

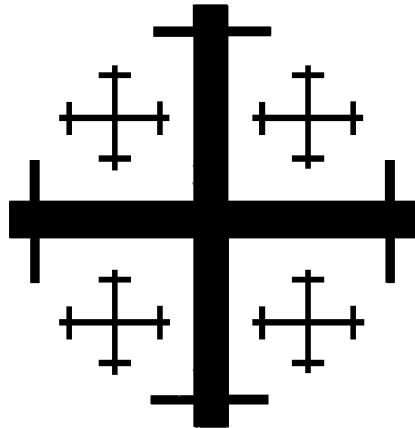
FEAST OF OUR LORD'S ASCENSION

May 10, 2026

9:30 a.m.



The Liturgy at Calvary



In today's gospel the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses throughout the earth.

The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus; we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast.

We too long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission.

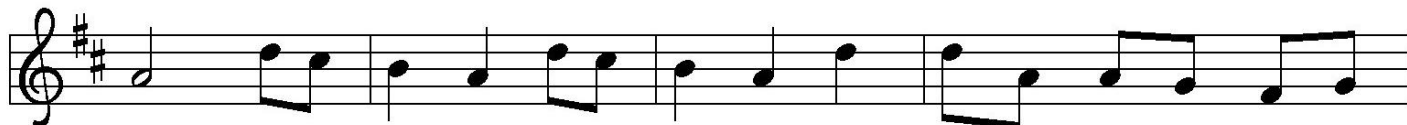
Prelude *Claire de Lune* Claude Debussy 1862-1918

Please stand and face the Baptismal font

Processional *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!* (ELW 393)



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives
 3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the
 4 "You see him now, as - cend - ing high up to the por - tals of the
 5 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
 stand, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! and with his faith - ful fol - l'wers
 sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" thus they
 sky." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall
 cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.
 see their Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty.
 say, "this is his glo - rious tri - umph day!" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Bede, 673–735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
 Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Kyrie Eleison Greek, "Lord, Have Mercy"

All

Musical notation for the first 'All' section. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' and chord markings Cmi, G, Cmi, Fm, G. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' and chord markings Cmi, Fm, G7, Cmi, Ab 3, Cmi.

Cantor

Musical notation for the Cantor section. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics 'For peace in the world, for the health of the church for the un - i - ty of all'. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics 'for this ho - ly house for all who wor-ship and praise. let us pray to the Lord:'.

All

Musical notation for the second 'All' section. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' and chord markings Cmi, G, Cmi, Fm, G. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' and chord markings Cmi, Fm, G7, Cmi, Ab 3, Cmi.

Cantor

Musical notation for the second Cantor section. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics 'For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for Spir - it kind-led love'. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics 'for our life in Christ, which fills us with joy, let us pray to the Lord:'.

All

Musical notation for the third 'All' section. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' and chord markings Cmi, G, Cmi, Fm, G. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' and chord markings Cmi, Fm, G7, Cmi, Ab 3, Cmi.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1. Wor - thy is Chirst, the Lamb who was slain whose

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

2. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er, A - men. *Refrain*

3. For the Lamb who was slain has be -
 gun his reign, Al - le - lu - - ia.
 This is the feast - of vic-to - ry for our God. Al - le
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 This is the feast - of vic-to - ry for our God. Al - le -
 lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia.

Please bring Teddy Bears to the altar

Prayer of Blessing

First Lesson Acts 1:1-11

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But 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." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They 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."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Second Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Alleluia, Verse/Gospel Acclamations

Hal - le hal - le hal - le lu - jah!

Hal - le hal - le hal - le lu - - jah!

hal - le hal - le ha - le lu - -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Verse (Sung by Choir) Let the Holy Spirit be upon you as you witness to all the earth.

Hal - le hal - le hal - le lu - jah!

