## Ascension Day



The word "ascension" means "going up". We are told in the Bible, Jesus ascended to heaven. This was seen by his apostles. The Ascension is celebrated forty days after his resurrection. The story tells that Jesus' body went to heaven and that in heaven he sits at the right-hand side of God the Father.

Prayer



God our Father,
make us joyful
in the ascension of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we follow him into the new creation,
for his ascension is our glory and our hope.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Scripture

## Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshipped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

