schemes and desires of our own hearts, and have broken your laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us; restore those who repent, according to the promises declared to us through your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant, merciful Father, for his sake, that from now on, we may live godly and obedient lives, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

*For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21)*

## **Song of Declaration**

*Make Room*

## **Sermon - The ONE Ascension**

Sermon Scripture - [Acts 1:1-11](#)

### **Jesus Reigns**

- What did the apostles believe Jesus was going to do?
  - [Acts 1:6](#)
- What do we learn in [Hebrews 1:3](#)?
  - [John 1:1](#)
- What two functions is Jesus accomplishing currently at the right hand of God?
  - [Hebrews 7:25](#)

### **Jesus Is Present**

- Why did Jesus say it was better for him to ascend to the Father rather than stay on earth?
  - [Acts 1:8](#)
  - [John 16:7](#)
- What does [Titus 3:4-7](#) teach us?
  - *"God effects a change which is radical and all pervasive, a change which cannot be explained in terms of any combination, permutation, or accumulation of human resources, a change which is nothing less than a new creation by him who calls the things that be not as though they were, who spoke and it was done, who commanded and it stood fast." - John Murray*
- What role does each person of the trinity play in our redemption?

### **Jesus Is At Work**

- How do we know the mission Jesus sets the apostles (and us) is important?

- What does Paul teach in [1 Corinthians 12:4-7](#)?
- What is our role in redemption?

## Song of Response

*Who You Say I Am*

## Benediction

1. How does our theology affect the way we view the world around us?
2. What do most people believe about Jesus today? What would they say his current role is in the world?
3. How should Jesus interceding for us change the way we view prayer?
4. Read [1 Corinthians 12:4-7](#). What gifts are listed? How can you serve the body of Christ today?
5. What is the role of the Holy Spirit?
6. What does it mean when Jesus says we will be his witnesses ([Acts 1:8](#))?