Hal - le hal - le hal - le lu - - jah!

hal - le hal - le ha - le lu - -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24th chapter

C Glory to you O Lord

⁴⁴[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

P The Gospel of our Lord

C Praise to you O Christ

Sermon *Janelle Miller, Director of Youth & Family Ministry*

Silent Reflection

Hymn of the Day

Do Not Stand and Stare in Wonder

Ascension Hymn

Text: Adam Michael Wood

Tune: THAXTED. Gustav Holst



1. Do not stand and stare in wonder in- to the sky a-
2. On His throne in high-est Heav - en our Sa - vior takes His
3. All you ser - vants of the Most_ High now sing and clap our



bove, You have seen the wond-rous glo-ry of the ris- en Lord of
place, Now and al - ways on the Mer-cy Seat, the source of end - less
hands, For the Lord that once was cru - ci - fied is Prince of all teh



Love. And just as you have seen him a - scend un - to the
grace. Though not on - ly there we seek Him; ne - ver far from us is
Lands. Sound the trum - pet, sing to - geth - er as our Sav - ior takes His



skies, So shall the liv - ing Sav - ior re - turn be - fore your
He. We know the Lord is with us, if we have faith to
throne. And hear the voice that calls us a peo - ple of His



eyes. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! We praise our God and
see. Nei - ther sta - ring up in won - der nor hid - ing like the
own, Al - le - lu - ia! to the Fath - er and to His on - ly



King! Al - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia! your peo - ple ev - er sing!
dead, We will find Him here to - geth - er in break - ing of the bread.
Son, Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spir - it the Eter - nal Three in One!

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Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Instrumental Intro

In the si - lence Lord, Hear our prayer.
In the still - ness Lord, Hear our prayer.
Our spo - ken words, our si - lent thoughts:
these we hum - bly share.
In this mo - ment Lord, Hear our prayer.

after each petition

A Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**

concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord **C Amen**

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**



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Use smart phone camera; click link



Offertory

Come Away to the Skies The Southern Harmony 1835 **Setting by James Laster 2002 Sanctuary Choir**

Come away to the skies, my beloved, arise, and rejoice in the day thou wast born. On this festival day, come exulting away, and with singing to Zion return.

Now with singing and praise, let us spend all the days by our heavenly Father bestowed. While His grace we receive from His bounty, and live to the honor and glory of God.

For this glory we were first created to share both the nature and kingdom divine! Now created again that our lives may remain, throughout time and eternity thine.

We with thanks do approve to design of that love which hath joined us to Jesus' name; So united in heart, let us nevermore part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.

Hallelujah we sing to our Father and King and His rapturous praises repeat: To the Lamb that was slain, hallelujah again sing all heaven, and fall at His feet.

Hallelujah, we sing!

Please stand as our gifts are offered singing,

We lift our voices. We lift our hearts, we lift our
 lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices. Lord, use our
 hearts. Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.
 All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we
 give to you, we give to you.
 We lift our voices we lift our hearts, we lift our
 lives up to you: we are an offering. We are an offering.

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across bar lines. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The music is simple, using quarter and eighth notes with slurs.

P It is indeed right and our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,

Who enthroned forever at your right hand intercedes for us as our great high priest

And so,
with Mary Magdalene, and Peter
and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus *Latin, "Holy & Blessed"*

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er - more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Chords: Dm, Gm, C7, Fmaj7, Bb, A(sus4), A7, Dm, Gm, C7, Fmaj7, Bb, Gm, A(sus4), A7, Dm, Gm, C7, Fmaj7, Bb, Gm, A7, Dm.

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro - claim your death, Lord; we cel - e - brate your ris - ing; we
break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

Chords: C, G7, Am, F, G7, C, F, G7, C.

P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

C Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

P Body of Christ given for you.
Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei *Latin, "Lamb Of God"*

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

have mer - cy up - on us, — have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:

Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.



