

Willow Springs Sunday Worship 9:30 am, Ascension Sunday, May 29, 2022

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Welcome and Call to Worship, Voices Together (purple) VT# 880

Prayer - Voices Together #886

Songs

Children's time

Scripture Acts 1:1-14

Sermon Why This Looking Up?

Songs

Sharing/Pastoral prayer

After prayer times *"Lord, in your mercy"* respond with *"hear our prayer."*

Offering Song

Announcements –

Tomorrow - May 30, Rally Day at Menno Haven.

June 5 Pentecost Sunday.

June 5-9 Tiskilwa Community VBS.

Sending VT# 902

Online giving option: <https://tinyurl.com/donateWSMC>

Acts 1:1-14 Jesus Taken Up Into Heaven

1 In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach
2 until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy
Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. 3 After his suffering, he presented himself to them
and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period
of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. 4 On one occasion, while he was
eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for
the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. 5 For John baptized
with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to
restore the kingdom to Israel?"

7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

9 After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

10 They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. 11 "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

12 Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. 13 When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. 14 They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

As of Sunday, May 15, masks are strongly encouraged but no longer required in our building. If you are one who can wear a mask without much difficulty, you are encouraged to continue to wear one. As always, if you have Covid-like symptoms, please stay home and join by Zoom.

Thank you for abiding by our previous guidelines! We rejoice that, to our knowledge, no Covid cases have been transmitted at our worship services. We desire that it remain that way. Above all, let us show our love and respect for one another in what is still a difficult time.