HOLY COMMUNION

In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to commune each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing: "Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

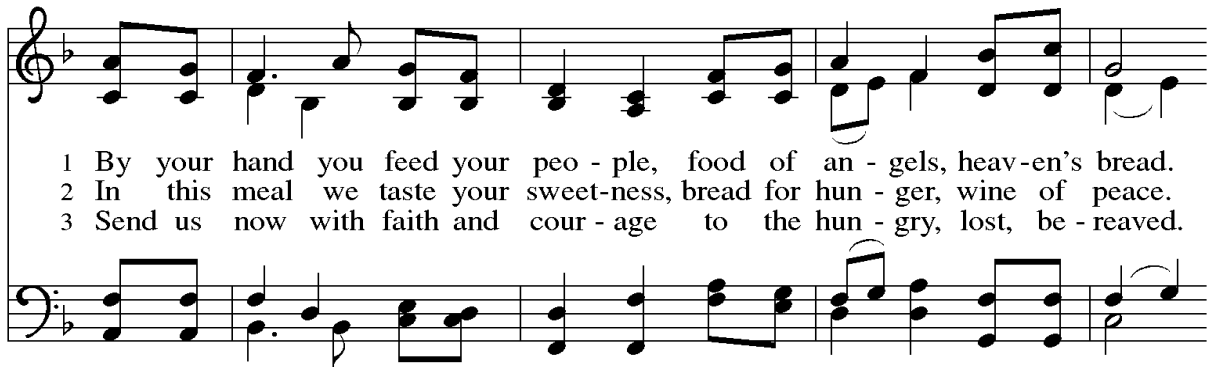
One or more of the following songs may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

Jesus, Name Above All Names (TFF 268)

Je- sus, name a- bove all names, beau- ti- ful
Sav- ior, glo- ri- ous
Lord, Em - man- u- el, God is
with us, bless- ed Re- deem- er, liv- ing Word.

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By Your Hand We Feed Your People (ELW 469)

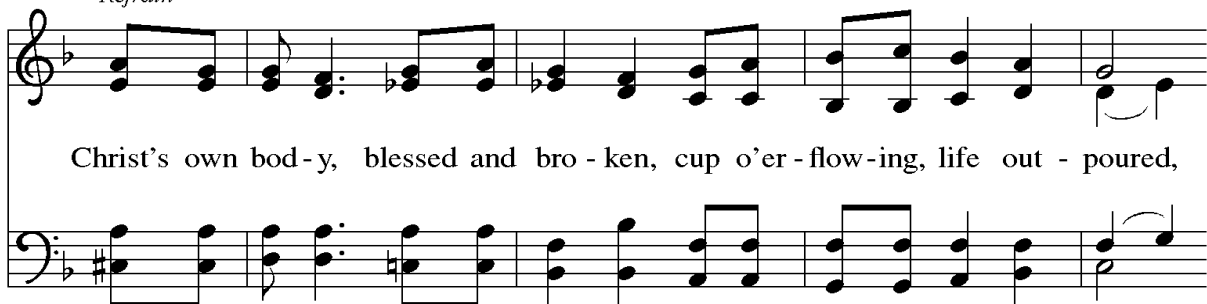


1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.



For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

Refrain



Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952
Music: CAMROSE, Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C **Amen**

Post Communion Canticle

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the
Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the
Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

And now, let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for_ us. And
now, let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for_ us, Give thanks!

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has two staves: a vocal line and a guitar accompaniment line. The lyrics are placed between the staves. Chords are indicated above the guitar staff. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system ends with a double bar line.

A Let us pray... Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

C **Amen**

P The Benediction ✠

C **Amen.**

Sending **Go My Children (ELW 543)**



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.
 Music: Welsh traditional
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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!
C **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude *Hymn to Joy* Ludwig von Beethoven (1770-1827)
 setting by Charles Callahan (1951-2023)**

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Commemorations This Week

Matthias, Apostle

Thursday, May 14, 2026

Matthias was the apostle added to the Twelve after Jesus' resurrection, as a replacement for the dead Judas Iscariot. He had traveled among the followers of Jesus throughout the Lord's ministry. Formerly commemorated on February 24, Matthias's celebration is moved to May 14 in agreement with most Western calendars.

Erik, King of Sweden, martyr, died 1160

Monday, May 18, 2026

Erik is considered the patron saint of Sweden. As king of that nation, he tried to bring peace in the region, and to spread Christianity in Scandinavia. He was also known for his attempts to make fair laws and to protect those who were poor or sick.

Helena, mother of Constantine, died around 330

Thursday, May 21, 2026

Influenced by her son to become Christian, Helena (or Helen) lived an exemplary life of faith. She is also remembered for traveling through Palestine building churches on the sites she believed to be associated with Christ's life.
